

# Cross Plains Review

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THURSDAY, September 21, 2006



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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** My dear friend Sid Newton called me last Friday and we were chatting about Homecoming. I enjoy Sid's frequent calls as it brings back good memories.

If you didn't know, Sid has his doctorate in theology and has been a pastor for over 30 years.

You'll recognize many of the names he mentions. **Vanda Anderson**

#### "Taking the Trip Home"

By Sid Newton

In 1956, my two brothers and I moved to Cross Cut, Texas, with Lowell and Clairene Newton. The Newtons were adopting Tommy, Bobby and Sid.

I started my third year of school at Cross Plains. What a tremendous impact this school was to have on my life! I can say the same for Cross Plains, the wonderful community.

One of the best things about attending school in Cross Plains was that I got to ride the bus! (If my punctuation is bad in this article, please forgive me. I didn't listen as well as I should to Mrs. Bunnell.)

Except for Mr. Albert Lovell, I think at times I was the first one on the bus in the morning, but the return afternoon trip was wonderful. The bus made many stops and my friends would exit.

I believe the first stop was Janie, (I can't remember her last name at the moment) and Richard Latson. Shortly thereafter Latrelle and Mike Bright and Mickey and Jim Freeman exited. At one point young people named Tension left the bus.

As we turned off the highway we rode through the countryside letting riders off— Donna Garlitz Claudia and Gale Arnold.

A short time later the Meltons and then Larry Smith and his sister, Liz, left. Down the road Keith Watkins got off and the bus was back on the highway.

Joe Holland, Kenneth and Stuart Sowell left us and then I believe O.B. Byrd, Jr. On down the road we traveled letting off other friends. I remember Gwen Hollingshead, Glenn Phillips, Jimmy Van Story, Danny and Lanny Kellar were on one part of the route.

The grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Pickett departed and we had a short ride before Charles and Catheryn Ohlhausen and Tommy Adams left us. I believe there was a young lady whose last name was Gregg who also rode the bus.

Of course, Eric and Allen Lovell were riders. I got to go to their house after school one day for a reason I've forgotten. I was blessed to meet Mrs. Lovell.

Mr. Lovell had great patience. He could be stern, but he was also quite nice. I must have caused him difficulty, because I loved to sing and I would start singing not too long after the bus ride started. Although I wasn't singing really loudly, it probably seemed louder, and many of those I've named would sing with me.

Everyday on the bus was a special joy, a joy that I'll never forget. If I've forgotten anyone, please forgive me. My memory isn't what it used to be, and it was never great!

Please know that I love all of you, co-riders, friends and all you dear fantastic folks of Cross Plains. You are special; you are precious!

## Cottonwood School Reunion Scheduled for Saturday, September 23rd—Be There!

The Cottonwood School Reunion will be held Saturday, September 23, at the Cottonwood Community Center. The doors will open at 6:00 p.m.

Drinks will be furnished. Everyone is requested to bring snack foods.

If you have old photos when you

attended the Cottonwood School, please bring them and share your memories with others. A copy machine will be available and everyone can make copies as they desire.

All ex-students and ex-teachers are encouraged to attend.

## Cross Plains Public Library Open for Homecoming

The Cross Plains Public Library will be open this Saturday from 10:00-5:00 as a place for folks to relax with a cup of coffee, a cookie and a table of old school annuals to peruse. Non-graduate spouses who might not be interested in specific class meetings, etc. are encouraged to stop by the newly remodeled facility and check out the old

pictures. Thus, you can laugh in private at how "cute" or "quaint" you spouse or parents once looked.

Folks who have not been "home" for the past few years will be surprised at the new look in the library and at the progress being made on the annex next door.

We look forward to visiting with you.

## Community Cancer Prayer Walk Update Call in Loved One's Names to be Honored

Our Cancer Walk is still in the planning stages and we still need everyone's help and input. A team of organizers met on Saturday, September 16th, and gave an update on things planned so far. But we are in need of committed people to provide Food Booths. So far we only have two or three booths. We still need names of people with cancer, cancer survivors, and names of loved ones who died of cancer.

Please call the following people to sign up to help this project get off the ground: Lindy Cooper - Food Booths- 254-725-6770; Gene Dillard-Entertainment-254-725-6552; and Kathy Purvis - Program - 254-725-6219.

The next meeting is planned for Tuesday, September 26, at the First Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

See You There!

## City of Cross Plains Receives TCEQ Public Drinking Water Recognition Award

The Public Drinking Water Section, Water Supply Division of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality recently implemented a program to recognize public water systems (PWS) for the effort, dedication and contribution they have made to the state and to protecting the public health of Texas citizens. Currently, they are recognizing PWS for the outstanding performance they demonstrated for calendar year 2005.

Six individual recognition categories are available for each PWS listed in the TCEQ Water Utilities Database: Small Water Systems Security Program, Substantial Source Water Protection Program Implementation, Optimization Program, Total Coliform Rule Program

(TCRP), Innovative or Proactive System, and Outstanding Public Drinking Water System. Each nominated water system was evaluated for specific category criteria.

The purpose of the award was to recognize those water systems showing initiative to exceed minimum acceptable TCEQ standards; focus public attention on importance of water system enhancement activities; serve as an example to other water systems; and recognize those water systems that have voluntarily taken the extra steps to protect their public drinking water.

A certificate for Total Coliform Rule Program Award 2005 was presented to the City of Cross Plains.

JV and Junior High vs. Evant	Varsity vs. Evant
September 21, 2006	September 23, 2006
5:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
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CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL 2006 HOMECOMING QUEEN NOMINEES—Senior Karen Scott (from left), daughter of Liz Scott and Ronnie and Bonnie Scott; Junior Hailey Biggs, daughter of Charlotte and Robert Lee and the late Delbert Biggs; Sophomore Terrah Augustine, daughter of James and Angie Ames; and Freshman Shasta Bacon, daughter of Jeff and Debbie Bacon.

## Homecoming 2006 Has Arrived— Don't Miss It!!

By Vanda Anderson  
Editor

The Cross Plains Ex-Student Association invites you to join them at Homecoming 2006. Activities will begin Friday, September 22nd at 7:30 p.m. with the Pep Rally at the Buffalo Stadium. The 50's and 60's Gathering will follow at the Treadway Park. All ages are invited.

Saturday will kick-off with coffee and registration at the high school library from 9 to 11 a.m. A business meeting will begin at 11 a.m. in the auditorium. Classes will be seated by decades.

Coming Home King and Queen Nominees will be presented and voted on. Votes will be counted during the meeting and the 2006 Coming Home King and Queen will be announced. They will be

honored during the Parade and at 5:25 p.m. prior to the football game.

Remember Texas Heritage Bank will be offering free sodas and floats at Mozelle's on Main Street from 10 a.m. to noon.

The Band Boosters will sponsor a lunch in the cafeteria at 11:30 a.m.

The Parade downtown will commence at 2 p.m. The procession will begin at the school, travel down Main Street, north on Avenue D and end at the school.

Bicycles, 3 and 4 wheelers and motorcycles will line up between the junior and high school buildings— look for Dannes Turner, Tommy Ames and Lindy Cooper. Parents of children on bicycles may pick them up at the lot north of Dollar General. Judges will be Randy Turner

and Angelo Taylor, KTAB personalities. Judging will begin at 1 p.m., you must be there to be judged.

Individual classes will meet at 3:30 p.m. in designated places (see Page 5).

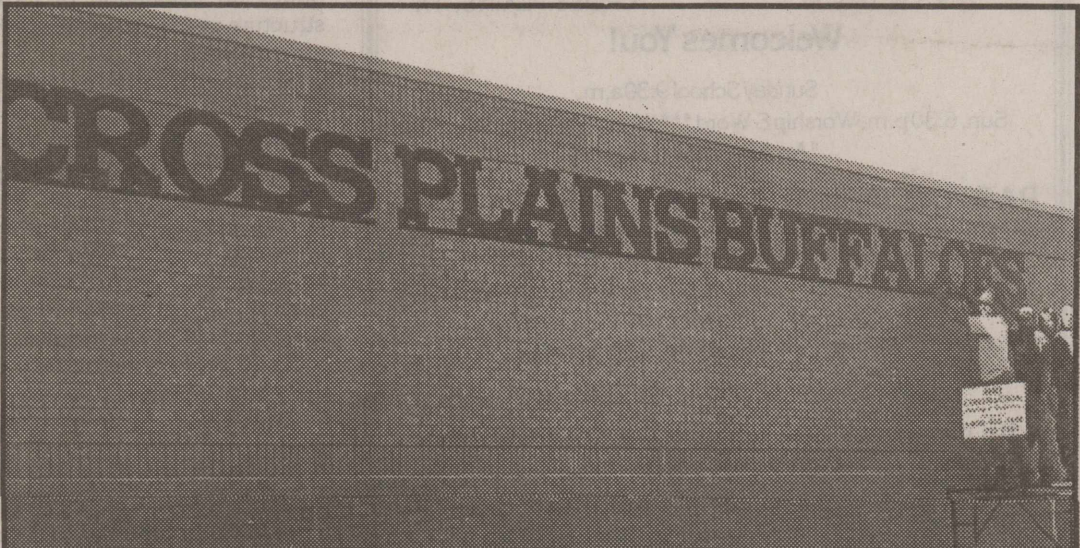
The football game will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the Buffaloes challenging the Evant Elks.

Homecoming Queen Nominees will be presented at halftime and the 2006 Homecoming Queen will be announced.

After Game Coffee will be hosted at 8 p.m. in the high school library.

A dance will begin at 9 p.m. behind Treadway Park (weather permitting).

Former basketball coach Bill Boyd said, "The Cross Plains Homecoming is the best kept secret in Texas." Don't you agree?????



HAS ANYONE NOTICED THE NORTH SIDE OF THE GYM? CHECK IT OUT—Cross Plains Buffaloes is in 2 foot letters. The letters were built by Jason Bien; painted by Strength Paint and Body; paid for by Athletic Booster Club; and installed by Reed Construction. Keep looking—more will be added!

### Veteran Appreciation Ceremony

Guest Speaker:  
**Mary Scott Nabers**  
Saturday, September 23rd  
Immediately Following  
Parade  
All Veterans Will Be Honored

Ceremony will be held on the New Cross Plains Veterans Memorial Site. This will be the last opportunity to add names to the granite memorial. The ceremony will be brief, everyone is encouraged to attend and show your support to our Veterans and to those currently serving our country.

**Texas Heritage Bank**

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**Presents: "What's Inside"**

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**GRADUATE OF THE CLASS OF 1991**—Marine Staff Sergeant Johnny Herridge is now stationed in Iraq. He is the son of Donna Herridge of Cross Plains and the late Alton Herridge. Johnny graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1991.

## OBITUARY



Willard "Bill" Watson

### Willard "Bill" Watson

Willard "Bill" Watson, age 84, passed away Sunday, September 17, 2006 at Brownwood Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 20, 2006 at the Pioneer Pavilion with Charles Copeland officiating; burial will follow in the Pioneer Cemetery.

He was born in Halyke, MA on June 10, 1922 to Henry B. and Alice Graw-Watson. He married Jo Veda Fleming on June 24, 1956 in Cross Plains, Texas.

He is survived by his wife, Jo Veda of Brownwood; 2 sons, Alton Watson and his wife, Anetta of Fritch; Billy Watson and his wife, Leigh Ann of San Angelo; daughter, Julie and her husband, Rob Robinson of Henderson, NV; 5 grandchildren, Chris and Janice Robinson of Henderson, NV; Zack, BJ, Abby Watson of San Angelo. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

Memorials may be made to Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment in Brownwood, Texas; Pioneer Cemetery in Pioneer, Texas; Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in May, Texas.

### Robert L. 'Bob' Cross, Jr.

Funeral services for Robert L. "Bob" Cross Jr., 84, of Early, were held 2 p.m. Friday, September 15, 2006, at the Netherton Funeral Home Chapel. Interment followed at Burkett Cemetery.

He passed away Monday morning at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Bob was born September 2, 1922, in Coleman County, the son of the late Robert and Nettie (Strickland) Cross. He had been a resident of Brownwood for the past 29 years, and formerly lived in Houston and Austin. He was a retired law enforcement officer with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and a past president of the Early Lions Club. He married Maxine Rudloff on June 1, 1946, in Coleman, Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine Cross of Early; sister-in-law, Eunice Stevens of Cross Plains; nieces and nephews, Billie and Leroy Williams of Coleman, Roger "Texas and Caroline Stevens of Houston, Betty and Don Delman of Midlothian and Susie and Tony Barfknecht of Eden.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters.

### Eddie Faye Dillard

Eddie Faye Dillard, age 72, of Cross Plains passed away Tuesday, September 19, 2006 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral services are pending at Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

She was born February 21, 1934 to Marcus Elvin and Edna Valeria Rouse. She is the widow of Bobby Dillard.

## Neugebauer backs 'Secure Fence' legislation to strengthen border

WASHINGTON, DC—Congressman Randy Neugebauer backed legislation Thursday that takes an important step in securing America's borders.

The Secure Fence Act of 2006 (H.R. 6061), which passed the House by a vote of 283-138, will provide for over 700 miles of two-layered, reinforced fencing along the southwest border with prioritized placement at critical, highly populated areas, and requires an evaluation of infrastructure needs along the northern border.

"Secure borders are essential if we are going to have a secure America," Neugebauer said. "Our borders do not know the difference between those who are law-abiding and those who are trying to enter the country to cause harm. As a result, we must do all that we can to gain control of all of our borders in order to protect the citizens of the United States. A secure fence will help accomplish this goal."

Along the Texas portion of the border, the Secure Fence Act of 2006 calls for a barrier that extends five miles west of Columbus, N.M. port of entry to ten miles east of El Paso, Texas; a barrier that extends five miles

northwest and five miles southeast of Eagle Pass, Texas port of entry; and a barrier that extends fifteen miles northwest of the Laredo, Texas port of entry to the Brownsville, Texas port of entry.

Border fencing has proven to be an especially effective at securing U.S. borders. In 1996, Congress mandated the construction of a 14-mile fence along the San Diego-Mexico border. With the help of the fence, the number of apprehensions of illegal immigrants has dropped from approximately 200,000 in 1992 to about 9,000 in 2005.

The Secure Fence Act of 2006 also mandates that the Department of Homeland Security use advanced technology, such as ground sensors, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), and integrated surveillance technology.

Throughout the summer, the House Committee on Homeland Security held field hearings and site visits to determine what steps should be taken to secure America's borders. At the conclusion of these hearings, it was clear that there is a critical need for additional infrastructure to protect against individuals and vehicles from illegally crossing into the United States.

## COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
Roger Corn, Presiding

42nd DISTRICT COURT  
John Weeks, presiding

### Misdemeanor Filings

Joshua E. Ely, theft.  
Deon Ollison, attempted theft.  
Laci D. Smoot, harboring runaway child.  
Dale E. Chaffin, theft.  
Bryson C. Cannon, harboring runaway child.  
Billy Ray Floyd, harboring runaway child.

### Civil Filings

Tammy Lee Dowdy and David Wayland Dowdy, divorce.  
Jeremy Todd Mitchell and Jessica Nicole Mitchell, divorce.  
Jennifer Denise Hopper and Dustin Lynn Hopper, divorce.

### Civil Minutes

Wanda L. Lincecum and 1308 N. Ross Dr., Baird, Texas 79504, order granting application to foreclosure of home equity loan.

Melissa Dawn Briggs and David Samuel Briggs, divorce granted.

Kiley Rose Plecity Snow and Ronald Lawrence Snow, divorce granted.

Carmel Financial Corp. vs. Stacey M. Lee and Billy L. Lee, default judgment as to Stacey M. Lee only, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$3,224.41 from defendant.

Melissa Leigh Owens and Lee J. Owens, divorce granted.

Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N. A. successor in interest to Providian National Bank vs. Communities of Abilene FCU and Matthew T. Bibik, order of dismissal granted.

Ariel Financial Services vs. Linda Ledbetter aka Linda Gorbald Ledbetter, final default judgment granted, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$12,988.62 from defendant.

Citibank (South Dakota) N. A. vs. plaintiff to recover the sum of \$5,511.94 from defendant.

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Edward W. Campbell, affidavit of surety to surrender and issuance of warrant granted.

Jessica McGlassen, order discharging defendant from probation.

Melvin Cole, plea of guilty to driving while license invalid, 6 month probation, \$250 fine, \$243 court costs.

Gary L. Butman, judgment revoking probation granted.

Connie G. Pueschel, plea of guilty to theft by check, restitution paid, \$100 fine, \$200 court costs.

Melissa Gayle Thomas, motion to withdraw as surety granted.

Charles Calvin Zara, motion to reinstate bond granted.

Kyle Stewart, order granting substitution of counsel.

Robert Michael Sterling, motion to withdraw as surety granted.

Dustin Wells, motion for continuance granted.

Aden Alvarado, motion for continuance granted.

### Marriage Licenses

Russell B. Eoff and Jacquelynn R. Eoff, both of Clyde.

### Criminal Information & Complaint

Raymond Whitt, driving while intoxicated (DWI) - 3rd or more.

### Criminal Minutes

Anna F. Bender, order discharging defendant from probation (no deferred adjudication).

## Salt Kreek to Perform at Gospel Mission

The Blue Grass band, "Salt Kreek", led by Bill Burns will be performing Saturday, September 30th at 7:00 p.m. in Cross Plains at the Gospel Mission, located at 716 NE 1st Street.

Pastor Michael Ingram invites everyone to come and enjoy this fun time of great music!

## First United Methodist Church Celebrating 120 Years

The First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains will have our church's 120th year CELEBRATION on Sunday, October 1, 2006.

Our guest speaker will be Bishop Ben T. Chamness for the 10:45 Sunday morning worship service.

The celebration will take place at the First Presbyterian Church in Cross Plains where we have worshipped with their congregation since the December 27th wildfires.

Please come and help us CELEBRATE 120 YEARS OF WORSHIP AND SERVICE IN HIS NAME.

**IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE CALL 254-725-6111 116 S.E. 1ST STREET CROSS PLAINS, TX**

**PUBLIC FAX (254) 725-7225**

**PLEASE COME JOIN THE First United Methodist Church**

Worshipping with the  
First United Presbyterian Church  
200 Ave D & 2nd Street  
Sunday School 9:30AM  
Sunday Morning Worship 10:45AM  
Monday Prayer Group 9:00AM  
Church Office  
Men's Prayer Breakfast 6:30AM  
Thursday Jean's Feed Barn  
**Jim Senkel, Pastor**  
Church 254-725-7377 Cell 325-280-8480

**First Baptist Church**

**Sunday**  
9:45 am Bible Study 11 am Worship

**Sunday Evening**  
**September 17th**  
6 pm Hear Gospel Singer  
**Wes Adams**

Ronnie B. White, Pastor  
(254) 725-7629  
3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

### CROSS PLAINS COWBOY CHURCH

Pastor: **LEN SMITH**  
Join Us On  
Sunday Mornings At 10:30 a.m.  
16075 CR 459 Cross Plains, Texas  
For Information  
Call 254-725-6446 or 325-518-5514  
**COME AS YOU ARE!**

### Triple Cross Cowboy Church

Every Sunday at 10:30 am  
Services held at 21272 State Hwy 279, Cross Plains (CJS Ranch, on the left just past the 279/206 split)  
**Al Taylor, Preacher**  
Phone: 254-725-7522  
Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

### Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: **Dwaine Clower**  
254-725-7574  
Sunday School...10:00 am  
Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am  
Sunday Evening Worship...6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service...7:00 p.m.  
Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley 254-643-1977

### UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

209 S.W. Hwy 36 CROSS PLAINS, TX  
**Welcomes You!**  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Sun. 6:30 p.m. Worship & Word \*\*\* Wed. 7:00 p.m. Bible Study  
"An Apostolic Church"  
PASTOR, Phillip R. Schaefer (254) 725-7140

### Living Water Ministries Fellowship

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Sun 10 am \* Mon Prayer 7 pm \* Thurs 7 pm  
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### COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School.....9:45 A.M.  
Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.  
Evening Service.....6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00  
Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599  
Church (254) 725-6266  
Friendly Church Bible Teaching

### ROWDEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Hwy. 36 at Rowden - 12 Miles West of Cross Plains  
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M.  
Pastor: Carl Mauldin  
Come Worship With Us!

### NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.  
**Bill Armstrong - Pastor**

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**COTTONWOOD NEWS**

By Wallace Bennett

**Cottonwood School Homecoming**

All ex-students of Cottonwood Schools are asked to return for a brief reunion set for SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2006, at the Cottonwood Community Center. The time is 6:00 p.m. People should bring finger foods, chips and dips and other items.

This meeting is the third, I believe, for Cottonwood School exes and their descendents. It is planned at a time that supposedly does not conflict with any Cross Plains School homecoming events.

So if you ever attended a school in Cottonwood, or are a descendent of a Cottonwood graduate, please come home on that date.

A highlight of the Cross Plains homecoming will be a reunion of all former members of the High School Band, in a reprise of former days. They will join the current members of the band and play at the football game on Friday night.

At least two members of the very first band ever organized at Cross Plains High School will be on hand to participate in this event. Donnel Clark and Wallace Bennett are returning members of the original band and will play the baritone horn and tuba,

respectively.

I remember the day the band was organized. It was a day in mid-July in 1938 when my father came home at noon.

He walked down to the field where I was plowing and said, "Wallace, you need to take the team to the barn, feed them, and turn them out to pasture. You are going back to town with me."

I asked a question, "Oh, what's the occasion?"

He returned with an answer, "They are forming a high school band and I told them you would play the tuba."

I asked another question, "What's a tuba?"

"It is a base horn," he replied. We went to the city of Cross Plains and in an unused store front, were assembled all the friends of Cross Plains Schools I had not seen all summer. The din of tooting, beating and blowing on the instruments filled the air. I stood there somewhat mystified.

Donnel Clark, sat and cradled a baritone horn in his lap; Kathryn Anderson, stood behind a music stand with a little clarinet in her hands; and Dickey Hunnington, sat behind a set of snare drums, beating on the rims. Jimmie Taylor was standing behind the big base drum and Tom Arwood pushed and pulled the slide of a

trombone in and out.

Dale McCook, the recently hired band director, sat with all the cornet players showing them how to finger and blow middle "c".

My dad walked up to him and said, "Mr. McCook, here is your tuba player."

Mr. McCook looked up and said, "Good. That's your instrument standing in the corner. I looked and saw the biggest horn in the band, and thought "how will I ever carry that monster."

**Deadline For Recipes**

Terri Brown and Gilbert Ibera will be present at the Cottonwood Homecoming as a final effort to collect recipes and scan photos for the Cottonwood recipe and history book. This will be the last day to get your recipes and information about some of the family history into this book. Bring the recipes and information to the center or mail to Cottonwood Historical Association c/o of the address at end of this column.

(To report news or other items for this column, call Wallace Bennett at 254-725-7474, email [csb5@airmail.net](mailto:csb5@airmail.net); or mail to 11093 CR 440, Cross Plains, TX 76443.)

**LIBRARY NOTES**

Statistics  
September 11-15, 2006

**Honorariums:** Charles and Lou Rodenberger in honor of Vicki Dillard

**Donations:** Janet Swanson, Renee Dennis, Deverel and Nancy Harp, Chad and Kim Cunningham

**Donations-Books:** Arlene Stephenson, Charles and Lous Rodenberger, Deana Terstege

Library Activity Report  
September 11-15, 2006

Patron	57
Programs	29
Copies	9
Reference	2
Books Checked Out	45
Calls In	2
Internet Users	9

**SENIOR CITIZENS MENU**

**SEPTEMBER 25 - 29**  
**MONDAY** - Lima Beans, Beets & Onions, Tomatoes & Okra, Hominy Cass., Tapioca Pudding, Combread

**TUESDAY**- Smothered Chicken, Whipped Potatoes, Broccoli, Orange Half, Wheat Bread

**WEDNESDAY** - Mexican Cabbage, Blackeyed Peas, Yellow Squash, Fruited Gelatin, Jalapeno Combread

**THURSDAY**- Baked Fish, Macaroni & Cheese, Brussel Sprouts, Chocolate Cake, Roll

**FRIDAY** - Beef Vegetable Soup, Pimento Cheese Sandwich, Apricots, Oatmeal Cookie, Crackers

2nd & 4th Tue., Domino Night (42/84) Begins at 5:00 p.m.

**GARDEN TIPS**

By James Nichols

"Otis" says, It is that time of year to transplant bulbs that bloom in the spring. Till up your garden and apply plenty of mulch in preparation for a spring garden. Trim back all low hanging limbs that rub on the house and those that knock off your hat.



**QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS**

KAY MOSLEY

Comments: I got a hot rod Ford and a \$2.00 bill. I know a spot just over the hill. They got soda pop and dancing is free—come along with me.

"Not Here, Not There, Is it Everywhere?"

I almost feel as if we are having the changing of the guard at the Buckingham Palace. Actually, we are changing seasons, from summer to autumn or fall.

The wind has gone in a different direction swirling those crackling colorful leaves of gold, peach, apricot, orange and rust, old brick, scarlet, as well as red. Such a beautiful display of colors and shapes and all prepared by Mother Nature Herself: as if by magic for everyone to enjoy.

There are several things to remind us all of autumn, such as the sights, the sounds, the smells, the weather and several other signs.

The smells are such as wood smoke from fireplaces and bonfires and apples and pumpkin pies roasting in the oven.

Some autumn sights are the long

awaited football games, trees losing their leaves, birds starting to migrate, and don't forget the time change!

Also there are the signs of autumn that incudes just one good breath of that first little cold snap. Then there is the gorgeous array of colors of those beautiful chrysanthemums! Other signs are the bands playing and marching; cheerleaders cheering; twirling majorettes all led by the svelte major dom!

Other things that key you in that fall is really here are barbecues, Halloween and hunting season.

Our community welcomes hunters every year. Some hunt for dove, quail, turkey and deer in various seasons. Many people like to fish too. Of course license for both hunting and fishing must be purchased.

I guess I'm a little off in the sporting department. I went to get my drivers license but I've been hunting for my car. I parked it there in 1972 and I still can't find it. It doesn't appear that this license has helped me find it anyway.

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**RISEING STAR NURSING NEWS**

By Linda Merritt

Several of our residents and employees here at the Center are from Cross Plains, so in recognition of their Homecoming, they have made some football mums for Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Golson's Kindergarten classes. We would like to say a special "Thank You" to these thoughtful people who had a part in making the mums. Residents: Sophia Holmes, Volley Joe Williams, Jimmielee Payne, Grace Jenkins and Billie Lewis. Employees: Angie Fortune (instructor), Nikki Perez, Jessica Nieto, Fredene Tensionn, Christopher Littlejohn, Johnnie

Elliott, Lori Osborn and Minta McCoy. They all really turned out very pretty. We hope children will enjoy wearing them. Good Luck to the Buffaloes.

**GO-FIGHT-WIN!!**

I am very proud to announce that my daughter Brandi Buitron of May, Texas won the Hands On A House contest in Brownwood, with a time of 44 hours and 13 minutes. This was sponsored by Coldwell Banker and Seymore Construction. Congratulations Brandi.

Everyone enjoyed ice cream sundaes-topping of their choice this week.

Sophia (Jerry) Holmes was our black out bingo winner. She was very proud of the prize she won. Way to go Jerry.

Winners of our Jelly Bean Contest last week were: Billie Lewis with nine (9) correct flavors and Jimmielee Payne with seven (7) correct flavors guessed. Congratulations to you both on name that flavor.

We would like to wish a Happy Homecoming to all the Rising Star Exes. Yea, Wildcats!!

**We Are Never Really Happy Until We Try To Brighten The Lives Of Others.**

**Texas Heritage Bank Sponsors Veterans Float**

The Texas Heritage Bank will sponsor a float in the Homecoming Parade honoring all Veterans. Those who wish to ride on the float will need to be at the school at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, September 23rd.

Call Roxie at the bank 254-725-6141 to confirm your space.



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DOWN YOU GO—Buffalo defense (in white) plays hard.



CAPTAINS

Clay Koenig, #80 (left), and Mitchell Gibbs, # 84 (right).

## PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**OFFENSE**  
MITCHELL GIBBS  
3 Catches/33 yds.

**DEFENSE**  
JUSTIN DICKSON  
5 Solo Tackles

## Pipers Beat Buffaloes 24-0

The Cross Plains Buffaloes fell to the Hamlin Pied Pipers, 24-0. The Buffaloes could only total 141 yards against a stiff Piper defense. Four turnovers and poor execution of offense kept the Buffaloes out of the endzone. Hamlin totaled 271 yards of offense.

**Rushing:** Sean Williams 7-9; Cody Hyles 2-(-4); Thomas Estes 6-41; Russell Thomas 10-28; Fili Vasquez 1-0; Brice Bowden 3-0.

**Receiving:** Brice Bowden 2-23; Justin Dickson 1-6; Mitchell Gibbs 3-33; Russell Thomas 1-5.

**Passing:** Thomas Estes 7-17-67 yards (3INT)  
**Tackles:** Clay Koenig 2 Tackles/2 Assists; Russell Thomas 3 Tackles/0 Assists; Zach Bennett 3 Tackles/0 Assists; Brice Bowden 3 Tackles/8 Assists; Thomas Estes 4 Tackles/

1 Assists; Sean Williams 7 Tackles/1 Assist; Josh Radle 4 Tackles/3 Assist; JJ Callaway 2 Tackles/0 Assists; Justin Dickson 5 Tackles/0 Assist; Markus Maxwell 1 Tackle/2 Assist; Jacob Melton 3 Tackle/0 Assist; Mitchell Gibbs 0 Tackles/1 Assist; Chris Marr 6 Tackles/1 Assist.

### Hamlin

**1st Downs:** 13; **Rushing Yards:** 34/190; **Passing Yards:** 7/12/81 yds; **TOTAL YARDS:** 271

### CROSS PLAINS

**1st Downs:** 9; **Rushing Yards:** 29/74; **Passing Yards:** 9/17/3 (67) yds; **TOTAL YARDS:** 141



Submitted by Coach Hagler

### SCORING SUMMARY

	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	FINAL
CROSS PLAINS	0	0	0	0	0
Hamlin	0	17	0	7	24

## School Board

### Meeting Change

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees will be meeting Monday, September 25th, at 6:00 p.m. in the board room of the superintendent's office.

The regular meeting was originally set for Tuesday, September 19th.

### PTO Meeting

**Monday, Sept. 25th**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**@ Auditorium**  
**Door Prizes**  
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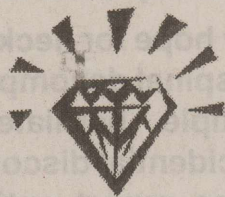
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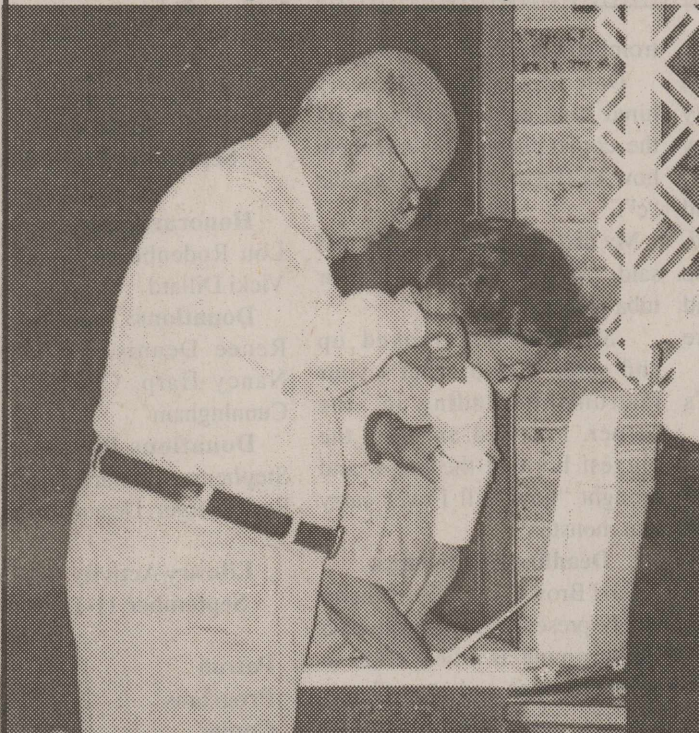
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Last Friday The Breakfast Was Provided By The Church of Christ



## Immunization Clinics Announced for Callahan County Children

Immunization Clinics in Callahan County will be held as follows:

**Monday, October 9**

**Baird Cafetorium**  
400 West 7th  
10 a.m. - 12 noon

**Cross Plains Housing Authority**  
233 North Main  
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 11**  
**Clyde First Baptist Church**  
216 Austin  
10 a.m. - 12 noon  
1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Please bring your child's immunization records. For additional information call 325-754-4945.

## It's Homecoming Time, Get Ready for Breakfast

It's Homecoming Week and Friday night is going to be a great Spirit Raising time, but how are you going to start off your Friday?

How about joining us for Buffalo Breakfast! Be at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center, where Cottonwood Baptist is going to be serving breakfast at 7 a.m. The theme for Friday is Purple and Gold.

This Breakfast is not only for current Cross Plains Buffaloes but Cross Plains Buffaloes and Supporters from years gone by. So strap on all your Purple and Gold and some see how we start our Fridays in Buffalo Country—With Buffalo Breakfast at 7 a.m. at First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

## SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

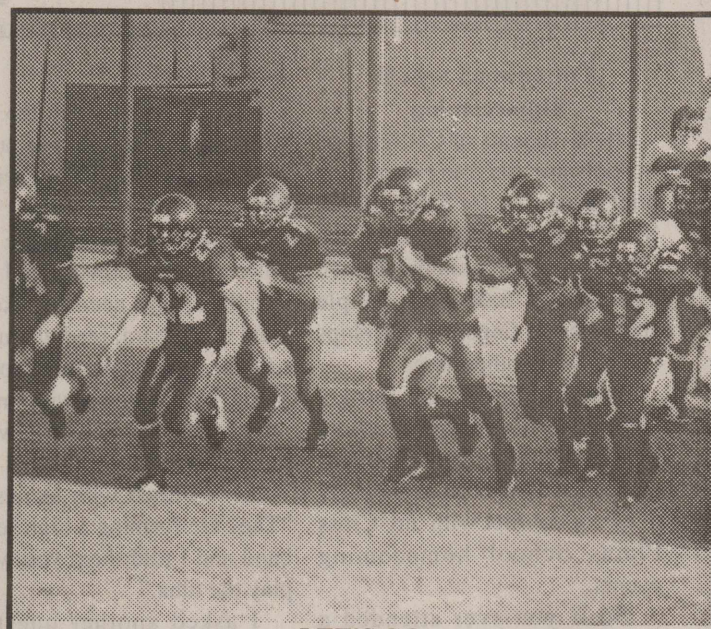
**SEPTEMBER 25 - 29 BREAKFAST**

**MONDAY** - Sausage, Biscuit, Gravy, Assorted Juice  
**TUESDAY** - Pancake, Sausage, Assorted Juice  
**WEDNESDAY** - Poptart, Yogurt, Assorted Juice  
**THURSDAY** - Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice  
**FRIDAY** - Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

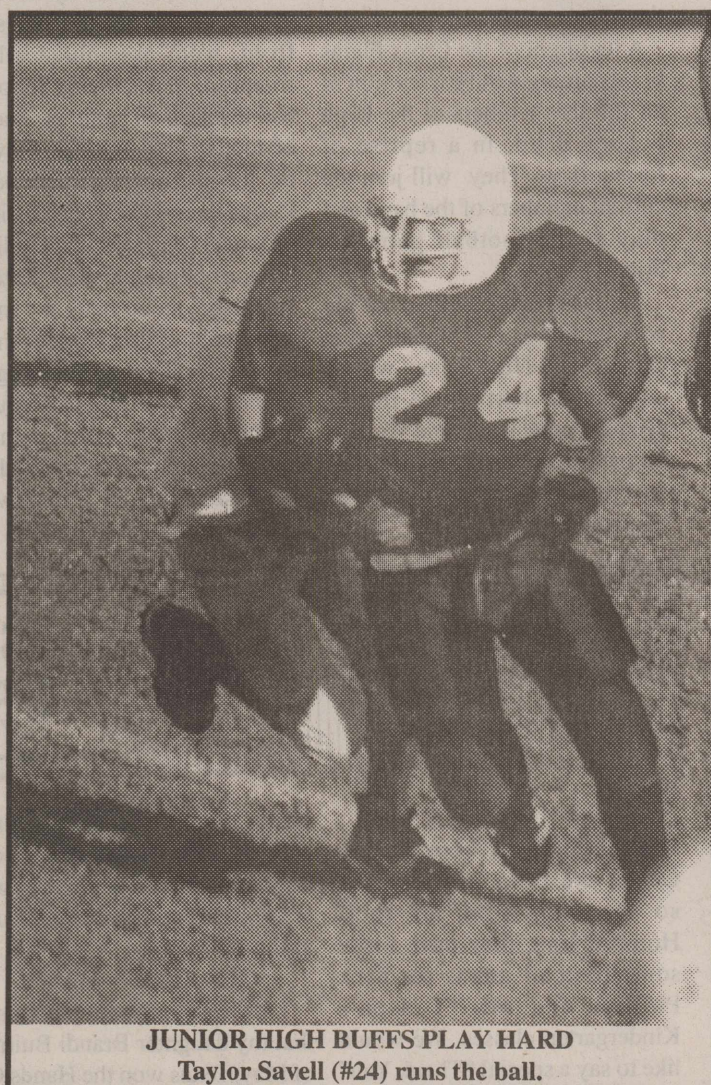
### LUNCH

**MONDAY** - Hot Dogs w/Chili & Cheese, Vegetable Sticks, Pickle Spears, Fresh Fruit  
**TUESDAY** - Baked Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Spinach, Rolls, Honey  
**WEDNESDAY** - Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Corn Chips, Cheese), Salad, Rice, Peaches  
**THURSDAY** - Fish or Hot Pocket, Coleslaw, Blackeyed Peas, Cornbread, Mixed Fruit  
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W/Flavor 1.60 1.90 2.25

**Regular Coffee:** 1.10 1.35 1.60  
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# C.P.H.S. Homecoming 2006

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Wanda Hall Boyles



C.P.H.S. 1945— Cheerleaders, Bobbye Wooten Hinkle (front, from left), Billie Jean Barr Guilbeau and Colleen Moore Anderson; Majorettes, Wanda Hall Boyles (from left), Jeanette Harlow, Jeanelle Joy (football sweetheart), Mary Jo Harris, and JoNell Dunlap Boyle.

## The Class of 1978 Meeting Announced

The class of 1978 will meet at the home of Rhonda Jackson Hinten (200 South Ave. C) immediately following the parade.

Please bring a finger food and a lawn chair. Let's get together and have a fun time reflecting on the past and catching up on the present. We'll miss you if you do not attend. "We're the class that's really great; we're the class of '78!"

## ATTENTION Class of 1971

The graduating class of 1971 will have a class meeting following the Homecoming parade Saturday morning.

The meeting will take place at the home of Rusty and Debbie Reed (behind the football field).

## Classes of the 1970's to meet for Homecoming

The classes of 1970 through 1979 will "TAILGATE" on the Senior Citizens' parking lot following the Homecoming parade on Saturday afternoon.

Bring your favorite tailgating stuff.



REMEMBER WHEN—This is the Wilson Cafe in Cross Plains in 1946. Some of the men include Doc Lee (1st from back), Junior Ford, Sr. (4th from back), and Clay Kinnard (7th man from back). Bailey Wilson is standing behind the counter. (Photo courtesy Betty Kinnard.)

## ATTENTION Classes of the 1940's Business Meeting Told

All Classes of the 1940's will meet for a short business meeting after the Cross Plains High School Ex-Student Association business session scheduled for Saturday morning, September 23rd.

For more information contact Wallace Bennett 254-725-7474.

## Classes of 1963-1964 to meet following Homecoming Parade

The Cross Plains graduating classes of 1963-1964 will meet at Cliff and Connie Kirkham's following the parade.

Class members, family and friends are all welcome. Come enjoy a time of food, fellowship and memories!

Hope to see you then!!!

## Class of 1946 Meeting

The Class of 1946 will be meeting at the home of Harold Garrett, on the Brownwood Highway south of Cross Plains, immediately following the 2006 Homecoming Parade.

All classmates and friends are encouraged to attend.

## Class of 1981 and 1992 Announce Meeting Location

The Classes of 1981 and 1992 will meet at the home of Rolan Jones and Sandra Jones following the CPHS Homecoming Parade on Saturday, September 23rd. All classmates and friends are welcome to attend.

## HOMECOMING CLASS MEETINGS

- Class of 1950-1959 — Community Center  
Sandra Jones
  - Class of 1951 — Newton Farm South of Town  
Anita Newton Lane
  - Class of 1960-1969 — Community Center  
Sandra Jones
  - Class of 1967 — Home of Rick and Peg (Erwin) Terrell  
141 NW 3rd Street
  - Class of 1970 — Home of Steve Fortune  
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  - Class of 1971-1979 — Senior Citizens' Center  
Susan McNeel
  - Class of 1980 — Home of Keith Lawrence  
8950 Hwy 569
  - Class of 1981 — Home of Rolan Jones  
Rolan Jones
  - Class of 1990 — Room #107 in High School  
Trudy Newman
  - Class of 1991 — Room #108 in High School  
Michelle Rudloff
  - Class of 1992 — Home of Rolan Jones  
Rolan Jones
  - Class of 1993 — High School Library  
Stephanie Thompson
  - Class of 1996 — Home of Wade Stephens  
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- A list will be posted at Higginbotham's and the gym foyer.  
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# City Council Minutes

August 8, 2006

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. Members of the council present were Mayor Ray Purvis, James Nichols, Edwin Weiss and Gene Dillard. Employees present were Mark Norris, Don Gosnell, Teresa Kennedy and Debbie Gosnell. Members of the public meeting were Peg and Rick Terrell, Era Lee Hanke and James Ames.

Mayor Purvis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

James Ames met with the council to discuss the baseball fields. He informed the council that the property that the Little League requested the city to purchase for girls softball is low and that they feel that it is not the best place for the field. He stated that this property would be better utilized for parking and that they would like to flip the Little League Field and the Pony League Field, and eventually make a clover-leaf shape with home plate being in the center next to the concession stand. He talked the school needing to lease the Pony League Field for them to be able to legally budget money for improvement to the field. He stated that they would need to lease both fields for boys high school baseball and girls high school softball. Discussion was also had concerning the water and wastewater that services those fields. By general consent the council instructed Debbie Gosnell to meet with the school board to find out the details on what needs to be done in order to lease them the property. The council also agreed to allow James Ames to begin seeking funds to make improvements to the fields.

Mayor Purvis gave the monthly police report. He reported 88 calls for service with 2 alcohol violations, 4 reckless driving calls, 4 prowler calls, 3 loud music, 3 assaults, 4 disorderly conducts, 2 gas drive-offs, 3 thefts, 1 trespassing, 5 family disturbances, 6 terroristic threats, 1 accident, 2 child custody, 1 burglary, 3 criminal mischiefs, 2 alarm responses, 2 residential break-ins, 2 civil disturbances, with 43 warnings and 67 citations. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Bob Hill, Judge, gave the monthly judge's report. He reported 67 citations with 39 still outstanding for 30 days, 25 remain outstanding for 60 days and 19 remain outstanding for 90 days. Collections for June were \$7,799.84. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Era Lee Hanke discussed the Motel Tax with the council. She discussed the fact that the rate the city collects is 5 percent and that is less than most cities collect. She also informed the council that the tax collected must be spent on tourism and promotion on the motel industry, which in our case is 36 West Motel. Discussion was held at length concerning the need to promote our community to tourism and that these funds would be beneficial to the local organizations that use the tax. It was also discussed that the Roping Club needs to be getting some of the tax due to their events that bring people to town. James Nichols moved to send a letter to 36 West Motel requesting that they raise their tax rate from 5 percent to 7 percent. Gene Dillard seconded and the motion carried. Other discussion held concerning the motel tax was the 2006/2007 Budget from the Chamber of Commerce and Debbie is to request their most current budget as well as ask the Chamber to begin reporting on a

quarterly basis the actual funds spent.

Discussion was held concerning repair to the Community Center. By general consent the council agreed for Debbie to get bids on repair to the roof as well as other repairs needed on the building.

Gene Dillard moved to pay the bills. Audrey Purvis seconded and motion carried.

Edwin Weiss moved to adjourn. James Nichols seconded and motion carried.

James Nichols moved to adopt the Hazard Mitigation Action Plan Resolution. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Debbie Gosnell presented the annual audit and discussed recommendations the auditor made with to the council. Mr. Gully recommended allocating more expenses out of the General Fund instead of the Water and Sewer Account and recommended trying to begin putting funds back into reserve to cover the depreciation expense the system is experiencing. He discussed ways to generate funds to help alleviate the loss the accounts have experienced the last couple of years, such as the cost of clean up from the fire and the cost of replacing the 100,000 gallon ground storage tank. Debbie is to work on reallocating expense to help balance out the two accounts and present her recommendations to the council at the next meeting.

Discussion was held at length concerning ways to generate funds other than taxes or raising rates. Suggestions of ways to create more sales tax revenue were held. Billy Bell suggested trying to get a truck stop in Cross Plains with 24 hours service.

Gene Dillard moved to pay bills. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

By general consent the council approved the minutes as presented.

Edwin Weiss moved to adjourn. James Nichols seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor  
ATTEST:  
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

August 14, 2006

This was a special called meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. Members of the council present were Mayor Ray Purvis, James Nichols, Edwin Weiss, Gene Dillard, Audrey Purvis and Jerry Cassle. Employees present were Mayor Ray Purvis, James Nichols, Edwin Weiss, Gene Dillard, Audrey Purvis and Jerry Cassle. Employees present were Mark Norris, Teresa Kennedy and Debbie Gosnell.

Mayor Purvis called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Purvis read a letter of resignation from Mark Norris effective August 31, 2006. Discussion held at length concerning the matter. It was pointed out that Mark not only carries a Double B Water and Wastewater Certification, an Animal Control License, Customer Service Inspection License, as well as Structural Pest and Weed Control License. The City is required to have two licensed operators for the Water and Wastewater Department and all the other licenses are required as well. It was pointed out that the other employees will be required to obtain these licenses to meet state regulation. Debbie pointed out that Mark is our Health Officer and that office will have to be filled as well. The daily, monthly and quarterly water reports will have to be kept up-to-date as well as monthly water and wastewater sampling, testing for

ph and wastewater testing. Other items discussed was all the mowing that Mark is responsible for such as the City Hall, City Yard, Water Plant, Ball Parks, Community Center and well fields. The general consensus of the council was that Mark's duties and responsibilities are too numerous to list and that it will be with great difficulty to replace him. Gene Dillard moved with hesitancy to accept Mark Norris' resignation. Edwin Weiss seconded and the motion carried.

Another item on the agenda for discussion was the sewer rates for the commercial businesses. It was pointed out that the current sewer rates are not comparable to most commercial businesses in other communities. The council asked Debbie to look into the matter and place it on the agenda at the next regular meeting.

Debbie Gosnell also informed the council that EDC has approved a project for Susan Schaefer for repair to her roof in the form of a loan/grant in the amount of \$3,000/\$3,000 at an interest rate of 6 percent and asked the council to consider approval of the project. Gene Dillard moved to approve the proposal. Audrey Purvis seconded and motion carried.

James Nichols moved to adjourn. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor  
ATTEST:  
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

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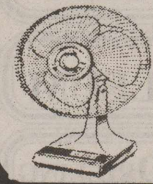
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# Curfew Questions, Cutting Weeds, Senior Center Rental Notification and a New Roof, Highlights Meeting

By Deborah Lowitzer  
Special Writer

September 12, 2006

On Tuesday, September 12, 2006, the Cross Plains City Council met for its regular monthly meeting. Council members in attendance were Audrey Purvis, Gene Dillard, Jerry Cassle, James Nichols and Edwin Weiss. Former councilman Terry Lichty was also present.

City employees present were Debbie Gosnell, Don Gosnell, Teresa Kennedy, Stuart Sowell, David Clark and former employee Mark Norris. Those attending from the public were Peg Terrell, Kathy Anderson and Vanda Anderson.

Mayor Ray Purvis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. He opted to forgo the reading of the minutes from the last meeting held on August 14, 2006. There was no objection.

Chief of Police Don Gosnell read his monthly report. He reported a total of 94 calls for service. These included 2 criminal mischiefs, 5 assaults, 2 disorderly conducts, 5 thefts, 6 alarms response, 2 trespassing, 2 terroristic threats, 1 telephone harassment, 5 dog calls, 1 felony warrant served, 2 felony in possession of a firearm, 4 possessions of a stolen firearm, 4 possessions of stolen property, 1 possession of marijuana, 1 possession of meth, 1 assault on a police officer, 1 resisting arrest and 1 fleeing a police officer. Over all, Don gave out 35 warnings and 61 citations. It was approved and accepted by the council.

Debbie Gosnell, City Secretary, read Judge Bob Hill's monthly report. There were 99 citations, with 38 outstanding for 30 days, 23 still outstanding for 60 days, 21 remain outstanding for 90 days and 17 outstanding for 120 days. Collections for August were in the amount of \$9,201.83.

It was approved and accepted by the council.

A question was asked with reference to the on-going topic of the softball fields. Debbie responded that she was waiting to hear back from the school board on what decision they had made concerning this issue. Discussion was tabled until the school responds back to the City.

Gene Dillard brought up the issue of a city curfew. He related that at least four people had asked him about possibly implementing one. He has talked to parents as well as business owners, and they all wondered how one could actually be enforced. Gene commented that, "Most parents already have a curfew, and their kids abide by it."

Mayor Purvis said he didn't see anything wrong with the idea of curfew, but also wondered how the city would enforce it.

Don explained that the problems he was encountering mainly involved those between 18 and 22 years old. He added, "Most kids are not causing trouble."

Dillard responded that because of football season was now underway, there might be added reasons for a curfew. He mentioned that midnight might be a good cut off time. He went on to say that most parents control their kids, but not all do.

City Secretary, Debbie Gosnell said that she wasn't for it or against it. She added that, "We really don't have a lot of crime going on."

Terry Lichty asked if the council had followed up on getting a 2nd officer to help Don out, and if they had asked for applications. Gosnell indicated that they were looking to hire someone and had accepted several applications, but had no real results yet.

Mayor Purvis asked if the council wanted to pursue the curfew idea and pass an ordinance. Gene responded that he thought that they needed to study more on the idea before they took action. The curfew discussion was tabled until further information is acquired.

A motion was made by Dillard and seconded by Weiss to pay the bills. The motion carried.

Under miscellaneous business, Debbie said that various citizens had asked about the trailer house ordinance, wanting to know if the council would consider amending it to allow for a temporary setting of a travel trailer.

Terry Lichty suggested that perhaps the council would consider taking a look at travel trailers on a case by case basis. The general consensus of the council was that while they could not amend the standing ordinance, perhaps a "temporary hardship" permit might work for citizens, with the provision that it not be extended for a great length of time. A time period of 90 days was discussed, but nothing concrete was agreed upon.

The mowing ordinance was discussed at length. The council was in agreement that all of the lots around town need to continue to be mowed and looking good. The lots across from the high school were some of the first to be mowed and cleaned up by the contractor the City has hired. Everyone agreed that "the lots have been cleaned up good - it's a bargain."

The usual cost for cleaning up a lot has been \$75.00 for the first time and \$50.00 thereafter. If grass or weeds get over 12 inches tall, letters are sent out to property owners, asking them to mow it back. If owners do not respond within the allowed time, a bill will be sent. This charge will not be billed to their water bill, and if it is not paid, a lien will be placed against their property. The council was in agreement to continue with this procedure.

Mayor Ray Purvis acknowledged Kathy Anderson, and asked if she had something she'd like to say. Mrs. Anderson asked if there was a way to get the City

to give her notice ahead of time when the Senior Citizen Center was going to be rented out. She stated that this seemed to be an ongoing problem and was seeking a solution. She added that there were 5 senior citizens that were willing to back her up in the endeavour to resolve this.

"We don't have a clue when it's being rented. We'd like to be able to at least put up our stuff when it's rented." Kathy went on to say, "We have to pay for our stuff with donations. It's project money, not community money. People use paper plates, napkins, take-out containers toilet paper... everything, and then we have to make up for it. We can't just continue to supply everyone with this stuff."

Debbie asked how much was used over the period of a year. Kathy responded, "The issue is just to let us know. You owe the seniors the respect to notify them when it's going to be rented."

Debbie stated that the City would begin providing paper towels and toilet paper for the citizens who rent the Center.

Mrs. Anderson also requested that the City check to see if it is left clean before they gave someone their deposit back, so the senior citizens wouldn't have to clean it.

Debbie said that she would mail a calendar to Kathy's home address, notifying her of upcoming rentals. She stated that, "When Teresa rents it out, I'll mail you a copy." Kathy gave Teresa her phone number for contact.

A discussion was held concerning upcoming work that needed to be done on the Community Center. Debbie said that the insurance company hasn't been contacted yet, but Rusty Reed had looked at the roof. She related that, "It's been patched, patched, patched."

Mark Norris explained that the porch roof traps water when it rains. The City accepted a bid by Reed Construction to do the needed work.

The question of also repairing the gazebo where the mens and womens bathrooms are located, by the Community Center was briefly discussed, but it was decided that this project needed to wait, with the priority being the Community Center itself. Gene Dillard moved to repair the roof and Audrey Purvis seconded it. Motion carried.

James Nichols spoke about painting and repairing the Senior Citizens Center's north wall. "I prefer to replace the plywood and paint the woodwork on the north side." He thought that they might be able to get it done for a lower cost than first suggested. Debbie said that she would check into getting a handyman in town to fix it.

Jerry Cassle moved to go into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. Audrey Purvis seconded it and motion carried.

Executive Session lasted for an hour. During this time discussion was held at length concerning the replacement of Mark Norris and a retainer fee to secure his help. Nichols moved to return to Open Meeting. Weiss seconded it and motion carried.

At 8:30 p.m. Jerry Cassle moved to pay Mark Norris a retainer in the sum of \$1,000.00 a month. For this fee, Norris will continue to help the city with all of the required regulations, as well as training the other employees in the Water Department with matters such as sampling, paperwork and numerous other duties he was in charge of.

There was no mention as to who will eventually replace Mr. Norris.

Weiss moved to adjourn and Audrey Purvis seconded it, thus ending the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

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By Barbara Holmes Worcester

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Cars buzzed by me and darkness began to settle in. Suddenly a car pulled off the road behind me. A figure approached "Hey, do you need some help?" Then he stepped into the light and I was frightened. This young guy was dressed in black. He was pierced and tattooed. He had leather bracelets with spikes on each wrist. "Let me give you a hand," he said. He took over. While watching him, I happened to look back at his car and I noticed someone sitting in the passenger seat. That concerned me. Thoughts of carjackings and robberies flashed through my mind.

Then without warning it began to pour. It was impossible to finish the tire change. "Get in my car," he said. "When this lets up we will finish. You can't get in your car with it jacked up. Come on. Get in," he said as he grabbed my arm and pulled me toward his car. Wet and tired I settled into the back seat. Suddenly a frail voice came from the front seat of the car. "Are you all right?" "Yes, I am," I replied.

My name is Beatrice and this is my neighbor Jeff, she said. "He insisted on stopping when he saw you struggling with the tire." "I am grateful for his help," I said. "Me too" she said with a laugh. "Jeff takes me to visit my husband. He is in a nursing home about 30 minutes from where we live. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday we go."

"Jeff that's incredible, I never

would have guessed from the way you...." I stumbled with the words.

"I know. People who look like me don't do nice things," he said.

"Jeff's a really nice kid," Beatrice said. He's a volunteer at our church. He also works with the kids in the learning center at the low income housing unit in our town. He is a tutor.

I had the uncomfortable feeling that I had insulted someone. He was right. What he wore on the outside was a reflection of the world as he saw it. What he wore on the inside was the spirit of giving, caring and loving the world, he wanted people to see.

The rain stopped and Jeff and I changed the tire, I tried to offer him money and of course, he refused it. As we shook hands I began to apologize for my stupidity.

He said, "I experience that same reaction often. I actually thought about changing the way I look. But then I saw this as an opportunity to make a point. So I will leave you with the same question I ask everyone who takes the time to know me. If Jesus returned tomorrow and walked among us again, would you recognize Him by what He wore or by what he did?"

From the Internet

### What Do You Think?

I confess that many times I have judged something or someone by their dress and I am ashamed. However in the case above, I think Jesus would not have dressed in a way to frighten or alarm people. I think He was balanced and normal in his dress according to that of his day.

I would like to hear what you think.

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Good Samaritan in Today's Lifetime — Ken Horan

Dear Editor,

It was a hot Saturday, August 5th—moving day from Temple to Abilene for my son Seth. He was going to start his first job after college on the following Monday in Abilene. Seth, his dad and I were transporting all his worldly assets via trucks and trailer. Since there had been a two (2) year drought in Abilene, we didn't even consider covering up any of the items in the beds of the trucks or on the trailer. As we got closer to Abilene, the sky started darkening with rain clouds. So, we made a quick stop at the convenience store in Cross Plains to ponder our plans—go forth and risk the rain or stay and wait it out? The final decision was to go over to the car wash in the next block and hopefully survive any rain, as we would be protected by the stalls and roof of the car wash.

Onward we went to wait it out. As we pulled into the stall, we visited with another person waiting on his Harley for the rain to pass as well. Little did we know that the Harley rider is the owner of the car wash. When we advised him of our predicament, Ken called home to get updated weather information from his

wife via the weather channel.

Based on the weather updates, we decided to wait it out, however the storm seemed to be stalled. Ken came to our rescue—off he went to gather up tarps, tie downs and ropes from his business and family members. Once back, he proceeded to help us to cover up all of Seth's worldly assets. Almost an hour later, we were on our way to Abilene. Seth's furnishings arrived in great condition. When we volunteered to pay Ken for his supplies and assistance, he turned it down. He just asked that we return the tarps and supplies on our way back home...what a blessing we had received.

Residents of Cross Plains, I want you to know how lucky you are to have someone like Ken living there—a true representative of your "Caring Community".

Thank you, Ken. We'll always remember your help, especially when we commute through Cross Plains in our travels from Temple to Abilene.

Sincerely,  
Carla Hallman  
Temple, Texas

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Stevie Letney  
Lee Roberts  
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Freddie Childers  
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Amber (Phillips) Snell

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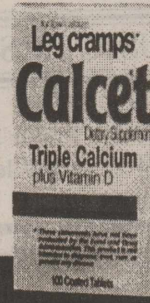
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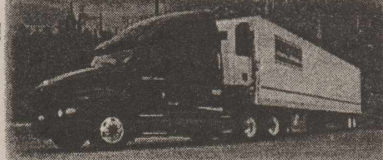
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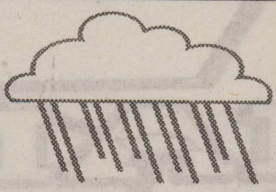
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## Commissioners authorize air ambulance company to sell memberships in County

Callahan County Commissioners voted to allow an Abilene ambulance helicopter company to sell memberships to individuals and families in Callahan County.

The commissioners' court took the action Monday, September 11th during the court's regular monthly meeting at the Court Courthouse in Baird.

Burt League with Air Evac Lifeteam explained the membership program for citizens of Callahan County. The air ambulance company serves Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Callahan County Judge Roger Corn said although the commissioners' court authorized the company to sell memberships, the motion does not in any way make an endorsement of Air Evac Lifeteam.

Under the program, residents can purchase memberships in the amount of \$50 annually for an individual, \$55 annually for a couple and \$60 annually for a family of three or more.

Residents who obtain memberships can be transported throughout the Big Country to Hendrick Medical Center free of charge. Normally, the air ambulance charges anywhere from \$8,000 to \$12,000 to transport an individual.

Judge Corn said under the Texas Administrative Code, the air ambulance company must get the okay from the commissioners' court to sell memberships inside the county.

Judge Corn said the air ambulance company will continue to transport inside Callahan County whether the individual has a membership or not. He also said the company will continue to provide free air spotter for local fire departments and will also provide the helicopter free of charge for help in locating a missing person. Judge Corn said the company plans to join the Chambers of Commerce throughout the county.

On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and a second from Commissioner Doris Grider, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to authorize Air Evac Lifeteam to sell membership fees to the citizens of Callahan County. Air Evac Lifeteam will not offer memberships nor accept members into the program who are

Medicaid clients.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—Judge Corn called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m. Present included: Precinct #1 Commissioner Harold Hicks, Precinct #2 Commissioner Bryan Farmer, Precinct #3 Commissioner Tommy Holland and Precinct #4 Commissioner Doris Grider. Also present at the meeting were County Treasurer Dianne Alexander and County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon.

—The minutes of the September 5th meeting were approved as presented.

—There was no public comment received.

—Commissioner Grider made a motion to set the Sheriff's and Constables' fees the same for 2007 as they were in 2006. Commissioner Farmer seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

—Commissioner Grider made a motion to reinstate the Burn Ban for Callahan County. The motion died for the lack of a second.

—Judge Corn made a motion to pass a proclamation declaring "Disaster Preparedness Week September 10-16, 2006" in Callahan County. Commissioner Hicks seconded and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to proceed with the Baird Depot restoration project when the money is put into escrow. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Judge Corn made a motion to amend the budget as per the auditor request. Commissioner Hicks seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

—Commissioner Grider made a motion to pay all approved bills. Judge Corn seconded and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:45 a.m. Commissioner Hicks seconded and the motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court also held a called meeting on Tuesday, September 5th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

The meeting minutes from the

September 5th meeting included:

—The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by Judge Corn.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to adopt the 2006-2007 budget. Total income for the General Fund is \$2,931,403.04 with a .31456¢ tax rate per \$100 of property value. Total expenses for the General Fund is \$2,931,308.45 with a budget surplus of \$94.59. Total income for the Road and Bridge Fund is \$1,044,616.66 with a .10241¢ per \$100 of property value tax rate. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Grider moved that property taxes be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of .41697¢ per \$100 of property value. Judge Corn seconded and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote. Voting for the motion were Commissioners Hicks, Farmer, Holland, Grider and Judge Corn.

—The minutes of the August 24th and August 29th commissioners' court meetings were approved as presented.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to leave the burn ban lifted. The item will be on the September 11th agenda. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried with a 4-1 vote. Voting for the motion were Commissioners Hicks, Holland and Farmer and Judge Corn. Voting against the motion was Commissioner Grider.

—Judge Corn made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Grider seconded and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

## 2006 Turkey Shoot slated for Oct. 14th in Clyde

The Clyde Golden K Kiwanis Club and Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports presents the 2006 Turkey Shoot on Saturday, October 14, 2006.

The event will take place from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Callahan County Shooting Sports Complex which is located between Clyde and Baird south of FM 18.

Proceeds from the event support the Clyde Golden K Kiwanis Club and 4-H Shooting Sports program.

The Funshoot will include teams of five for \$125 per team. One round of skeet and trap with 15 team total. Winning teams will receive frozen turkeys and other great prizes.

The Rifleshoot will include silhouette targets at various distances with a variety of rifles (bring your own). All ages are welcome and winners at stations will receive frozen turkeys, bacon or sausage.

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## USDA Extends Emergency Grazing on CRP Acres

St. Louis, Sept. 15, 2006—Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns today extended the window for emergency livestock grazing on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres for farmers and ranchers who are impacted by drought in 30 states. The traditional deadline for emergency grazing on CRP acres in September 30th.

"Extremely dry weather conditions have created real hardships for farmers and ranchers in many parts of the county this year," said Johanns. "This emergency relief measure will provide feed and forage to producers who have lost hay stocks and grazing lands because of drought."

The 30 eligible states are Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

State FSA committees and USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) state technical committees must agree on the need for the emergency grazing extensions before they are finalized. Once approved, producers in the 30 states may graze on CRP land until the following dates:

- October 20, 2006-Idaho, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin;
- November 10, 2006-Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Nebraska, Missouri, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming; and

• November 30, 2006-Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas. Emergency haying of CRP acreage in these states ends Sept. 30, 2006.

In mid-July, USDA announced the expansion of eligible CRP acreage for emergency grazing and haying in Alabama, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas and Wyoming. The expanded area radiates 150 miles out from any county approved for emergency haying and grazing in any above-mentioned state.

Additionally, USDA announced that CRP rental payments will be reduced by only 10% instead of the standard 25% on CRP lands that are grazed in 2006.

USDA may allow producers to graze or hay CRP acreage under certain conditions such as during times of drought or other natural disasters. Farmers and ranchers can graze not more than 75% of the stocking rate. They also can only graze 75% of a field or contiguous file that is enrolled for wildlife habitat. CRP is a voluntary program that offers annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term resource-conserving cover on eligible land.

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