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## Olson's Uncover Local Spy at the Library's Fish Fry

Former CIA agents James and Meredith Olson were featured speakers at the Cross Plains Public Library's "I Spy Fish Fry" last Saturday evening. Nearly 150 guests were enthralled with the exciting tales of the Olson's days in the CIA and the evening ended with their announcement of Connie Kirkham as our local spy.

At their arrival, guests checked in and then followed the footprints to the banquet hall of First United Methodist Church. The hall was decorated in black and white with a catfish dressed in a trenchcoat and holding a magnifying glass looking at the Olsons as the centerpieces of the tables.

Magnifying glasses and funny disguises decorated the tables. Each guest could entertain themselves during dinner by unraveling the mysteries printed on their placemat. Dinner was fried catfish (from Mexico City Cafe) with baked beans, coleslaw, hushpuppies, and various homemade cobblers topped with ice cream.

Footprint trails continued across the dinner tables to the featured table with the descriptions of our three local spy candidates: Arlene Stephenson, Rolan Jones and Connie Kirkham. During dinner, guests voted on their choice for the local spy. Although Arlene didn't win, she gets the prize for best costume, which delighted us all.

After dinner, the Olson's told their stories, first as they each independently joined the CIA and then, after they married and joined forces. Their adventures included deep cover work in Paris, France (where their three children were born) and two years in Moscow for operational missions. They described the intense psychological screening and extensive training they received because of the isolation they would experience in Moscow.

Remember that line from *Mission Impossible*: "If any of your team is caught or killed, the secretary will disavow any knowledge of your actions."? It really works that way. They were constantly followed by multiple surveillance teams and every room in their house and their car was bugged.

Only at a specially built "bubble" room in the U.S. Embassy could they speak freely. Even conversations out in the open air while strolling through the park were guarded, as they didn't know how advanced the Russian eavesdropping devices were.

Danger and suspicion lurked in every corner. Here is where James met the Russian spy who wanted to defect and he told the story of his clandestine meetings with the other agent. He was not able to tell us how the spy, plus his wife and daughter, were extracted to the U.S., as those means and methods are still used today, but he did tell of the "second-skin" technology used for disguises and we learned about "drop points" and the preparations used for secret meetings.

Meredith told of her role in their missions while trying to raise three small children. She had to make up explanations as to why their dad was late or didn't come home at night. She stated several times that they were afraid for their lives, but their strong faith in God brought them through.

The CIA leaves it up to its agents whether they tell their families the truth about their career. Some never do, but the Olsons told us their need to bring their eldest son Jeremy in on the secret, as they had received a death threat at their home address while serving in Vienna, Austria.

Jeremy, who was 16, reacted to his parents' news with pride, and helped keep a close eye on his younger brother and sister, reporting any suspicious

characters or vehicles in their surroundings. As they got older, Joshua and Hillary were told the truth and James shared those experiences with us.

James and Meredith have now settled down to less dangerous careers. James teaches a Masters Program course on International Affairs at the George Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M, while Meredith pursued a nursing career and works as a registered nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital in Bryan.

After the program, questions were taken from the audience. In response to one, James told us of his concerns over the readiness of our country to another foreign attack on American soil, which he sated, "It's coming, we just don't know when, where, or what." He feels frustrated that the U.S. has become lax in its foreign intelligence and does not allow the military to "do its job" in acquiring information from terrorists. But he and Meredith both believe that our country is the best on earth and they do everything they can for it.

In closing, I would be remiss not thanking many people for making this Cross Plains Public Library fundraiser a huge success: James and Meredith for volunteering their time and giving their careers in service to our nation; Mexico City Cafe for furnishing the fried catfish; Arlene, Rolan and Connie for being terrific sports as our local "spy" candidates; First United Methodist Church for allowing us to use their beautiful facility; the CPPL Board and spouses for the delicious cobblers and giving their time to set-up, serve and clean-up.

Be sure to read my one-on-one interview with Connie Kirkham next week as she discloses all her secrets while being a spy in Cross Plains.

Submitted by  
Michelle Kaiser

## Annual 4th of July Celebration at Treadway Park Saturday

The City of Cross Plains will hold its annual 4th of July Celebration at Treadway Park on Saturday, July 4th.

The celebration will include volleyball, horseshoes, an air castle for the very young, and a 42 tournament. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be given in the

42 tournament. All the activities begin at 3:00 p.m.

A hot dog supper, cold watermelon and ONE cold drink will be provided FREE of CHARGE beginning at 6:00 p.m. The temperature will be soaring this year, so please bring additional water or cold drinks of

your preference and any canopies or shade you may have. As always, citizens are asked to bring their lawn chairs.

The usual Fantastic Fireworks display will begin at dark.

For more information about the event, please contact City Hall at 254-725-6114.

## CPHS Cheerleaders Holding Bake Sale and Silent Auction Friday

The Cross Plains High School Cheerleaders are having a BAKE SALE and SILENT AUCTION Friday, July 3rd, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Texas Heritage Bank during their celebration.

There will be lots of sweets and treats and also many great items for the silent auction. Here is a list of just a few of the items:

- Gift Baskets
  - 2 Yankee Candle Baskets
  - Fleece Blanket
  - Iron Works
  - Mike and Ed's Deer Processing Perini Ranch Cookbook and Gift Certificate
  - Taste of Texas Hanging Basket
  - White Tail Deer Shoulder Mount - by Porcius Potter
  - Boss Hawg Hog Trap by J&S Ag Fabrication
  - Sport Tickets
  - Plus several wonderful gift certificates and cards.
- Come by and support the CPHS Cheerleaders!!!!

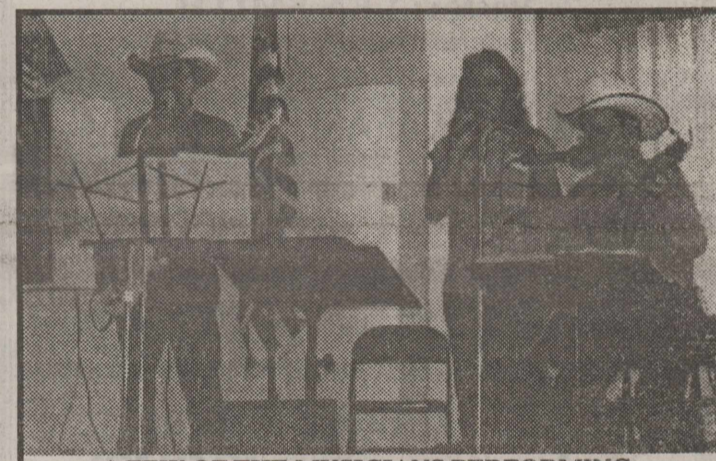
## Project Pride to Meet Tuesday, July 7th

The monthly meeting of Project Pride will be Tuesday, July 7th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Public Library.

New docents and all other volunteers are invited to attend and to get involved in future activities. Please note the change of meeting time.



HELPING IN THE KITCHEN— Beth Bogue (from left), Judy Luter, and Beverly Brown.



A FEW OF THE MUSICIANS PERFORMING.



STIRRING THE SPAGHETTI— Frances Thornton.

## Old Time Musical and Spaghetti Supper at Cottonwood a Big Success

The Old Time Musical and Spaghetti Supper on Friday, June 19th, was a great success! Everyone enjoyed the good old country music performed by guitar players from all across the area.

The benefit, organized by the Community Center Committee of the Cottonwood Historical

Association, raised money for repairs and maintenance at the Community Center.

Organizers Yvonne Peevy, Cookie Robinson, Dena Nickerson and Beverly Brown coordinated donations, prepared the dinner, lined up the help and made sure everything ran smoothly.

## City of Cross Plains Employees Recognized for Service Years

The City of Cross Plains recently recognized several of its employees, as well as Councilmen and Mayor, for years of service to the City. Mayor Ray Purvis was recognized for 25 years, Councilman Edwin Weiss for 15 years and Councilman Jerry

Cassle for 14 years of service. City Administrator Debbie Gosnell was recognized for 25 years, Chief of Police Don Gosnell 10 years, and Street Superintendent Stuart Sowell for 5 years of service. Certificates of Recognition were presented to all.

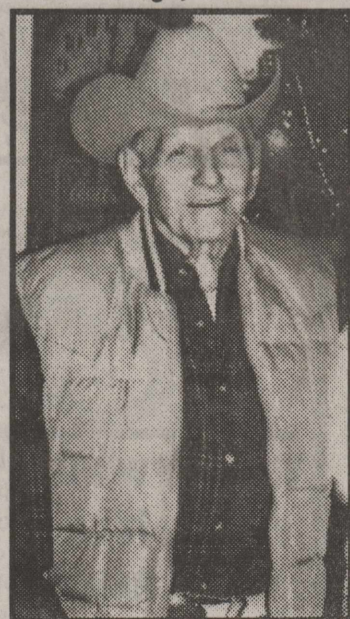
## Funeral Services Held for L.D. Koenig Friday, June

Funeral services for L.D. Koenig, longtime resident of Cross Plains, was held at 10 a.m. Friday, June 26, 2009, at Higginbotham Chapel in Cross Plains, with Ronnie B. White officiating. Burial followed in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

Mr. Koenig passed away Tuesday, June 23, 2009, at Oak Ridge Manor in Brownwood.

L.D. was born July 4, 1919, in Coleman County, Texas, to Edwin Carl and Lenora Gable Koenig. He was a retired postal clerk, also self-employed in the oil industry, farming and ranching business. He was a member of the American Legion. He was married to Martha Nan McAdams on January 28, 1938, in Cross Plains.

He is survived by two sons, Lynn Koenig and wife Teresa of Pioneer and Eddie Koenig and wife Diane of Cross Plains; two daughters, Mary Hutchins and husband Darvel of Lake Brownwood and Jerry Johnson and husband Andy of Ranger; nine grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.



L.D. Koenig

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Queenie, and a brother.

Pallbearers were Cole Koenig, Clay Koenig, Rusty Johnson, Mike Johnson, Greg Pancake, Kyle Coraway, Jarrod Richards and Coby Richards.

Honorable pallbearers were Dale Bishop, Glen Winfrey, Lewis Fortune, Kenneth Thate, Dick Koenig, Jackie Hammonds, Jack Watson and Harvey Koenig.

## Vaccination Clinic and Registration Scheduled for Saturday, July 11

A Canine Vaccination Clinic will be held Saturday, July 11th at the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department from 8 a.m. until noon.

The cost is \$12.00 per animal and new veterinarian Dr. Kevin Blaser will be giving vaccines.

This will also be utilized as a time for dogs in Cross Plains to be registered with the City of Cross Plains in compliance with the animal control ordinance.

Remember this date Saturday, July 11th and have your dog vaccinated and registered.

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## CHURCH DIRECTORY

### CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

832 Ave. E Cross Plains, TX  
**Pastor:** Walter Pope  
 Sunday Morning Bible Study ...10:00 AM  
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM  
 Evening Worship.....6:00 PM  
 Wednesday Night Bible Study...6:00 PM



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 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM  
 Evening Service.....6:00 PM  
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00 PM

Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599

Church (254) 725-6266

Friendly Church

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### Brushy Creek Cowboy Church

112 W. Travis in Putnam

**Pastor: Sam Stone**

Sunday Morning Worship.....10:30 AM  
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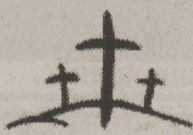
Every Sunday at 10:30 am

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:** Rufus Wilson  
 254-725-4589  
 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 254-725-4589**

### Living Water Ministries Fellowship

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Sunday....10:00 am Wednesday....7:00 pm

*Pastor Max Evans*

**For Information Call (254) 725-7418**

### Rowden Baptist Church

**Pastor: Wayne Lenz**  
**Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods**

Bible Study...10:00 am  
 Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am

2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

### GOSPEL MISSION

716 1st Street Full Gospel

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Michael Ingram, Pastor

Sam Fleming, Pastor

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## 2-Cross Plains Review July 2, 2009

### Department of Aging and Disability Services Commissioner to retire

AUSTIN—Adelaide "Addie" Horn, commissioner of the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) announced today, Thursday, June 25th she will retire from state service on Aug. 31, 2009.

Horn's retirement caps a three-decade public service career that began with her employment as a direct care worker to individuals with intellectual, and other disabilities and included stints managing vocational rehabilitation, regulatory and quality assurance programs, policy initiatives and direct management of services. Horn previously was the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's director of long-term care services. Before becoming commissioner on Feb. 1, 2006, Horn served as the first deputy commissioner of DADS.

"Addie's tenure as DADS Commissioner has been one of strong leadership on behalf of individuals who need her agency's services, no matter the setting or disability." Health and Human Services Executive Commissioner Albert Hawkins said. "She has always placed their interest first in making decisions for DADS."

Under Horn's leadership:

- The number of Texans with physical and developmental disabilities served by community-based programs increased by more than 19,000 since 2007. In both the 2007 and 2009 sessions, members of the Texas Legislature approved additional funding for Medicaid-funded waiver programs. In the 2009 session, the agency received the largest expansion in the history of the Home and Community-Based Services program.

- The state reached settlement of a federal lawsuit stemming from a U.S. Department of

Justice investigation of the state supported living centers, formerly known as state schools. The settlement and related state legislation contain measures to improve care at the centers, including enhanced security and tougher background checks of staff who work there. The Texas Legislature also approved hiring, more than 3,000 additional employees at the centers.

- The state's Promoting Independence Plan and Initiative opened the way for more than 18,000 people to move from nursing facilities into Texas communities, and over 2,600 people to move from the Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons With Mental Retardation (ICF/MR) program into settings supported by community waivers.

Horn said she is confident that DADS will continue making progress in improving services for older Texans and individuals with intellectual and other disabilities.

"It has been my privilege, and one that I have never taken for granted to have served individuals who are aging, and have disabilities. As commissioner, to have been able to work under the leadership of Executive Commissioner Albert Hawkins, to work with such dedicated staff, the leadership of our state, our many partners and stakeholders and to know the many families and individuals who receive our services, has been a great source of inspiration."

DADS was created in September 2004 and provides a comprehensive array of services and opportunities for older Texans, individuals with developmental disabilities and Texans with physical disabilities.

### City Hall Daily Hours Changed as of July 1st

The City of Cross Plains, in order to be more accommodating to its customers, began keeping City Hall open during the lunch hour and closing at 4:00 p.m. effective July 1, 2009. In an effort to be more productive City Hall will also close at 1:00 p.m. on Fridays.

A **DROP BOX** will be provided for anyone wishing to pay their bill during these closed hours.

Should the 15th fall on Friday or the weekend, the due date for the utility bill will be extended to Monday.

Anyone having an emergency can continue to call during these hours and all calls will be responded to prior to the end of each business day.

### Drug Bust in Callahan County for Growing Illegal Substance Marijuana

On June 25, 2009, after probable cause determined the growth of an illegal substance, known as marijuana, Callahan County Sheriff's Office filed for and obtained a search warrant, to be executed on a business and residence on FM 603. During the execution of the search warrant, marijuana in plant form, was found, as well as several different types of controlled substances.

One male and one female were arrested and transported to the Callahan County Jail. Callahan County Sheriff John Windham, would like to thank Texas Parks and Wildlife, Texas Department of Public Safety, and Clyde Police Department for their assistance of insuring a safe execution in the search warrant for all involved.

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## ROBERT E. HOWARD WESTERN STORY SERIAL

### MOUNTAIN MAN

*Continued*

"I bet them Perdicion hombres starts somethin'," said Kirby. "Ain't a one of 'em showed up yet. They're settin' over at Perdicion soakin' up bad licker and broodin' on their wrongs. They shore wanted this show staged over there. They claimed that since Tomahawk was furnishin' one-half of the attraction, and Gunstock the other half, the razeed ought to be thrown at Perdicion."

"Nothin' to it," said McVey. "It laid between Tomahawk and Gunstock, and we throwed a coin and won it. If Perdicion wants trouble, she can get it. Is the boys r'arin' to go?"

"Is they!" said Richards. "Every bar in Tomahawk is crowded with hombres full of licker and civic pride. They're bettin' their shirts, and they has been nine fights already. Everybody in Gunstock's here."

"Well, let's get goin'," said McVey, getting nervous. "The quicker it's over, the less blood there's likely to be spilt."

The first thing I knowed, they had laid hold of me and was pulling my clothes off, so it dawned on me that I must be under arrest for stealin' the stranger's clothes. Kirby dug into the baggage which was in one corner of the stall, and dragged out a funny looking pair of pants; I know now they was white silk. I put 'em on because I hadn't nothing else to put on, and they fit me like my skin. Richards tied a American flag around my waist, and they put some

spiked shoes on my feet.

I let 'em do like they wanted to, remembering what pap said about not resistin' an officer. Whilst so employed, I began to hear a noise outside, like a lot of people whooping and cheerin'. Pretty soon in come a skinny old gink with whiskers and two guns on, and he hollered: "Listen, Mac, dern it, a big shipment of gold is down there waitin' to be took off by the evenin' stage, and the whole blame town is deserted on account of this foolishness. Suppose Comanche Santry and his gang gets wind of it?"

"Well," said McVey, "I'll send Kirby here to help you guard it."

"You will like hell," said Kirby; "I'll resign as deputy first. I got every cent of my dough on this scrap, and I aim to see it."

"Well, send somebody!" said the old codger. "I got enough to do runnin' my store, and the stage stand, and the post office, without—"

He left, mumbling in his whiskers, and I said: "Who's that?"

"Aw," said Kirby, "that's old man Braxton that runs that store down at the other end of town, on the east side of the street. The post office is in there, too."

"I got to see him," I said, "there's a letter—"

Just then another man come surging in and hollered: "Hey, is your man ready? Everybody's gettin' impatient."

*To be continued.*

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Matt Sowell

**Pastor Kathy Monroe**

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9:30 am

**Sunday Morning Worship**

10:45 am

**Sunday Evening Worship**

6:30 pm

**Wednesday**

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship

Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm

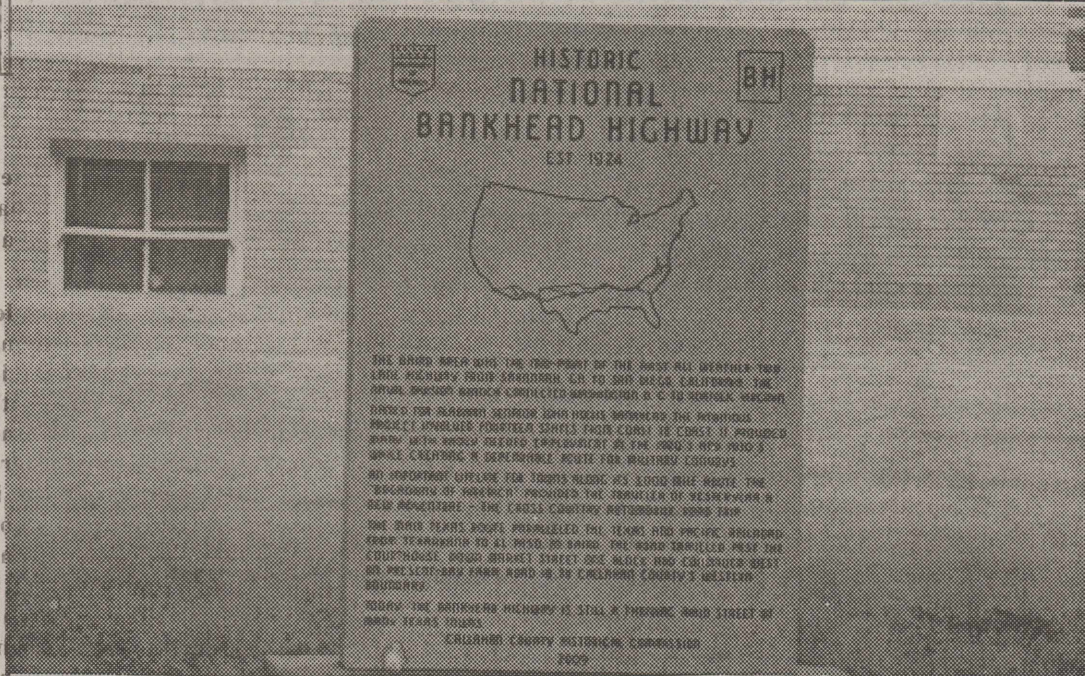
Children Choir 6:30 pm

**Ronnie B. White, Pastor**

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# COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT



## First Things First

Don't forget the July 4th program at the Cottonwood Community Center. It's your opportunity to get started on the 4th of July activities early and have time for other programs, picnics, whatever.

It starts at 10:00 a.m. and the emphasis is on the flag and children participation. So bring your children and grandchildren and enjoy the beginnings of a patriotic holiday. Families are requested to bring finger foods for the activities after the program.

And don't forget the BAKE SALE in Cross Plains at the Village Market on July 4th. Selling starts at 9 a.m. and closes when they run out of baked goods. This operation will benefit the Volunteer Fire Control Unit of Cottonwood. Bring your baked items to the store at 9 a.m.

Have you noticed that nothing ever gets done in Cottonwood without good folks stepping up to volunteer. Andy every act of volunteering is appreciated by the folks who benefit, not only the folks at the volunteer Fire Control Unit, but the folks also who they respond to when an emergency arises. So do good, bake a recipe from the Cottonwood Cookbook and feel proud to be alive.

## Bankhead Highway Gets Memorial Dedicated Last Saturday

Nothing could have pleased me more than to have participated in the dedication ceremonies commemorating the old Bankhead Highway that took place in Baird on June 27th during Market Daze. It was a

great day all around, as the Baird Chamber of Commerce sponsored "Trade Daze".

The "Daze" schedule started off with a 5K and 10K "Getaway Run" along the old Bankhead Highway from Baird to Clyde.

There were vendors of all kinds along Market Street in Baird, as people unfolded their tents and got ready for a brief and intense day of activity.

There were Street Dancers, opening of the old T&P Railway Museum, in which Model Railroad trains ran to the delight of youngsters and lectures for the adults. The subjects were about such things the famous Racehorse "Traveler" and his long list of progenies which figured in Baird's history. There were also lectures on the Old Bankhead Highway and the Texas Rangers.

There was a Vintage Automobile display plus farm equipment and motorcycles by the dozens. And there was a "Vintage" automobile parade. Carol and I were fortunate in that we chose a 1956 Chevy Bel Air vintage 1956, the year we got married.

The Vintage Auto Parade went down Market Street from the T&P Station to the county Courthouse and around to stop at the front of the courthouse where the dedication of the Bankhead Highway Memorial took place.

Then there was a Street Dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. the next day. Carol and I did not participate in the night dance, my sore lege would not permit it, and we had another function that night in Cross Plains.

But the dedication of the Bankhead Highway memorial was somewhat of a triumph for me, because as a child, and again, as a senior in high school, I sat in my father's Blue Arrow Filling Station, across the street from the Courthouse and watched a "parade" of old automobiles with baggage and tents tied on top and kitchen utensils hanging from the sides. They were passing by on their way to California.

They were fleeing the Dust Bowl of Oklahoma and Texas, the Depression, and other calamities that shook the nation in the early and late 30's.

And also I watched this nation prepare for war, as convey after convoy, in endless strings of 20 to 30 military trucks each spread along the Old Bankhead Highway going east to Louisiana for maneuvers.

Those were exciting sights and days for me, a young boy from Turkey Creek, who had never been farther from home than Abilene. It was my Horace Greely's call "go west young man." And later, I did. And now that the old Bankhead Highway has been properly memorialized at its mid point in its traverse across the nation, a chapter has been closed thus satisfies us all.

(Please call Wallace Bennett for any personal or local news items about Cottonwood or people living in Cottonwood concerning personal or local business. My telephone number 254-725-7474 and my e-mail address is wwwcsb555@dishmail.net. Please remember, I can't print it, if I don't know about it.)

## LIBRARY NOTES

June 22-26, 2009

Patrons:	120
Books Checked Out:	158
Programs:	50
Summer Reading Program	45
Other	5
Copies:	2
Reference:	10
Internet Users:	62
Interlibrary Loans:	1

Donations:  
Stan Painter

## Book Donations:

Betty Browning  
Ginny Hoskins  
The Terstegge Family  
In Memory of Ken Farmer

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Kevin Dunn  
Suzy Stiver-Nash  
Arlene Stephenson  
Ginny Hoskins  
Michelle Kaiser  
Wilma Lawrence

## Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are now being held every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 to 7:00 pm at the Cross Plains Church of Christ Activity Center on East Highway 36.

For additional information, contact Claude at 254-725-4496 or Diana at 254-725-4670.

## Scranton Musical set for July 4th

The Scranton musical will be held on Saturday, July 4, 2009 at the Scranton community center. The kitchen will open at 5:30 p.m. The special will be bar-b-que sandwiches. We invite all area musicians to come out to play. Everyone can enjoy good music and a safe place to celebrate the fourth. Musicians may call 325-692-2057 to reserve a place for your group to play. Mark Ray will be the emcee.

## SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 6th- Movie Day @ 10:00am/ Coke Floats 12:30pm  
Tuesday, 7th- Exercise Classes- 11:00 am/ FREE Manicures @ 10:30am  
Wednesday, 8th- Blood Pressure Checks by Girling 10:30-11:30am  
Thursday, 9th- Exercise Classes- 11:00am  
Friday, 10th- Melody McWilliams will sale stamps and other supplies from the CP Post Office/ Bingo 12:30pm

## Farmers Market

Do you have an abundance of fruits and vegetables from your garden? The Center has a table that is designed for produce for the Seniors. If you have extra gar-

den items please bring them to the center and we will put them out to help our seniors get fresh fruits and vegetables.

## Senior Center can use your leftover Garage Sale Items

The Senior Center is always collecting gently used items for a fundraiser rummage sale. The plan is to have a sale in the Spring and Fall when the City Wide Sale takes place. If you're spring cleaning now and don't want to have a sale of your own, call the

center. If you have had a yard sale, we would appreciate your donation of leftovers! We can pick it up or you may bring it to the center at 108 N. Main Street. We have plenty of room to store it until the sale.

## Do you know someone who can benefit from a Home Delivered Meal???

Do you know someone that would benefit from a Home Delivered Meal?

The Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center would always like to know if you or someone you know would benefit from a Home Delivered Meal. The meals are

delivered Monday-Friday from 11:45-12:45pm. A hot, nutritious, and delicious meal is available for those who qualify. Please feel free to call the Center Monday-Friday from 9:00am - 2:00 pm to see if we can help. 254-725-6521

## Senior Center is having a FUND-RAISER!

The Senior Center is raising money! A donation will be made to the Center in the amount of \$250.00 if the Center can raise an additional \$250.00. The idea is to get the donation matched by the community. If you are able to

donate any amount of money it will be greatly appreciated. There will be jars located around the city for your convenience. Please help your seniors in your community. The deadline for donations is June 30th.

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JULY 6 - 10

MONDAY-Chicken Salad Sandwich, Pork & Beans, Chips & Dessert, Milk/Tea/Coffee  
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## Annual 42 Tournament Slated for 4th of July

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**BREAKTHRU**  
By Don Davis  
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"As I Have Loved You"

Jesus told his disciples to "love one another as I have loved you...by this all will know that you are my disciples." John 13:34-35

Dr. Maxwell Maltz, author and plastic surgeon, told of a woman who had such love for her husband. Her husband had risked his life in an unsuccessful attempt to rescue his parents from a burning building. He was so badly burned his face was completely disfigured and looked grotesque. He withdrew from everyone and stayed locked in his room. He consistently refused corrective surgery. Finally, in desperation, his wife went to Dr. Maltz with a strange request. "I want you to disfigure my face so I can share in his pain, then maybe he will let me back into his life."

Dr. Maltz was shocked and denied her request. He was so moved by her love for her husband that we went to speak to him. Knocking on his door, he called out, "I'm a plastic surgeon, and I want you to know that I can restore your face." No response. He then told the man of his wife's request, "She wants me to disfigure her face to make her face look like yours in hope that you will let her back into your life. That's how much she loves you." There was a brief moment of silence, and then, ever so slowly, the door began to open.

That's how Jesus loves us. He went to the cross for us. Will we return his love?

I encourage you to join with us for worship and Bible Study this Sunday at the Cross Plains Church of Christ.

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## The Doctors Prescription for Health

Column written by Albert M. Kincheloe DO Medical Director Cross Plains Community Health Center, 200 North Main Street Cross Plains, TX 76443. Telephone: 254-725-4311

### Oh, My Aching Back! Part II

In our first segment, we dealt with two of the main groups of causes of back pain. As you may recall, these two groups of causes included problems originating in the muscles and/or ligaments. The second group of causes of back pain involve some sort of abnormality involving the nerves supplying that particular area of involvement producing back pain.

The third causes of back pain involves our old friend the disc.

The disc lies between the vertebrae and functions as a shock absorber. There can also be several problems with a disc that may cause back pain.

A very common disc problem that causes back pain is a degenerated disc. In this case, the disc has simply worn thinner over the years. This degeneration allows the vertebrae to move closer together due to the force of gravity. As a result, the weight bearing parts of the vertebrae will have to support an abnormal amount of weight. The vertebral ligaments also become more lax, allowing some small, abnormal movements in the vertebrae. Such abnormal movement will often cause irritation. The end result is often pain and stiffness. When a person is overweight, has a sub optimal diet, smokes, does heavy manual labor, or a variety of other things, pain will often be present.

The commonly understood disc problem that causes back pain is the "ruptured disc". In this case, the disc side has actually worn thin enough to split, allowing the thick material in the middle of the disc to

squirt out and put pressure on the spinal nerve. The end result is pain.

Another major cause of back pain lies within abnormalities of the bony vertebra itself.

Common causes can be osteoporosis, facet arthritis, neuroforaminal stenosis, spinal canal stenosis, and multiple other less common problems.

The facets are the part of the vertebrae that actually are the major weight-bearing structures of the spine. When arthritis occurs there, significant back pain can be produced. Back pain due to facet arthritis is usually significantly increased with prolonged sitting, standing, riding or when a person straightens up.

Neuroforaminal stenosis is simply a narrowing of the opening between two vertebrae where the spinal nerve exits enroute to the particular part of the body where it serves.

Spinal stenosis is actually a narrowing of the spinal canal through which the spinal cord travels. Degenerative changes in the vertebral bony structure are one of the major reasons for spinal stenosis.

In medicine, we commonly see patients who have a combination of one or more of these reasons for back pain. Once a diagnosis is made, there are often medical interventions that may help.

If back pain occurs, and has not improved in a reasonable amount of time, seek medical help. Treatment could be simpler than you think.

Next week we will discuss means of preventing back pain. Until then, here's to your health, happiness, and peace.

## Harris/Brown Reunion Announced for Saturday, July 11th

The 2009 Reunion of the Harris and Brown families is scheduled for Saturday, July 11th, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Community Center in Cross Plains, located next to the Multi-Purpose Center at 700 East 1st St. (the old Pioneer Highway). Family members, please bring enough food for your immediate

family. Plates, napkins and drinks will be furnished. Bring crafts and gifts to be raffled to benefit the Reunion Association.

Family and family friends are encouraged to come and enjoy a day of fellowship and reminiscing. Call Bill Porter at 254-725-7482 for more information.

## Go Hunt, Go Fish, Go Texan Commissioner Staples launches new wildlife initiative

GO TEXAN brand adds state's abundance of outdoor activities to its promotion of Texas culture

AUSTIN—Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples is pleased to announce the newly established GO TEXAN Wildlife Initiative, which targets businesses and organizations that focus on wildlife recreation, is now accepting memberships.

"We're excited about this opportunity to promote businesses and organizations that are based around Texas' diverse and extensive wildlife resources," Commissioner Staples said. "There is nothing more Texan than enjoying the great outdoors. It just makes good sense to combine our award-winning marketing campaign with what makes our state special our impressive wildlife activities. So, Go Hunt, Go Fish, GO TEXAN."

The new GO TEXAN Wildlife Initiative puts an emphasis on the culture of Texas, much of which is defined by two of the state's greatest outdoor assets: hunting and fishing.

Established as a new category in the GO TEXAN marketing campaign, the Wildlife Initiative was created to promote Texas wildlife businesses and organizations. Eligible members include those involved in hunting, fishing, exotic animal farms, fisheries, and the organizations and associations devoted to these activities.

"This is an excellent idea to extend the GO TEXAN marketing program to our hunting, wildlife management and fishing activities in Texas," Texas Wildlife Association President Tina Buford said. "Texas is a premier destination for hunting, fishing and

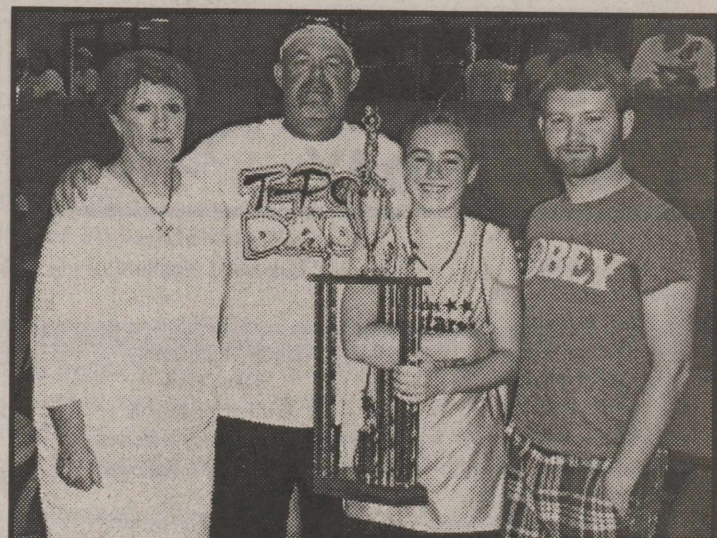
agritourism on our private lands, ranches and waters. This private-public partnership to promote Texas outdoor opportunities is really unique. We appreciate Commissioner Staples for his vision and leadership in this arena."

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, a sister state agency that in 2007 concluded that fish/wildlife-related recreation has a \$15.8 billion economic impact on the state, applauds the initiative.

"It is exciting to see the GO TEXAN Wildlife Initiative emphasizing two of our state's greatest economic and recreational assets: hunting and fishing," Carter Smith, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department executive director said. "Nature tourism activities connect people with wildlife and we support Texans who are engaged in sustainable, wildlife-friendly enterprises that provide economic incentives to protect native wildlife and habitat."

For a \$25 fee, GO TEXAN membership benefits include:

- Use of the GO TEXAN certification to tap into Texas loyalty
  - Listing on the GO TEXAN Web site, which is heavily marketed by TDA
  - Opportunities to participate in GO TEXAN promotions
  - Negotiated rates on advertising opportunities
  - Receipt of GO TEXAN e-mail and print infoletters
  - Listing of events on Web site and in print and online publications
  - Opportunity to apply for GO TEXAN Partner Program (GOTEPP) matching funds
- To join the GO TEXAN Wildlife Initiative, visit the Web site at [www.gotexan.org](http://www.gotexan.org)



**NATIONAL LITTLE DRIBBLERS TOURNAMENT—**Saturday, June 13th, Judy Porter traveled to Levelland, Tx. to watch her granddaughter play in the finals of the National Little Dribblers Tournament. Taylor Porter was a member of the Snyder Major All-Starts from Snyder. She is the daughter of Chris Porter, granddaughter of Bill and Judy Porter and great-granddaughter of Lerlene Fortune. Taylor was a starting member of the team that went undefeated through the tournament culminating in a 30 - 24 victory over the Tyler Major All-Starts. It was Snyder's second victory over Tyler in the tournament. Pictured is Judy Porter (from left), Chris Porter, Taylor Porter and Tyler Porter.

## Dove Seasons Set

AUSTIN, Texas—The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service SRC (Service Regulation Committee) has approved the 2009-2010 Texas dove season, including a 70-day season and 15-bird daily bag statewide, and a 16-day early teal season.

Additionally, the SRC approved moving the Texas South Zone dove season opening the Friday nearest Sept. 20th, but no earlier than the 17th. This year the season will open Sept. 18th.

Texas dove season in the North and Central Dove Zones will run from Tuesday, Sept. 1st through Sunday, Oct. 25th and reopen Saturday, Dec. 26th through Sunday, Jan. 9th, with a 15-bird bag and not more than two white-tipped doves.

The South Zone dove season will run Sept. 18th-Nov. 3th, reopening Dec. 26th-Jan. 17th with a 15-bird bag and not more than two white-tipped doves.

Possession limit is twice the daily bag for all migratory game birds except light geese, which currently does not have a possession limit.

The Special South Texas White-winged Dove Area will open to white-winged dove afternoon-only (noon to

sunset) hunting the first two full weekends in September running from Sept. 5th-6th and 12-13 and reopen when the regular South Zone season begins on Friday, Sept. 18th through Tuesday, Nov. 3rd and again from Saturday, Dec. 26th through Wednesday, Jan. 13th. The Special White-winged Dove Area season takes four of the allowable 70 days, so when the regular season opens, this area most close four days earlier than the rest of the South Zone. The daily bag limit is 15 birds, not more than four mourning doves during the first two weekend splits and 2 white-tipped doves. Once the general season opens, the aggregate bag limit will be 15.

The Service also approved a proposal to give TPWD the option to adjust a portion of the boundary of the Special White-winged Dove Area. This change would remove portions of Jim Hogg and Starr counties.

Texas' 16-day September teal season will run Sept. 12th-27th.

The season for rail and gallinule is Sept. 12th-27th and Oct. 31st-Dec. 23rd; for snipe, Oct. 31st-Feb. 14th; and for woodcock, Dec. 18th-Jan. 31st.

## Texas Mammals: Big, Small, and Everything in Between

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

Texas is a land full of abundant natural surprises that vary in shape and size. From our rolling hills to the delicate petals of the bluebonnet, our state has many distinctive traits and symbols that make us proud to be Texans. With a state so vast and with so much to offer, it should come as no surprise that we have selected not just one, but three different state mammals.

*Dasyus novemcinctus*, more commonly known as the nine-banded armadillo, is the state's small mammal. This cat-sized creature gets its name from the peculiar nine-jointed bands across the midsection that allows it to move with greater flexibility. Their sleek armored shell and piercing dark eyes have mesmerized spectators for ages. Once found only in the lower Rio Grande Valley, armadillos have now spread to our neighboring states and beyond.

Because of their poor eyesight, armadillos are forced to rely completely on their sense of smell and sound in order to decipher prey from other predators. Contrary to popular belief, this species of armadillo does not roll into a ball when startled. Instead, armadillos can jump nearly five feet in the air.

Perhaps the most recognizable of our three state mammals is the Texas Longhorn. This breed of cattle

serves as the official mascot of the University of Texas and is also the official symbol of Fort Worth - nicknamed "Cowntown."

Longhorns are the only breed of cattle that have truly adapted to the North American lifestyle and are most unique in that their existence is based solely on their ability to survive the perils of nature. Climate changes and environmental complications have taken their toll on other animals, including the ancient bison and the woolly mammoth, which were not able to adapt to the changes of the land. But the Texas Longhorn outlasted them all and continues to roam throughout Texas.

Perhaps Texas columnist James Frank Dobie put it best when he said, "The Texas Longhorn was bred not by man but shaped by nature and man benefited."

Texas' third official state mammal is the only one of the three that can fly - the Mexican free-tailed bat. These mammals are unique in that they use echolocation, a technique that helps them navigate and find prey in the dark.

Mexican free-tailed bats are an unusual bunch that can be found in the caves of Texas, Mexico, and other regions in Central America. Their colonies are so numerous that they are regarded as being the biggest assembly of mammals in the world. Bracken Cave, a remote area north of San Antonio, is home to nearly 20

million bats that can eat up to 250 tons of insects each night.

Thousands of people journey to Austin during the warm summer months to catch a glimpse of the estimated 1.5 million bats that live under the Congress Avenue Bridge. For the last three years, Austin has hosted Bat Fest to honor the state's flying mammals, which draws tens of thousands of people. Within view of the state capitol, travelers are able to witness the winged mammals take flight across the radiant Texas night sky. Come winter, most bats will migrate to Mexico though a few thousand will stay around Austin. The rest will come back in the spring.

From small animals that slurp their evening meals to soaring figures that hover high above the trees, Texas is certainly the place to observe a wide variety of animals. The three mammals handpicked to represent our state are more than just creatures that live among us. They are striking representations of all that Texas has to offer and contribute much to the essence of our state.

Sen. Cornyn serves on the Finance, Judiciary and Budget Committees. He serves as the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee's Immigration, Refugees and Border Security subcommittee. He served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice, and Bexar County District Judge.

## Mosquito facts and protection from West Nile Disease

Texas Tech University Health Services Center-After a mild winter and recent early summer rains in West Texas, mosquitoes are coming. People will be suffering from the annoying itch of mosquito bites. Before you worry about West Nile Infection, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center epidemiologist Ronald Warner, D.V.M., Ph. D., reminds us of some facts and methods to prevent this mosquito-borne disease.

Dr. Werner, in the Department of Family and Community Medicine, said between March and June, "West Nile" mosquitoes prefer to feed on birds such as crows, ravens, robins, sparrows and jays. July to October, these mosquitoes shift their feeding preference to mammals, including humans. The female mosquitoes need to feast on protein enriched foods (blood) to develop and form their eggs. Once winter arrives adult mosquitoes will seek shelter in attics and under shingles and the bark on trees. Some unhatched mosquito eggs will be resistant to winter and survive until the return of spring rains.

"Domestic pets, such as dogs and cats are rarely infected with West Nile, but horses, mules and donkeys are much more susceptible," Warner said. "There are several vaccinations to help to prevent your horses from being infected by the West Nile Virus."

Depending on a person's age

and health condition, some may have serious effects from West Nile virus, if infected. Underlying diseases such as hypertension and kidney disease appear to increase the severity of West Nile disease. Younger people, especially transplant patients and others with immune suppression (e.g. cancer treatment), can also suffer severe effects.

On average, most West Nile diseases are acquired near the home because that is where people spend most of their outdoor time. Outdoor candles, torches and/or coils may be burned to produce a smoke that repels mosquitoes, but make sure the active ingredients contains the oil of citronella. Be aware of general fire hazards and use only under calm or windless weather conditions. A few more household tips to keep in mind: Keep your grass fairly short, remove weeds in your alley, and always remember to practice the "4D's".

• **DEET** is the active ingredient in "Off" but avoid applying high-concentrations (no more than 50% DEET); no more than 10% on small children. Also, use skin repellents sparingly; one application should last 4-6 hours, but apply after profuse sweating or swimming.

• **Dress** appropriately if outdoors; wear long sleeves, long pants and apply mosquito repellent to the remaining area of skin that is not covered by your clothing. Permethrin-

containing repellents (permanone) may be put on clothing, shoes and camping gear. Permethrin-treated clothing repels ticks, mosquitoes and other arthropods and retains this effect even after repeated washings. However, if a garment is dry-cleaned, the repellent will need to be reapplied.

• **Dusk & Dawn** are the times during the day when mosquitoes are the most active.

• **Drain** ALL standing water around your home. Wading pools-drain every other day; also flower pot basins, dog bowls, and kids toys. Any standing water will attract mosquitoes and provide a place for their eggs to develop and hatch.

There are many myths about mosquitoes. Warner said one myth is mosquitoes become larger with more rain; that is false.

"In Texas alone there are approximately 80 different documented species of mosquitoes. The time of year and local weather conditions determine what type of species we will have," Warner said.

Warner added that eating bananas, washing your mouth with Listerine and wearing dark clothes will not protect you from mosquito bites. Just remember to practice the 4D's and look for the active ingredients that help protect you and your loved ones.

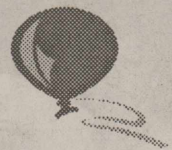
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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Helping Hearts & Hands Need Applicants for Annual Project

Dear Editor:

I enjoyed the anniversary edition very much.

One note: I think the unidentified person in the photo with Jack Scott and Chase Adams was Phil Bingham. He was part of the team for several years, setting type and operating the press.

His brother is mentioned in the article about local men who were serving in the Pacific at the time of the Pearl Harbor attack.

Again, thanks for your good work on the special edition.

Joe Kendrick

**Editor's Note:** Since the publishing of the 100th anniversary edition, I have discovered additional former employees of the *Cross Plains Review* including the late Clyde Bunnell and Jack Baum of Cross Plains. The late Mabel Falls Halsell was also omitted as a columnist. Please accept our apology for these omissions.

Vanda Anderson

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#### Misdemeanor Filings

Maria G. Carrion, driving while intoxicated (DWI).  
 Casey Joe Drinkard, driving while license invalid (DWLI).

#### Misdemeanor Minutes

Leellen Geneva Johnson, request for extension of probation granted.

Laura M. Goodwin, plea of guilty to theft by check, 30 days in jail, \$500 fine, \$355 court costs and restitution.

Christina Cooper, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice.

Alton W. Gober, motion to dismiss to terroristic threat granted in the interest of justice.

Lisa G. McCarty, plea of guilty to DWI - class B, 1 year probation, \$410 court costs.

Anthony Fiorentini, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Marc Monson, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Marc Monson, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 15 month probation, \$1200 fine, \$310 court costs.

John M. Kinkade, plea of guilty to DWI - class B, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$410 court costs.

Robin K. Jasso, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 18 month probation, \$700 fine, \$310 court costs.

Wilson W. Syring, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$310 court costs.

Robert A. Kellerman, motion to dismiss to DWI granted for participation in pre-trial diversion.

Timothy S. Davis, plea of guilty to burglary of a coin operated machine, 225 days in jail, \$500 fine, \$330 court costs and restitution.

Johnny Guerrero, Jr., plea of guilty to obstruction of a highway, 18 month probation, \$2000 fine, \$310 court costs.

Cameron D. Holson, motion to dismiss to DWLI granted for plea to other case.

Michelle D. Johnson, motion to dismiss to theft granted, witness unwilling to testify.

Laura Siewert, plea of guilty to possession of a dangerous drug, 1 year probation, \$200 fine, \$310 court costs.

Laura Wilson Siewert, motion to dismiss to public intoxication granted for plea to other case.

Marty L. Yarbrough, plea of guilty to obstruction of a highway, 1 year probation, \$1200 fine, \$310 court costs.

Clayton E. James, plea of guilty to DWI - class B, 1 year probation, \$200 fine, \$410 court costs.

Teodoro Melchor, plea of guilty to DWI - class B, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$385 court costs.

Lynn S. Russell, plea of guilty to DWI - class B, 1 year probation, \$750 fine, \$410 court costs.

Jessica E. Parsons, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Nolan Co. granted.

Staci D. Baker, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Brown Co. granted.

Leslie E. Robinson, plea of guilty to deadly conduct, 1 year probation, \$4000 fine, \$250 court costs.

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Jared C. Wooten and Amber D. King, both of Cisco.

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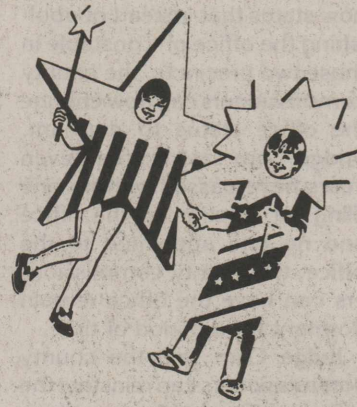


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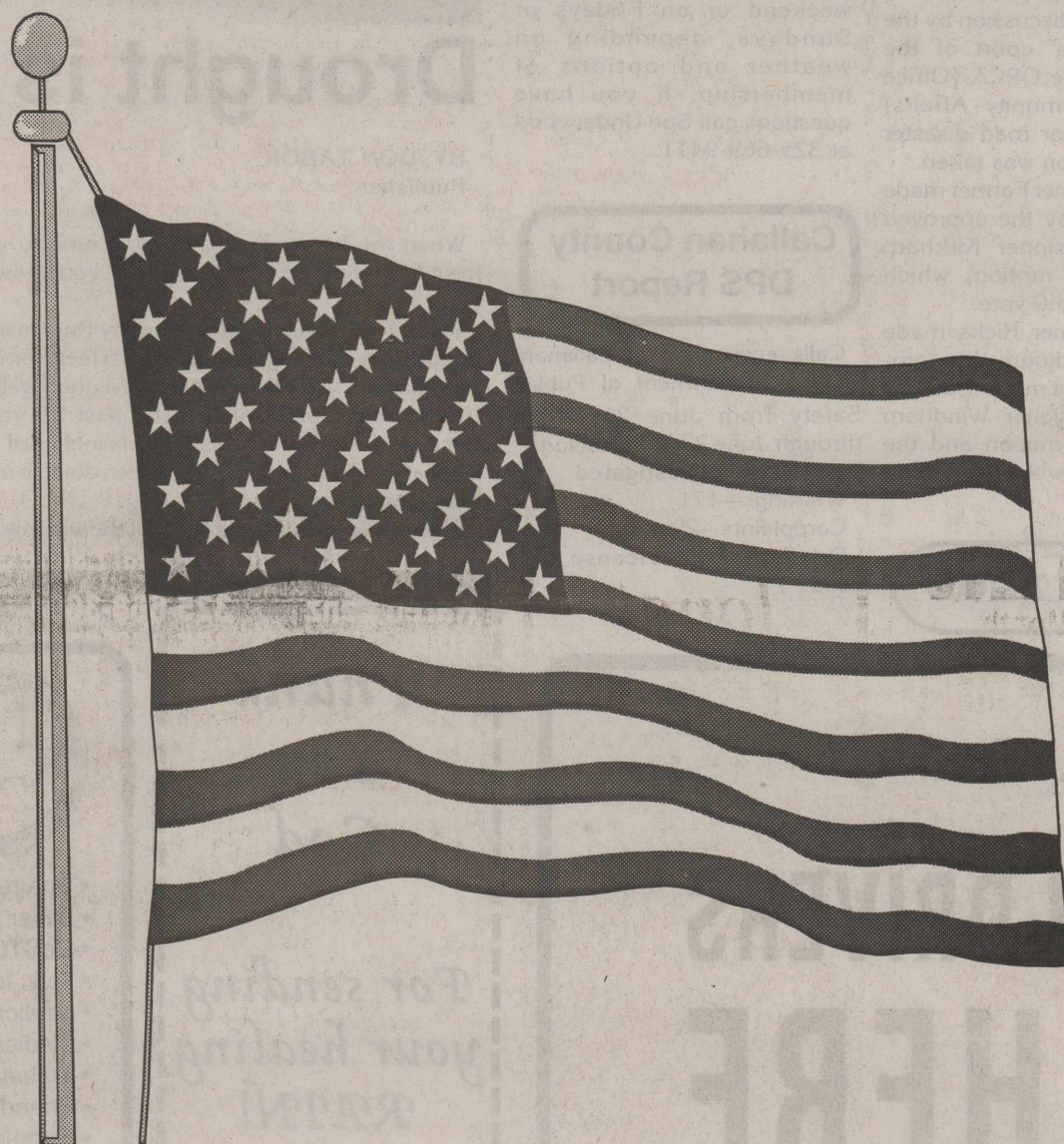
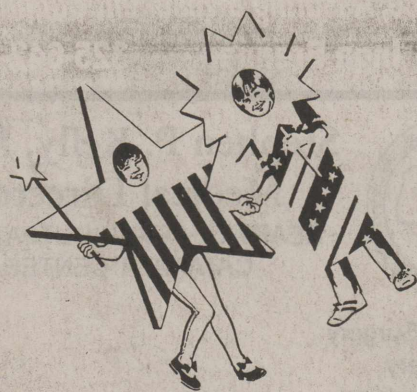
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## Clyde, Baird Constable positions now dormant

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court voted to make the office of Constable in Clyde and Baird dormant during the court's monthly meeting held Monday, June 22nd at the County Courthouse in Baird.

The offices of Constable in Precinct #1 (Clyde) and Precinct #3 have been vacant for over nine years, according to County Judge Roger Corn.

Judge Corn said the state law now states that instead of abolishing the office of Constable in those two precincts, the county commissioners can now change the office status to dormant. Judge Corn said if after seven years have passed with no one filing for election to the office and no one appointed to the office, the county commissioners can have the office remain dormant for a period of time.

Judge Corn said the county commissioners can reinstate the office of Constable or call an election in that particular precinct at any time.

Judge Corn said no one has been interested in serving the Precinct #1 and Precinct #3 office of Constable because of the pay. He said the constable receives \$1.00 per month and any filing fees he generates for the office.

Currently, Ed Duncan is the only Constable serving in Callahan County. Duncan represents Precinct #4 (Cross Plains).

Judge Corn said one person can make a fairly good living at serving as constable for the entire county.

On a motion by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham and a second by Commissioner Bryan Farmer, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to make the Constable positions in Precinct #1 (Clyde), and Precinct #3 (Baird) dormant.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Present were Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct

#2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct #4 Cliff Kirkham, County Treasurer Dianne Gunter, and County Clerk Donna Bell.

—The minutes of the previous commissioners' court meeting were reviewed and signed.

—Under public comments, there were none.

—County Sheriff John Windham gave the Sheriff's Report for the month of May.

Sheriff Windham reported 11,928 total miles were driven in May with 14 citations issued.

There were eight arrests made, with 34 traffic stops and 36 agency assists. Business checks were 24, citizens assists were 40 and non-report calls totalled 45.

Deputies worked a total of 20 criminal cases during the month of May. These cases included three for assaults, two for terrorist threats, seven for theft, one unattended death, three for criminal mischief, one for possession of marijuana, and one for cruelty to animals.

During the month of May, the County Jail took in 37 subjects for incarceration by other agencies, as well as two additional persons on self-committals. This combined with deputy arrests of eight persons, resulted in a total of 47 persons incarcerated in the jail during the month of May.

—Veterans Service Officer Tom Ivey gave the annual Veterans Administration Report for the 2008 fiscal year.

—There was discussion by the commissioners' court of the progress on the ORCA (Office of Rural Community Affairs) award of bid for road disaster repair. No action was taken.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion, which carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 unanimous vote.

## Rising Star Native Honored at Howard Payne University

BROWNWOOD - June 2009 - Rising Star native Chelsea Murphree received honors at Howard Payne University for the spring 2009 semester by being named to the President's List.

Students must earn a 4.0 grade point average to be named to the President's List, a 3.65-3.99 grade point average to be named to the Dean's List, and a 3.5-3.64 grade point average to be named to the Honor Roll.

## Callahan County Riding Club Schedule

The schedule for the 2009 Callahan County Riding Club season is below. All regularly scheduled play days will begin with trainers/exhibitions at 6:30 and the events beginning at 7:00 pm. Check us out on the web for updates at HYPERLINK "<http://www.callahancountyridingclub.com>"

**JULY DATES**  
Saturday, July 11th;  
Saturday, July 18th; Saturday, July 25th.

**AUGUST DATES**  
Saturday, August 8th;  
Saturday, August 15th;  
Saturday, August 22nd;  
Saturday, August 29th.

Any rain-outs or make-up days will be held on the open weekend or on Fridays or Sundays, depending on weather and options of membership. If you have questions call Sue Underwood at 325-669-9411.



## Drought is for the birds!

BY: DON TABOR  
Publisher

When the buzzards and hawks come to your front door wanting a drink of water, you know it's dry.

When I run water sprinklers on my front lawn, a puddle forms on the walk about 15 feet from my front door. Thank the Lord I have a good well, so I have been doing this for the past 25 years. Because we have had less than six inches of rain in the past nine months, I have been doing it more than usual lately.

About 10 days ago, I looked out the window and

saw a big buzzard getting a drink at the puddle. (See top photo.) He hung around for a couple of days and then left when the puddle dried up.

Then, last Thursday, a big hawk was at the same puddle. (See bottom photo.) He hung around even after the puddle dried up, which sorely perplexed the small neighborhood birds, especially the bluejays which would divebomb him frequently.

During that quarter century I've been watering the lawn, I've never seen one, much less two, large birds do this.

Boy! This horrible drought we're having is for the birds!

## Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from June 21, 2009 through June 27, 2009 include:

**Cases Investigated**  
Warnings—171  
Complaints—29  
Driving While License Invalid—1

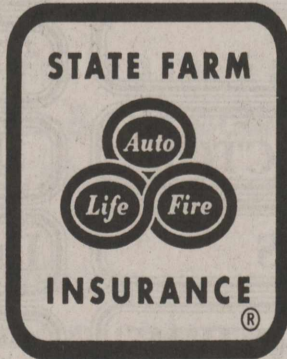
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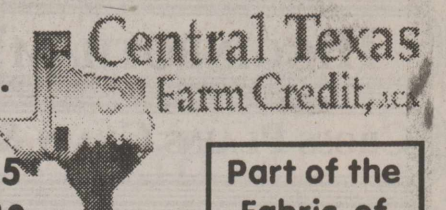
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## History of the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance

The original Pledge of Allegiance was written by Francis Bellamy. It was first given wide publicity through the official program of the National Public Schools Celebration of Columbus Day which was printed in The Youth's Companion of September 8, 1892, and at the same time sent out in leaflet form to schools throughout the country. School children first recited the Pledge of Allegiance this way:

"I pledge allegiance to my Flag and to the republic for which it stands one Nation indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

"The flag of the United States" replaced the words "my Flag" in 1923 because some foreign-born people might have in mind the flag of the country of their birth instead of the United States flag. A year later, "of America" was added after "United States."

No form of the Pledge received official recognition by Congress until June 22, 1942, when the Pledge was formally included in

the U.S. Flag Code. The official name of The Pledge of Allegiance was adopted in 1945. The last change in language came on Flag Day 1954, when Congress passed a law, which added the words "under God" after "one nation."

Originally, the pledge was said with the right hand in the so-called "Bellamy Salute," with the right hand resting first outward from the chest, then the arm extending out from the body. Once Hitler came to power in Europe, some Americans were concerned that this position of the arm and hand resembled the Nazi or Fascist salute. In 1942 Congress also established the current practice of rendering the pledge with the right hand over the heart.

The Flag Code specifies that any future changes to the pledge would have to be with the consent of the President.

Courtesy of the American Legion

## Lone Star Texas License plate set to hit Texas Roadways

Last year, Texas citizens said yes to a colorful new license plate to replace the current design introduced nine years ago.

The new plate—The Lone Star Texas—took the top spot last February among five designs that were posted online for public viewing and voting. It features the big Texas sky with wide brushes of blue and red, the familiar Lone Star, and the mountains of West Texas.

But, don't run out and purchase the new plates just yet. The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is encouraging residents of Callahan County to be good environmental stewards. Don't buy new plates until your old plates have expired. License plates are good for seven years. If you wait, you get the new plates at no additional charge. Texans loved the designs.

TxDOT received e-mails from close to 10,000 citizens explaining why they voted for a particular design, and thanking the agency for giving them the opportunity to choose. The citizens of this state spoke with 1.1 million e-votes, 455,878 of those cast for the Lone Star Texas.

This is also the first of the new seven-character combinations. TxDOT has finally exhausted the alpha-numeric license plate patterns for the current six-character version. It's the perfect time to introduce a new plate design.

More importantly, the citizens spoke. The result is the Lone Star Texas plate—coming soon to our county tax office and our designated locations for handling titles, registration and renewal.

Go to [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) for more information.

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## How safe is your Home?

BY: RONNIE BROADUS  
Callahan Co. Sheriff's Office

How safe is your home? Here is a short home security checklist that hits on the major things you should take a look at in order to make your home less of a target to thieves. Remember, burglars prefer to choose the easy mark, so you want to do everything possible to make your house look undesirable to people looking to make a quick easy buck.

### Home Security Checklist:

- Exterior doors should have good quality cylinder locks plus deadbolts with 3 inch screws. This includes sliding doors.
- All door frames should be reinforced so that doors can't be broken down with a kick. (Doors should be made out of solid wood or metal. Hollow-core wooden doors are too easy to penetrate and should only be used on interior doorways.)
- Landscape for visibility instead of privacy. Though our natural inclination may be to cut ourselves off from neighbors and street passersby, it is better from a security standpoint to

eliminate or trim trees and shrubs that could provide a hiding place for burglars or shelter their actions from the house/street.

- Use locks on garages and storage sheds, and keep tools (especially ladders that burglars could use to reach second-story windows) inside and out of sight.
- Use outdoor lighting to keep all entrances to your house well-lit (photosensitive lights go on automatically when night falls, or to conserve energy you can get motion detecting or heat sensing lights that go on when triggered). Again, the object is to eliminate hiding places for burglars.
- Glass break detectors on windows sound an alarm if someone tries to force entry that way and should scare off intruders.
- Make sure door and window hinges are on the inside of the house.
- Keep a home inventory up to date so that if a burglar does make it in, you can provide all the necessary information on what's missing to the police and your home insurance company.

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# Festival By The Lake 2009

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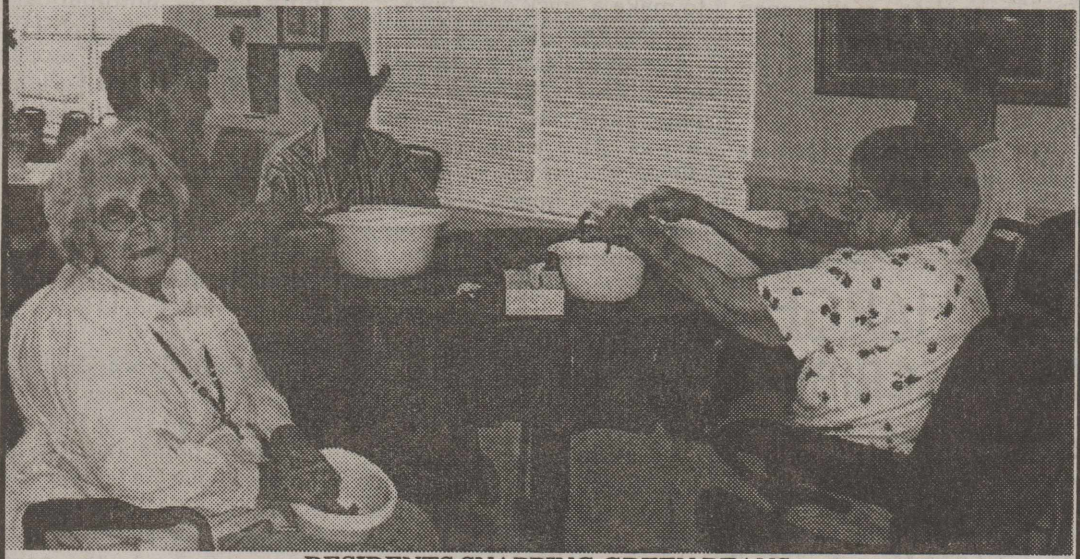
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Well, we here at Rising Star Nursing Center have been having a blast. We have been blessed with some fresh, out-of-the-garden green beans. Now myself, I was raised a city girl so these residents had to teach me how to snap the beans. They are really good at it and our dietary department has done a great job in preparing them. We have had them twice now and boy they were good! Thank you so much to Ray and Ava Dodd for bringing them.

We have National Fudge Day on last Tuesday. I prepared the fudge at home but the residents had no problem consuming it. We talked about what kinds of fudge they had made in the past. Should you put in walnuts or pecans? Well, I used the walnuts and there were NO leftovers.

Well, it was quite a day on Thursday here. We were fortunate enough to have "The Side of the Road Gang" come and perform for us. These gentlemen had a

great time and so did all of us. They played and sang for over an hour and we all really enjoyed having them.

I know most of you are aware that we have a National Nursing Home week and we whoop it up. But did you know there is also a National Nurses Week, too? It was last week and on Friday we honored our nurses and CNA's. We had good ole brisket and chicken and we all brought a salad or dessert. There was a lot of food and prizes. We couldn't exist without these great people.

What kind of Father's Day did ya'll have? Hope you made it a good one. We celebrated by first having everyone wear a tie. Yip, even the women wore ties. We also had some of the best strawberry shortcake ever made. The turnout was really good and we reminisced about how it was when they were growing up and what they did. You wouldn't

believe some of the stories that were told.

On Tuesday, we had our monthly Birthday Celebration with cake, mini-cupcakes and of course the punch. We only had one resident with a birthday this month and that was Phyllis Tucker, who celebrated on the 1st of the month. We were fortunate to have Eula Mae Grisham and Norren Pittman join us to celebrate. We had three employee birthdays and they were Helen Dias on the 18th, Dane Clark on the 24th, and Darla Moore will have one on the 29th. So, Happy Birthday to all of you and of course Many More!

We would also like to welcome our newest residents who are Nolan Taylor, Betty Patterson, Charles Coburn and Arvil Joy. We are glad you are here with us and hope you enjoy your stay.

Till next time may God bless and keep you.

# Fireworks, food, music & games at Festival by the Lake Saturday

The Clyde community will be commemorating the 233rd anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, with an Independence Day celebration this Saturday, July 4th during the City of Clyde's Festival by the Lake Fourth of July celebration, with food, music and a fireworks display over the lake at dark.

City of Clyde employees are again sponsoring this year's celebration at the lake. City of Clyde employees Terry Davis and Kenny Doss are helping with this year's celebration.

The Independence Day celebration will actually begin the day before when cook-off teams will begin preparation for this year's cook-off. The cook-off team entry deadline is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 3rd and teams will be judged in three meat categories, including ribs, chicken and brisket. Entry fee for this year's cook-off is \$60 for all three categories or \$20 for each individual category. Two other categories to be judged this year are "Jackpot beans" and "Jackpot dessert." Entry fee for those two "Jackpot" items is also \$20. Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place in all five categories and the prize amount to be awarded will depend upon the number of entries.

Davis said so far this year, 19 teams have signed-up for the cook-off—six more teams than the 13 which entered last year.

Judging of the cook-off will take place beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday with the beans category. Desserts will be judged at 12:00 noon, the chicken judging will begin at 1:00 p.m., followed by the ribs at 2:00 p.m. and the brisket judging starts at 3:00 p.m. The award ceremonies will begin at 4:00 p.m.

There is also a bass tournament planned again this year at Clyde Lake. Instead of teams, Davis said this year's fishing

tournament will be individual entry only. He said the entry fee for this year's fishing tournament is \$20 and sign-up will be available up until the morning tournament start beginning at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the first and second place winners for the biggest three-fish stringer. A "Big Bass" prize will also be offered during this year's tournament, and the entry fee for the big bass is \$5.00.

Davis said five bands are tentatively scheduled to perform at this year's festival. He said individual bands will be performing every two hours beginning at 10:00 a.m. with the Clyde local band "Last Not Lost" scheduled to begin things. Callahan Divide, Zach Harmon, Cory Bivens and Bo McDowell are also scheduled to play on stage at this year's festival. Bo McDowell is scheduled to be the final band performing.

Other activities scheduled for Saturday at the festival will be children's games such as a water balloon and egg toss. Davis said a rock climbing wall is also scheduled to set up at the lake festival this year.

A volleyball tournament, horseshoe tournament and washer pitching tournament are also scheduled this year. Sign-up for all the games and tournaments will begin at 12:00 noon.

Davis said to help get the word out to those living around Clyde, 99.7 KBCY radio station will be doing a live remote broadcast from the lake from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

Davis said food and craft booths are also planned at this year's festival. He said food booths at the lake this year are \$80 and other craft booths are \$40. Electricity and water are available at some of the booth locations. To register for a booth, contact the City of Clyde at 893-4370. Among the food booths being planned is the Clyde

Chamber of Commerce, who will be selling bar-b-que sandwiches and iced tea.

This year's celebration will conclude with a fireworks display over Clyde Lake. Rick Gilmore and the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department will be setting off fireworks beginning at dark. The City of Clyde has purchased \$3,500 in fireworks this year and the fireworks display is scheduled to last approximately 30 minutes.

Davis said all the camping sites at Clyde Lake have already been reserved. He said so many camping sites have been reserved, that some of the cook-off teams will not have water available. Davis said all 21 camping sites which have water and sewer connections, have already been reserved.

The City of Clyde will not charge an entry fee to this year's celebration, however the City of Clyde will be taking donations at the gate to the entrance at Clyde Lake. Davis said the City of Clyde is also taking cash donations for any local individual or businesses for this year's festival.

This year's major sponsor for the Festival by the Lake is Blake Fulenwider Dodge/Jeep/Chrysler in Clyde.

Other sponsors of this year's Festival include: First Financial Bank-Clyde, First National Bank Baird/Clyde, City of Clyde, Still Water Bass Club, Clyde Journal, Thrifty's Food Mart, Hawk Portable Buildings, State Farm Insurance-Clyde, Smith & Son Farm Equipment, Callahan County Veterinary Clinic, Key City Septic, Pizza House, Metal Mart, This Olde House, Emerald Boats, Shady Oaks Country Club, Lawrence Brothers IGA-Clyde, Happy Trails Western Store, Clyde Insurance Agency, Bulldog Steel, D-Bar Enterprises-Imperial Boats and Danny Hyde, White Drilling, and Anita's Food Mart.

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## Census Bureau facts on the Fourth of July

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2.5 million—In July 1776, the estimated number of people living in the newly independent nation.

307 million—The nation's population on this July Fourth.

Fourth of July Cookouts  
More than 1 in 4—The chance that the hot dogs and pork sausages consumed on the Fourth of July

July originated in Iowa. The Hawkeye State was home to 19.3 million hogs and pigs on March 1, 2009. This represents more than one-fourth of the nation's total. North Carolina (9.4 million) and Minnesota (7.3 million) were the runners-up.

6.8 billion pounds—Total production of cattle and calves in Texas in 2007. Chances are good that the beef hot dogs, steaks and burgers on your backyard grill came from the Lone Star State, which accounted for about one-sixth of the nation's total production. And if the beef did not come from Texas, it very well may have come from Nebraska (4.7 billion pounds) or Kansas (4.1 billion pounds).

6—Number of states in which the revenue from broiler chickens was \$1 billion or greater between December 2006 and November 2007. There is a good chance that one of these states Georgia, Arkansas, North Carolina,

Alabama, Mississippi or Texas is the source of your barbecued chicken.

About 4 in 10—The odds that your side dish of baked beans originated from North Dakota, which produced 39 percent of the nation's dry, edible beans in 2008. Another popular Fourth of July side dish is corn on the cob. Florida, California, Georgia and New York together accounted for 61 percent of the sweet corn produced nationally in 2008.

Please Pass the Potato Salad  
Potato salad and potato chips are popular food items at Fourth of July barbecues. Half of the nation's spuds were produced in Idaho or Washington state in 2008.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service  
More than three-fourths  
Amount of the nation's head lettuce production in 2008 that came from California. This lettuce may end up in your salad or on your burger.

More than 7 in 10

The chances that the fresh tomatoes in your salad came from California or Florida, which combined accounted for 71 percent of U.S. tomato production last year. The ketchup on your burger or hot dog probably came from California, which accounted for 96 percent of forecasted processed tomato production in 2008.

Florida—The state that led the nation in watermelon production last year (861 million pounds). Other leading producers of this popular fruit included California, Texas and Georgia, each with more than 500 million pounds.

78 million—Number of Americans who said they have

taken part in a barbecue during the previous year. It's probably safe to assume a lot of these events took place on Independence Day.

Fireworks  
\$193 million—The value of fireworks imported from China in 2008, representing the bulk of all U.S. fireworks imported (\$202 million). U.S. exports of fireworks, by comparison, came to just \$28.1 million in 2008, with Australia purchasing more than any other country (\$5.8 million).

\$17.3 million—The value of U.S. manufacturers' shipments of fireworks in 2002.  
Flags  
\$3.4 million—In 2008, the dollar value of U.S. imports of American flags. The vast majority of this amount (\$3.0 million) was for U.S. flags made in China.

\$569,400—Dollar value of U.S. flags exported in 2008. Belgium was the leading customer, purchasing \$186,400 worth.

\$349.2 million—Annual dollar value of shipments of fabricated flags, banners and similar emblems by the nation's manufacturers, according to the latest published economic census data.

Patriotic-Sounding Names  
31—Number of places nationwide with "liberty" in their name. The most populous one as of July 1, 2007, is Liberty, Mo. (29,993). Iowa, with four, has more of these places than any other state: Libertyville, New Liberty, North Liberty and West Liberty.

—Thirty-one places have "eagle" in their name after the majestic bird that serves as our

national symbol. (Places include cities, towns, villages and census-designated places.) The most populous such place is Eagle Pass, Texas, with 26,285 residents.

—Eleven places have "independence" in their name. The most populous of these is Independence, Mo., with 110,704 residents.

—Five places adopted the name "freedom." Freedom, Calif., with 6,000 residents, has the largest population among these.

—There is one place named "patriot." Patriot, Ind., with a population of 190.

—And what could be more fitting than spending the Fourth of July in a place called "America"? There are five such places in the country, with the most populous being American Fork, Utah, population 26,472.

The British are Coming!

\$112.4 billion—Dollar value of trade last year between the United States and the United Kingdom, making the British, our adversary in 1776, our sixth-leading trading partner today.

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## BI-RITE AUTO FINANCE

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### AUTOMOBILES

01 Chevy Cavalier, Runs Good, Cold Air, Needs Paint Job.....	\$1,850
00 Pont. Grand Am, 4 cyl, Looks Runs good (Red).....	\$2,895
97 Lincoln Cont., Nice clean car, runs good (Pearl White).....	\$2,995
99 Taurus, V6, Looks, Runs Good (Silver).....	\$2,950
01 Lincoln LS, Fully Loaded, V8, Leather, Very nice.....	\$6,450
02 Mercury Sable, V6, Nice Car.....(white).....	\$3,750
02 Taurus SE, Looks, Runs good.....(black).....	\$3,750
98 Ford Contour, V6, Looks, Runs Good.....(green).....	\$2,350
95 Mercury Cougar XR7, Very Nice Car.....	\$2,450
94 Mercury Cougar XR7, Loaded, 4.6 V8, Looks, Runs good.....	\$2,450
93 Mercury Cougar, XR7, Runs good ..(Green).....(Reduced to).....	\$1,250
91 Buick La Saber, 4 door, Looks Runs good (White).....	Special \$1,495
97 T-Bird, V6, Looks, Runs Good (Red).....	Special.....\$2,295

### ALL VANS & SUV'S HAVE BEEN REDUCED

99 Dodge Caravan, V6, Looks Runs Good.....	\$1,950
00 Ford Explorer, V6, Auto, 4DR (Red) Very Good.....	Special.....\$4,950
97 Ford Explorer, Fully Loaded and Nice (Black).....	Special.....\$2,950
90 Ford Bronco, V6, Very nice inside & out.....	Reduced to.....\$1,950
98 Ford Windstar, V6, Van, Automatic.....	Reduce to.....\$2,150
97 Ford Aerostar, V6, van, 3 Seats, Looks Runs good (Green).....	\$2,095

### DIESELS

02 Ford F350, Super Duty, Crew Cab, Very Good, 6spd.....	\$6,750
00 Ford F250 XLT, Crew Cab, 6 spd, Pwr stroke, (Silver) Nice Truck.....	\$6,250
01 Ford F350, XL, Super Duty, 6 spd, Pwr. Stroke, Crew Cab.....	\$6,250
01 Ford F250 XLT, Super Duty, 4 dr., Super Cab, 6 spd.....	\$6,595
99 Ford F350, Crew Cab, Super Duty, 6 spd.....	Special.....\$5,750
99 Ford F250, Super Duty, 4 dr. Super cab, 6 spd., Power Stroke.....	\$5,750
97 Ford F250, Heavy Duty, Super Cab, Power Stroke.....	Reduced to.....\$4,500
94 Ford F350, Crew Cab, Turbo Diesel, A nice truck.....	\$4,250
94 Chev. Diesel, Crew Cab, Runs good, Bad Paint, Automatic.....	\$1,950
90 Ford F350 4x4, Turbo Diesel, Flat Bed, (Red).....	Special.....\$2,995
89 Ford F250, 7.3 Diesel, Looks, Runs Good, (Tan).....	\$1,995
95 Ford F250, XLT, Super Cab, Power Stroke, Runs Very Good.....	\$3,250
95 Ford F350, XLT, Crew Cab, Dually, Pwr Strike, Automatic, Nice Truck.....	\$3,950

### GAS TRUCKS — MISC.

00 Ranger, Super Cab, V6, Automatic, Looks Runs good (White).....	\$4,800
99 Chev 1 Ton, 350 V8, Automatic, 8x8x12, Van body, Runn good.....	\$3,250
00 Ranger, Super Cab, XLT, V6, Automatic, very good trk (blue).....	\$4,850
02 Ford Ranger XLT, Super Cab, 5 spd, looks, runs good.....	\$5,450
99 Ford Ranger, Super Crew cab, V6, A good buy.....	\$4,650
98 Chev. S-10, 4 Cyl., Automatic, Looks, Runs good.....(green).....	\$3,595
85 Ford 4x4 F250, Wrecker Truck, Everything works good.....	\$1,995
97 Ford F150, Super Cab, V6, 5spd, looks runs good (tan).....	\$2,750
83 Chev. 3/4 Ton, V8, Looks, Runs Good.....	\$1,595
04 Tandem Gooseneck, 2 Cartover, Very good condition.....	\$5,250
94 Ford F250, with nice Utility Box Bed, Good Truck.....	\$1,995
88 Chevy, Crew Cab, V8, Gas or propane, runs good.....	\$1,950