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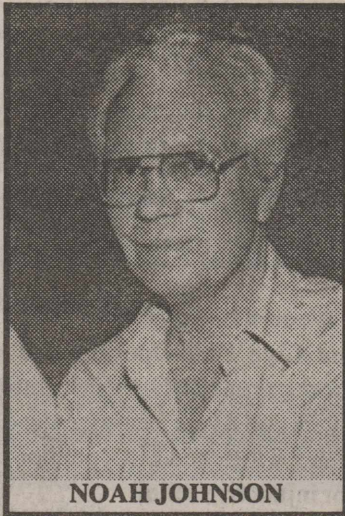
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Services Held for Local Businessman Noah Johnson Monday, November 23rd

Noah Johnson, age 81, of Cross Plains, went to be with his family in heaven on Saturday, November 21, 2009 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Funeral services were held on Monday, November 23, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains with Ronnie B. White officiating; burial followed in the Dressy Cemetery.

He was born on December 11, 1927 to Flem and Hester (Thorn) Johnson. He was raised in the Dressy Community of Cross Plains with his two sisters, Helen and Dorothy. Noah graduated from Cross Plains High School; was a veteran of WWII serving in the U.S. Navy; and completed Barber College in Fort Worth. He married Bobbie Wright on October 2, 1950. Noah was a rancher and the local barber in Cross Plains for many years. He and his wife, Bobbie, owned and operated Johnson's Dry Goods together for 40 years. Noah was a member of the First Baptist Church and a member of the local Masonic Lodge for 50 years. Noah was a past Master of the Cross Plains Lodge.

Noah was a loving husband and great Daddy and Granddad. He loved the outdoors and being with



NOAH JOHNSON

his family. He also loved all of the people who came into his store in Cross Plains. He will be missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Julia Faye; and his two sisters, Helen Walker and Dorothy Edington.

Survivors include his wife, Bobbie Johnson of Cross Plains; his daughter, Dianne and husband, Emmanuel Alvertos of Cross Plains; son, Bruce Johnson of Early; grandchildren, Brice Hail, Alisa Hail and Lori Willcockson and husband, Brian, all of Abilene; two great-grandchildren, Trevor Noah Hail and Gavin Brice Hail, of Abilene.

Cottonwood Community Christmas Party Slated for Saturday, December 5th (Come Catch "The Spirit")

The Cottonwood community and friends will gather at 6 p.m. on Saturday, December 5th, at the Cottonwood Community Center for the annual Cottonwood Community Christmas Party. Come and visit with friends and neighbors-old and new.

If you're new to the community and haven't had a chance to meet folks yet, this is a good time to get to know your neighbors. And, if you've lived in the community a long time, it's a good time to come out and see your old friends.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group will have the Texas Size Snowball Quilt on display and tickets will be available for purchase. Members of the Cottonwood Quilting Club and the Cottonwood Historical Association will also be at the party.

Bring a finger food and your best holiday spirit!

Big "Three-In-One" December 4 Kiwanis Stew Supper Fund-Raiser Senior Citizens' Center Dessert Fund-Raiser SANTA IS COMING To Cross Plains

The Annual Cross Plains Kiwanis Christmas Program is Friday night, December 4. Santa anticipates meeting all the children and adults at the Senior Citizens' Center as he arrives in Cross Plains on the fire truck (6 p.m.).

Every child present will be able to visit with Santa and have his/her picture taken with him. In addition to the visit and free photograph with Santa, each child will receive a sack of candy and one (1) number for drawings at the end of the program. (Additional photographs may be purchased for \$1 each.)

We are combining a STEW SUPPER Fund-Raiser with the Christmas program again this

year. This is one of annual fund-raisers each year to help with programs of our area, especially the children. We really need your help in order to have enough to meet all the worthy requests and needs that come our way.

The stew supper begins at 5 p.m. —\$4 for adults, \$2 for children 12 and under (very young who eat from their parent's bowl are free). And the Senior Citizens' Center will be selling desserts to add to the evening meal to raise money for their projects.

There will be drawings for twelve (12) turkeys and eight (8) gifts of \$25 cash each. Drawings will begin immediately after the

children are finished visiting and taking pictures with Santa.

There will be live and taped music to be enjoyed during the children's picture taking time. There is no general registration this year for the drawings, so the only recipients will be the children (and those who purchase tickets for the stew supper fund-raiser). You must remain and be present in order to receive the prizes.

The Kiwanis Club encourages everyone to attend, participate and enjoy Santa's visit to Cross Plains. Come early and eat, stay afterwards and visit!

Remember, Friday night, December 4, beginning at 5 p.m.!

Submitted by
Bob Pipes

Grand Ole Oplin Christmas Ball

The Grand Ole Oplin will hold its Annual Christmas Ball on Friday, December 4, 2009. We invite everyone out to dance to the country tunes of Muddy Creek. Our Christmas Ball will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will end at 10:30 p.m. Admission to our Christmas Ball will be \$6.00 per person or \$10.00 per couple. Everyone is asked to bring a snack to be shared by all during the band's break. Don't forget to wear Christmas colors (think red!) or your Sunday best.

The Grand Ole Oplin is hosted by the Oplin Community Center and is located at the intersection of F.M. 604 S. and F.M. 2926. Alcohol and smoking are not allowed. For further information about our Christmas Ball please contact Judy Woodard at 529-3129 or Alice Denunzio at 529-4646.

So gather the family and all of your friends and come on out to the Grand Ole Oplin's Annual Christmas Ball for an evening of good music, good friends and a good time.

Submitted by: Pam Ruffield

Homecoming for Three Area Churches Planned for Sunday, November 29th

Pioneer Pentecostal Church, Revival Center and Gospel Mission will join together for their annual Homecoming on Sunday, November 29th. Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be served at noon and you may bring a covered dish if you like.

Several guest ministers will be speaking during the celebration.

Bobby Jack, pastor of Pioneer Pentecostal Church, Faye Simons, pastor of the Revival Center and Michael Ingram, pastor of Gospel Mission invite everyone to join in these special Homecoming activities. Everyone is welcome!!!

Rondalla Band from Mexico to Give Concert at Cottonwood Baptist Church Saturday, December 5th.

You are invited to a special concert at Cottonwood Baptist Church Saturday, December 5th at 6:00 p.m.

The Rondalla Band will be visiting us from Iglesia Bautista la Trinidad (Trinity Baptist Church) in Piedras Negras, Mexico. The band consists of several men singing in harmony and playing acoustic guitars and other stringed instruments in the classic style.

We had the Rondalla Band from Piedras Negras here several years ago and they were a real blessing. We will take up a love offering for projects at Iglesia Bautista la Trinidad. We would love for you to come to Cottonwood on Saturday, December 5th at 6:00 p.m. and hear great music and learn about what God is doing in Piedras Negras, Mexico!



TREE OF FAITH, HOPE & LOVE—Bob Childress for Childress Farm planting the "Tree of Faith, Hope & Love" in the park next to the Cross Plains Public Library.

The Tree of Faith, Love & Hope to Help Cancer Patients

Community Cancer Benefit will light the lights on a new Cross Plains Christmas tradition—the "Tree of Faith, Love & Hope" on Friday, November 27. The tree, a 10-foot Afghanistan Pine, donated by Childress Farm, has been planted in the park area next to the Cross Plains Library and will be lighted with multi-colored bulbs in memory of and in honor of loved ones who have passed on are fighting in the battle with cancer. You can help light the tree by

purchasing a bulb for each person you'd like to remember or honor. Bulbs are a \$2.00 donation each and are accompanied by a ribbon signifying "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" your loved one or friend. The bulbs and ribbons will be added to the tree for you. All you need to do is purchase the bulb at Texas Heritage Bank and give the names for the "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" ribbon that will go on the tree.

Proceeds from the "Tree of Faith, Love & Hope" go to help

cancer patients in the Cross Plains area. Primarily, the fund helps with transportation costs—gas, food and lodging—when local patients travel the distance to and from the hospital for treatments. Your donations help your friends and neighbors.

Help light the "Tree of Faith, Love & Hope"—and the entire park. Make this a great Christmas Memorial to those who have gone on before and to those who are fighting the battle with cancer.

It's Time Again for Santa at the Bank Make Christmas Brighter for Our Local Children

Come enjoy the season of giving with "Santa at the Bank" this Christmas. There will be a Christmas tree in the bank after Thanksgiving with ornaments telling the gender and ages of children throughout the Cross Plains area. You may stop by the bank and choose an ornament with a child's information. Please return your gifts to the bank by Tuesday, December 15, 2009. They will be delivered or picked up by the parents as soon as possible with the help of the American Legion. A reasonable price to spend on the gift is \$25. If you wish to give money, we will buy the gift for you. Some gift ideas include: cosmetics, hair accessories, perfume, sweater, hats, gloves and purses for older

girls, and video games, sports related items, sweaters and hats for the older boys. Younger girls might enjoy dolls, sweater, jewelry, purses, backpacks or stuffed animals, while the younger boys might like legos, trucks, cars, action figures, ect. Christmas is a time for giving and kindness so please help us make Christmas brighter for the children of our community this year. If you know of any children in need please call Pat Stephens with your information. Home 725-6819 School 725-6123. Also Dollar General has a box in the front of their store for donations to the Santa at the Bank tree. Thank you all so much for helping the children of our community.

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ATTENTION: Callahan County Voters

Thursday, December 3, 2009 is the first day to file for a place on the Republican Primary Ballot. The party chairman will be available to accept candidate filings from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at

8567 C.R. 419
Cisco, Texas 76437

Atwell Area of Callahan County. Call 254-725-4168 for directions, questions or make an appointment for an earlier or later time to file on December 3rd. Call for an appointment to file from December 3, 2009 to January 4, 2010.

No filings may be accepted after 6:00 p.m. January 4, 2010. Monday, January 4, 2010, 6:00 p.m. is the last day to file for a place on the Republican Primary Ballot.

Submitted by
Reggie Pillans
Republican County Chairman

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Phone: 254-725-7522

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Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor:

Billy Smith

254-725-6268

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

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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

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OBITUARIES

Barney Ray Pancake

Barney Ray Pancake, age 73, of Rising Star, passed away on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 in Brownwood. Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, November 20, 2009 at the Pioneer Cemetery in Eastland County.

He was born in Pioneer, Texas on April 24, 1936 to Garland (Pee Wee) and Jessie (Curry) Pancake. He was employed in the oil fields on drilling rigs all of his life. Barney loved to hunt and fish.

Survivors include his sister, Marby Fox of Rising Star; nephews, Gary Fox, Claude Fox and wife Cheryl, and Michael Fox, all of Rising Star; nieces, Linda Pancake of Breckenridge; Tammy Duncan, Sherry Fox, Tricia Nall and husband Bill, all of Rising Star; thirteen great-nieces and nephews and five great-great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a twin brother, Bonny Pancake.

Phyllis Jean Draper

Phyllis Jean Draper, age 63, of Cross Plains, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, November 22, 2009, at her home with her family around her. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 25, 2009 at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains with Ronnie B. White officiating. Burial was in the Cottonwood Cemetery.

She was born on August 30, 1946 in Dallas, Texas to Harley Henry White, Sr. and Syble J. Tucker White. She married Victor Wendel Draper on October 5, 1962 in Dallas. Jean was a Christian wife, mother, grandmother and had the true heart of a servant. She loved her church and was a member of the Potter's Wheel Sunday School Class. She was always willing to help out and was a member of the Ladies Ministries at First Baptist Church of Cross Plains. Jean used her knowledge of sign language to sign special songs during worship services at various times during the years. She taught a class on Heaven at church and now she is experiencing it first hand.

Jean is survived by her husband of 47 years, Victor Wendel Draper of Cross Plains; sons, Victor Gene Draper and wife Deanna of Tamp, Florida and David Wayne Draper of Snyder; a daughter, Kellie Renee Atha and husband Wayne of Cross Plains; mother, Syble White of Brownwood; brother Phillip Duane White, Sr. and wife Laura of Wylie; aunt Bo Collum and husband Hall.

She was preceded in death by her father, Harley Henry White, Sr. and a brother, Harley (Sonny) Henry White, Jr.

Pallbearers were Greg Turner, Gary Moses, John Willis, Monty Richards, Kyle Foster and Alvin Hutchins.

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Alcoholics Anonymous Changes Meeting Place

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) is no longer meeting at the Church of Christ Activity Center. They are meeting at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center every Tuesday and Thursday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

For additional information contact Wanda at 254-725-7499 or Diana 254-725-4670.

State issues call for transportation enhancement projects

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has announced a program call for project nominations for the Transportation Enhancement (TE) Program. Submissions will be accepted until December 11, 2009.

The Texas Transportation Commission authorized TxDOT to conduct the \$67.5 million program call to solicit project proposals for development opportunities for non-traditional transportation-related activities.

The federally-funded program supports transportation-related activities that promote the quality of the environment through aesthetic enhancements associated with transportation.

Projects will be selected on a competitive basis.

Selection for funding does not constitute a grant. Selected projects are eligible for reimbursement for up to 80 percent of allowable costs. The entity nominating a project is responsible for the remaining cost share, including cost overruns.

Projects should go above and beyond standard transportation activities and be integrated into the surrounding environment in a sensitive and creative manner that contributes to the livelihood of the communities; promotes the quality of the environment; and enhances the aesthetics of our roadways.

Eligible projects must demonstrate a relationship to the surface transportation system through either function or impact. Projects nominated

must incorporate one of the following 12 categories:

- Pedestrians and bicycles facilities
- Safety and education activities for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Acquisition of scenic easements and scenic and historic properties
- Scenic or historic highway programs (including providing tourist and welcome center facilities)
- Landscaping and other scenic beautification
- Historic preservation
- Rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures, or facilities (including historic railroad facilities and canals)
- Preservation of abandoned railway corridors (including conversion and use for pedestrian and bicycle facilities)
- Control and removal of outdoor advertising
- Archaeological planning and research
- Environmental mitigation to address water pollution due to highway runoff or reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity
- Establishment of transportation museums.

Applications should be submitted to TxDOT Abilene District, Attn: Bill Leach, 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas, 79601. For additional information, Leach can be reached at 325/676-6822.

For more information about the TE program, visit: <http://www.txdot.gov/business/governments/te.htm>

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Mary Ann Flores, theft by check.

Jonathan E. Sansom, theft by check.

Benjamin R. Quarles, possession of marijuana.

42nd DISTRICT COURT

John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Minutes

Amanda L. Purcell, end of term order discharging defendant under deferred adjudication.

Joseph Daniel Grimes, order discharging defendant from probation (no deferred adjudication).

Civil Filings

Western Energy Group, LLC and Live Oak Operating & Production, LLC vs. Martin Ayers and Ayers Energy Associates, a forfeited LLC, petition for injunctive relief.

Jennifer Susan Parker and Jeffrey Allen Parker, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Vicki Louise Saxon Dugan and Kevin Christopher Dugan, divorce granted.

Kamie Windham Pruet and Benton Craig Pruet, divorce granted.

Astry Rochelly Rivera and Anthony Dwight Livingston, divorce granted.

Darla Farrington and Steven Farrington, divorce granted.

Mickie Jo Robinson and Ward Davidson Robinson, Jr., divorce granted.

Cynthia Lynn White and Edward Boyd White, divorce granted.

William L. McNeal and Janice L. McNeal, divorce granted.

Abilene Teachers Federal Credit Union vs. John A. Estrella, default judgment, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$25,120.96 from defendant.

Mary Grace Rutledge and Verlon Wayne McClanahan, divorce granted.

In Re: order for foreclosure concerning Timothy Lowe and 333 Callowhill Street, Baird, Texas 79504 and The Bank Of New York Mellon, default home equity foreclosure order granted.

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

WALLACE BENNETT

Popular Friend Laid to Rest in Cottonwood

Jean Draper, good friend and popular Cottonwood resident, died suddenly this week and will be buried in the Cottonwood Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon, November 25, 2009. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church with burial in Cottonwood.

Jean is the wife of Wendell Draper of Cottonwood and mother of David, Vic and Kellie. She also had several grandchildren.

The family has requested in lieu of flowers that people should send donations to the Women's Division of First Baptist Church of Cross Plains. Jean was a teacher for the Potter's Wheel Sunday School Class and frequently signed in American

Sign Language for the hearing impaired at the church.

Rehab Quilt Delivered to Abilene

Norma Farmer delivered the annual Cottonwood "Rehab Quilt" to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene last Wednesday. The West Texas Rehabilitation Center is a private, non-profit corporation founded in 1953 as a treatment center for children with cerebral palsy. It started with one physical therapist treating 17 children and now has grown into three centers located in Abilene, San Angelo and Ozona.

It is funded annually through a quilt auction, calf donations and other donations by individuals who give to this wonderful cause. The auction will be sometime in January.

Cottonwood Quilting Club's

quilt is called a "Colorado Log Cabin" and is the 53rd quilt donated by the club.

Heads Up and Be Alerted

The Annual Cottonwood Christmas Party will be held in the Cottonwood Community Center on the evening of December 5, at 6:00 p.m.

It is a great time to get in the "Spirit of Christmas" and join with your neighbors to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. So, bring finger foods and get festive and happy for the Christmas season. (Please call Wallace Bennett for any personal or local news items about Cottonwood, coming events, or people living in this valley at 254-725-7474, e-mail address csb555@dishmail.net. Please remember this, I can't print it, if I don't know about it.)

LIBRARY NOTES

November 16-20, 2009

Patrons:	118
Programs:	34
LAP 7	
Lapsit 2	
Game Day 13	
Other 12	
Books Checked Out:	108
Copies:	33
Reference:	9
Internet Users:	56
Interlibrary Loans:	0

Living Tributes:

Janet Swanson
In Honor of
Del and Sharon Pope
James and Jean Alexander
In Honor of
Mozelle Richardson

Memorials:

Charles Rodenberger
In Memory of
Margaret Halsell Parker
Cottonwood Historical Assoc.
In Memory of Janet Purvis

Volunteers:

Beverly Ross
Lavonne Childress
Sue Bennett
Arlene Stephenson
Helen Parson
Wilma Lawrence
Megan France
Kari Campbell
Linda Ring

Cross Plains Area Genealogy Society meets at the Library every first and third Mondays at 1:00 p.m.

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SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 30th- Movie Day @ 10:00 am; Cokes & Popcorn.
Tuesday, 1st- Exercise Class @ 11:00 am. Computer Class 10:00 am.
Wednesday, 2nd- Nutrition Education.
Thursday, 3rd- Exercise Class @ 11:00 am.
Friday, 4th- Kiwanis Stew Supper & Bake Sale 5:00 pm.

Senior Center Needs

A few items the Center could really benefit from...
ROASTER OVEN - LARGE CROCK POTS

Do You Know Someone Who Would Benefit From a Home Delivered Meal?

The Cross Plains Senior 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 11:45-12:45 pm. A

hot, nutritious, and delicious meal is available for those who qualify. Please feel free to call the Center Monday-Friday 9:00am-2:00pm to see if we can help. 254.725.6521.

Senior Citizens Center Will Have More Computer Classes Starting in December

The Senior Center has 6 computers available to any senior to use. You may use the internet, play computer games, make a document or even setup an email account. They are available Monday-Friday from 9:00am - 2:00pm. If you would like to

attend a computer class please call the Center. They will begin Tuesday, December 1st at 10:00 am. The Biggerstaffs will be focusing on spreadsheets during December. Please come by and give the computers a try! They don't bite! Hope to see you there.

Coupon Corner at the Senior Center

Do you have coupons that you do not use? A sweet lady from the community, Geneva Nelson has started a Coupon Corner at the Center for the seniors in the community! There is a table with baskets to sort coupons for the seniors to use. With the economy like it is what a great way to save

money by using coupons. This really helps our seniors, since so many are on a fixed income. So if you have coupons from the Sunday paper, and don't plan on using them, drop them by the Center and we can put them to use!

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 4

MONDAY-Salmon Patty, Mac and Cheese, Peas, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
TUESDAY-Beef Stew, Combread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
WEDNESDAY-Chicken Spaghetti, Mixed Veggies, Green Salad, Bread & Dessert, Milk/Tea/Coffee
THURSDAY-Salisbury Steak, Rice, Broccoli, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
FRIDAY-Ham Salad Sandwich, Black Bean Salad, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk

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Honoring

Dorothy June Petty

Sunday, November 29th
2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Baird Housing Authority in the Senior Citizens end of the building located at 4th and Chestnut (1 block E. of the courthouse.)

The only gift is your presence and that will be treasured.

Hosted by her children

Family, Friends, & Students are invited to attend the

50th Birthday Party for Rhonda Jackson-Hinten

Sunday, December 6th
2-4 p.m.

Cross Plains Community Center
Refreshments Served

Come and Go
No Gifts Please

Want To Write Your Elected Officials?

Here are their addresses:

Austin

Rick Perry, Governor, Room 200, State Capitol, Austin, TX. 78711.

Harvey Hilderbran, State Representative, P.O. Bos 2910, Austin, TX 78768-2910. Phone 512-463-0536.

Troy Fraser, Texas Senate District 24, P.O. Bos 12068, Austin, TX 78711 or call 512-463-0124.

Washington

Barack Obama, President of the United States, The White House, Washington, D.C. 20000.

Randy Neugebauer, Congressman, 19th Texas District, 429 Cannon HOB, Washington, D.C. 20515. Phone 325-675-9779 or 325-675-5038 for Fax. For email access, go to <http://www.house.gov/neugebauer> and click on the appropriate link.

John Cornyn, 517 Hart Senate Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. Phone 202/224-2934. Fax 202/228-2856. For email access, go to <http://Cornyn.Senate.gov>

Kay Bailey Hutchison, 284 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. Phone 202/224-5922. Fax 202/224-0776. For email go to <http://Hutchison.Senate.gov>

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
Cross Plains Church of Christ
433 N. Main
(254) 725-6117



In the comic strip *Hagar*, his wife asks the mirror on the wall, "Magic mirror on the wall—who is the fairest of them all?" The mirror sighs and thinks, "They say the truth will set you free—but if I tell the truth, I'll get broken and someone will have seven years' bad luck!"

First, isn't it interesting that one of Jesus' statements, recorded in John 8:32—at least part of it—would find its way into print this way? I don't know the background of Chris Browne, author of the comic strip, but he must have some knowledge of the Bible. Praise God!

Second, I hope you don't believe in things like "break a mirror and you'll have seven years bad luck"—but notice that the mirror has to decide whether to "tell the truth" or not...

Third, the other part of what Jesus said as recorded in that verse, which is a qualifier for being set free, is, "You shall know the truth." And He had just stated that a test of true discipleship is "abiding in My word," verse 31—"hold to My teaching," (NIV).

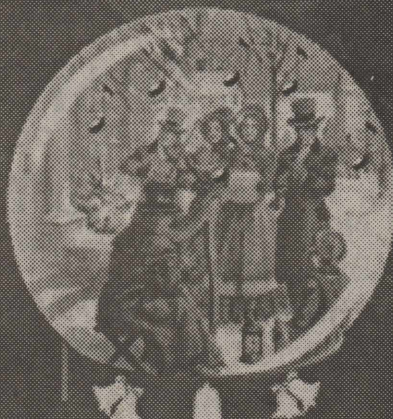
I encourage you to share in times of Bible study and worship with us as we strive to "sign our lives with the excellence of God."

Sunday Morning Bible Class...9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship...6:00p.m.
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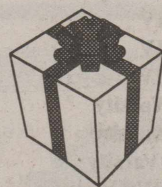
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3RD GRADE	Jacy Bien Hannah Crockett Kenzie Kleiber Kayden Oskins Jacklann Shepard Wayne Snell

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1ST GRADE	Ashlyn Millican Brian Morales Trenton Potter TJ Tuley Archer Wheeler
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7TH GRADE	Taryn Estes Megan France Morgan Manley Bridgette Mayfield Stephen Saltus Blake Self Jurnee Thomas Allanta Wheeler
8TH GRADE	Michael Carpenter Megan Pointer
9TH GRADE	Cheyenne Cowan Victoria Creamer Dania Delgadillo Gonzales Yannick Giroud Katharine Goode Riley Lawrence
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Teagan Fortune

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Colton Bradley
Michael Foster
Ashley Fulcher
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Brayden Kennedy
Evelyn Morales
Meghan O'Briant
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Jr. High and High School "AB" Honor Roll 2nd 6 Weeks

7TH GRADE
Natalie Anderson
Kristen Bland
Cheyenne Bomar
Alex Brooks
Bronc Dillard
Kelbi Hyles
Brenna Kleiber
Kaitlyn Koettel
Korbin McLean

8TH GRADE
Nicole Eisenbach
Jaden Kennedy
Colton McWilliams
Texas Sanders
Tristen Stephenson
Shelby Thomas

9TH GRADE
Michelle Drew
Christopher French
Brandon Fulcher
Joe Holland
Gema Sanchez

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"Thank You" Expressed to All Who Worked in Concession Stand

A big thanks goes out to everyone that helped in the Concession Stand during the Jr. High JV tournament. Volunteers are needed to work at least twice a week.

Basketball roster t-shirts are available for purchase. Contact Shauna Guerrero or Donna Ames to work, or for shirt orders.

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

November 19, 2009

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Tommy Ames, Jim Cook, Bryan Bennett, Michael Cowan, Donnie Dillard and Hoyt Foster.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent Phil Mitchell, High School Principal Diana Dobbins, Elementary Principal Margie Sowell and guests, Kim Crockett and Rhonda Crass.

Minutes were approved as read. Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Foster that approved minutes as read.

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by Ames that 95.5% Highly Qualified for High School District; 91.03% Highly Qualified Secondary; 100% High Qualified Elementary; and All Aides Highly Qualified. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by Donnie Dillard to view and pay the bills. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Foster concerning the Budget Amendment #1. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by Bennett to consider members to serve on a SHAC School Health Advisory Council Committee. For 5 Against 0 D.

Dillard Abstained

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by D. Dillard to consider reviewing the credits required to graduate on the Minimum Degree Plan from 26 to 24, beginning with the 2010-2011 school year For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Ames and seconded Foster to consider bids on a security camera system. All bids were rejected because they were not comparable. For 5 Against 0 Bennett Abstained

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Foster to consider bids on a small car. They accepted a bid on a Chevy Malibu ILS \$20,601.75 at Lawrence Hall in Abilene. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by D. Dillard to consider changing policy Del (local)—Leaves and Absences by adding a "Sick Leave Pool". For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by D. Dillard and seconded by Ames to accept the resignation of PEIMS Coordinator Leslie Manicchia. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by D. Dillard to consider Salary Increase for new PEIMS Coordinator (current employee) Tammy Tennison \$500.00. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Foster to adjourn. For 6 Against 0

Junior Girl Scouts Presenting December After School Adventure Program

The Junior Girl Scouts will be presenting the December After School Adventure Program, or ASAP, at the Cross Plains Public Library, Wednesday, December 2nd at 4:00 p.m.

The theme for this month's program will be "Christmas around the World". Each Junior Girl Scout will tell a little about the country they have chosen, including bits of information regarding traditions, customs and fun facts.

There will be hands-on craft

projects, which are traditional crafts originating from each country presented. Snacks from different countries will be served at the end of the program.

The Cross Plains Girl Scout troop consists of girls in 3 different age groups: Daisy (Kindergarten - 1st Grade); Brownie (2nd and 3rd Grade); and Junior (4th and 5th Grade). They meet each week at the Church of Christ Activity Center on Highway 36. Troop and registration information will be available at the program.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 4

BREAKFAST

MONDAY-PB&J Sandwich, Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk
TUESDAY-Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk
WEDNESDAY-French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk
THURSDAY-Honey Bun, Yogurt, Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk
FRIDAY-Hot or Cold Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk

LUNCH

MONDAY-Corn Dog, Pickle Spears, Baked Beans, Mixed Fruit, Milk
TUESDAY-Steak Fingers, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Peaches, Roll, Milk
WEDNESDAY-Fiesta Salad (Chili beans, Corn Chips, Salad, Cheese & Rice), Pineapples, Milk
THURSDAY-Spaghetti w/ Meat sauce, Cheese Stick, Broccoli, Garlic Toast, Diced Pears, Milk
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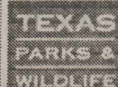
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DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME	TEAMS
Nov 10	Scrimmage	Santo	TBA	JV/Varsity
Nov 14	Scrimmage	TBA	TBA	Varsity
Nov 17	Ranger	Ranger	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Nov 19	Tourney	Home	TBA	JV
Nov 20	Tourney	Home	TBA	JV
Nov 20	Bangs	Bangs	8:00	Varsity
Nov 21	Tourney	Home	TBA	JV
Nov 23	Rising Star	Home	5/6:30	JV/Varsity
Nov 25	Panther Creek	Panther Creek	5/6:00	JV/Varsity
Dec 1	Tolar	Home	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Dec 3	Tourney	Rising Star	TBA	Varsity
Dec 4	Tourney	Rising Star	TBA	Varsity
Dec 5	Tourney	Rising Star	TBA	Varsity
Dec 8	DeLeon	Home	5:00	JV
Dec 8	Evant	Home	8:00	Varsity
Dec 10	Tourney	DeLeon	TBA	JV
Dec 11	Tourney	DeLeon	TBA	JV
Dec 12	Tourney	DeLeon	TBA	JV
Dec 10	Tourney	Home	TBA	Varsity
Dec 11	Tourney	Home	TBA	Varsity
Dec 12	Tourney	Home	TBA	Varsity
Dec 15	Dublin	Home	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Dec 18	DeLeon	DeLeon	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Dec 28	Tourney	Breckenridge	TBA	Varsity
Dec 29	Tourney	Breckenridge	TBA	Varsity
Dec 30	Tourney	Breckenridge	TBA	Varsity
Jan 2	Eula	Eula	5/7:30	JV/Varsity
Jan 5	Baird	Home	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Jan 8	Roscoe	Roscoe	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Jan 12	Bronte	Home	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Jan 15	Winters	Winters	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Jan 19	Albany	Albany	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Jan 22	Zephyr	Zephyr	6/7:30	JV/Varsity
Jan 26	Eula	Home	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Jan 29	Barid	Baird	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Feb 2	Roscoe	Home	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Feb 5	Bronte	Bronte	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Feb 9	Winters	Home	5/8:00	JV/Varsity
Feb 12	Albany	Home	5/6:00	JV/Varsity

Feb 22,23	Bi-District	TBA
Feb 25-27	Area	TBA
Mar 1	Regional Quarterfinals	TBA
Mar 5,6	Regionals	TBA
Mar 11-13	State Tournament	TBA

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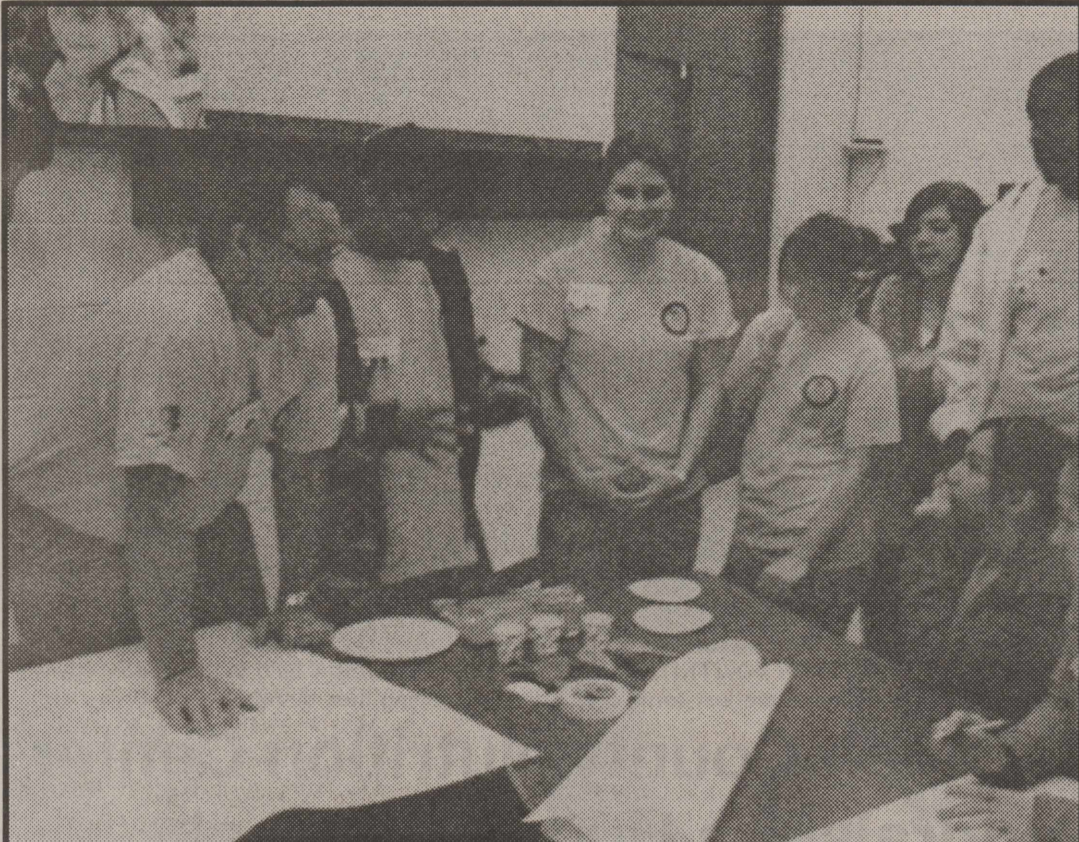
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CROSS PLAINS STUDENTS ATTEND LEADERSHIP FORUM—at the Lake Brownwood 4-H center. Students were given opportunities to learn about their own leadership qualities.

Cross Plains Students Attend the John Ben Shepperd Leadership Forum

Nominated junior students from Cross Plains High School along with High School Counselor, Debbie Mitchell, and junior sponsor, Amanda Sowell, traveled to the Lake Brownwood 4-H center to attend a John Ben Shepperd System of Service Leadership Forum. Speakers form the Shepperd Public Leadership Institute, Shannon Hernandez and Valorie Rogers,

spoke with students about how leadership is best communicated. Students were given opportunities to learn about their own leadership qualities and then apply those by working with other students in a group to create a statue using only the materials given. The statue had to meet certain height requirements and pass the wind test. Students had a great time and Cross Plains High

School hopes to make this an annual event. Junior students that attended were: Delany Ames, Tru Avants, Shawna Lewis, Audra Mayfield, Dillon Whiteley, Miranda Williams, Hayden Wyatt, Savana Wyatt, and Toni Moore. Congratulations to these students for their hard work and continued efforts in becoming our future leaders.

Cross Plains Junior High Tournament Results

The Purple and Gold Teams played in the Cross Plains Junior High Tournament last weekend.

The Purple Team played in the 8th Grade Division. The girls played 3 games and finished in 2nd place for the tournament.

In the 1st game the girls played May. The final score was Cross Plains 40 May 12. Playing were Megan Pointer 2 points; Nicole Eisenbach 11; Lindsey Ames; Shelby Thomas 4; Taryn Estes 2; Kaley Campbell 2; Krista Potter; Allanta Wheeler 5; Texas Sanders 10; Jurnee Thomas and Alyssa Wheeler 2.

The 2nd game the girls played Rising Star. The winner this game would play in the championship game. The girls came out and scored 16 points the 1st quarter to take a commanding lead in the game. The final score was Cross Plains 27 Rising Star 12. Playing were Megan 7 points; Nicole 10; Lindsey; Taryn; Christa; Allanta; Texas 6; Kaley; Jurnee 2 and

Alyssa 2.

In the Championship Game the girls faced Coleman. The 1st quarter score was Coleman 4 Cross Plains 2. In the 2nd quarter Coleman took control of the game by scoring 16 points while Cross Plains only score 7. The final score was Coleman 38 Cross Plains 15. Playing were Megan 5 points; Nicole 2; Lindsey; Shelby Texas; Kaley; Jurnee 2; and Alyssa 2.

In the 7th Grade Division the Gold Team played two games. In the 1st one the girls were beaten by Evant 18-4. In the 2nd game they played Ranger and the final score of Cross Plains 25 Ranger 12. Playing were Alyssa 12 points; Brenna Kleiber 2; Kelbi Hyles 2; Bridgette Mayfield; Kaley; Megan France 2; Taryn Estes 3. The girls all played hard and enjoyed the tournament.

Submitted by Coach Mitchell Atchley

Methamphetamine Lab Busted in Callahan County on November 5th

On November 5, 2009 the Callahan County Sheriff's Office filed for and obtained a Search Warrant for the residence located at 388 CR 527 in Clyde.

Deputy Marshal, Keith Collum, with the Baird City Marshal's Office was conducting surveillance on the home, while Sheriff John Windham was organizing the entry team to the residence. Prior to the arrival of the entry team, suspect Aubrey Alan Tatum, white male, date of birth 9/20/64, exited the residence and left the property in a vehicle. Deputy Marshal Collum apprehended the suspect a short distance from the home, at which time several grams of methamphetamine were located.

Upon execution of the Search Warrant, the Callahan County Sheriff's Office, with the assistance of State Game Warden, James Brown proceeded to enter the residence. Upon entry, noxious odors from chemicals were detected. As a safety precaution, Sheriff John Windham ordered a withdrawal from the residence, and called for the assistance of an agent with the Special Operations Division of the Abilene Police Department and the use of Chemical Masks.

Once equipment arrived at the location, entry was regained and the chemicals were secured in a safe manner.

A Methamphetamine lab was located with ingredients required

for the manufacture of methamphetamines. Subject Tatum was arrested and charged with three second degree felonies; Manufacturing of Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver, Possession of Certain Chemicals, and Possession of a Firearm by a Felon.

Further investigations by the Callahan County Sheriff's Office are expected to yield several more arrests derived from this apprehension.

Sheriff John Windham would like to thank the Baird City Marshal's Office, the Texas Parks and Wildlife, and Abilene Police Department, Special Operations Division for their assistance in the safe execution of the Search Warrant.

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Callahan County to host 3 hour CEU night course December 7th

Many producers that have a pesticide license have a hard time attending daytime educational programs that offer CEU's (Continuing Education Unit) for re-certification of their license. Therefore, a special three (3) Hour pesticide re-certification night course for Texas Department of Agriculture applicator license holders is set for Monday, December 7th in the Callahan County Extension Office located on the 2nd floor of the County Courthouse. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. and the program starts at 6 p.m. Texas Department of Agriculture has approved the program for 1 Hour in Laws and Regulation, 1 Hour in Integrated Pest Management, and 1 Hour of General. These

hours will apply to Commercial, Non-commercial, and Private Applicators' license holders.

The program will begin with Laws and Regulations presentation followed by Integrated Pest Management presentation discussing alternative approaches available when using pesticides. The night course will conclude after a 1 hour general presentation at 9:00 p.m. CEU certificates will be awarded at the conclusion of the program.

Cost for the training is \$5.00. To register or for more information, contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (325) 854-5835.

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AgriLife Extension to offer small-acreage landowner educational series

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Taylor County will conduct a series of three seminars for small tract landowners. These meetings will take place Dec 1st, Dec 8th and Dec 15th. Seminars will be held in the Big Country Hall located on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center starting at 6:00 pm. Cost of the program is \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. Space is limited to the first 25 registered participants. Registration deadline is November 30th. To get the most from the program, participants should plan to attend all three seminars.

The small acreage landowner is a growing segment in Texas agriculture. Per Ag Census statistics, 33% of all farms and ranches in Texas are ranked under 50 acres in size. The small acreage farm or ranch owner may have purchased their small acreage operation for many reasons - retirement, a source of alternate income, or to impart a life-style change. Small scale farmers/ranchers many times have found themselves in the need for education concerning

enterprise choices, basic production guidelines, as well as advice on marketing strategies and agricultural legalities. These seminars are designed to address the issue of Texas rural lands being fragmented into smaller tracts, often involving owners who are interested in maintaining the property but lack the experience in land management.

Session I: Introduction to the program, Extension Interpretation, Resource Inventories and Tax Valuations.

Session II: USDA Farm Programs, TDA - Go Texan, Texas Parks & Wildlife, Property Financing Options

Session III: Forage Production, Soil Fertility, Weed & Brush Control, Pesticide Licensing, and Livestock Options

To pre-register and for additional information, contact Robert Pritz, Taylor County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources at 325-672-6048 or by email, r-pritz@tamu.edu.

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The Doctors Prescription for Health

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

The Silent Killer

A silent killer is constantly on the loose on a daily basis. The silence of this killer allows it to perform the destruction that is occurring until the killer is apprehended. The name of this silent killer is hypertension, or as more commonly referred to, high blood pressure.

A large number of people who have high blood pressure may continue for years without experiencing ill feelings. On the other hand, other folks may experience headaches, tension in the back and neck, changes in their vision and a number of other symptoms. The truth is, whether you can tell when your blood pressure is high or whether you cannot; the end result is the same.

So, what is a normal blood pressure? Not too many years ago, the commonly accepted systolic blood pressure (the number on top) was up to 140 until you reached 40 years of age. However, as years passed and large studies of patients were completed, we quickly realized that this "normal" value was not a prudent one. With the passage of time, the normal blood pressure should

not average above 140/90, regardless of age. Actually, an average blood pressure of 120/80 or less is considered optimal by today's standards. The key to this is to take an average of one's daily blood pressure reading, done over a two or three week period of time. Since quite a number of folks will have a higher blood pressure when seeing their physician, taking one's blood pressure at home for an average reading is more optimal. Checking the blood pressure at different times of the day is better than always checking it about the same time.

Since so many people are not aware they are traveling through life with this silent killer, the results of its destructive powers are undiscovered until a catastrophic health event occurs.

Hypertension wreaks havoc on one's eyesight, kidney function, sexual function, and blood vessels throughout the body. Due to this last occurrence with the blood vessels, we see a much higher

incidence of heart attack, congestive heart failure, strokes, cerebrovascular disease, and with blockage in the legs, aorta, and carotid arteries.

Sadly, simply controlling the blood pressure could have prevented a very large share of these health problems. Practice preventive health measures now so you will be much less likely to need the latest medical procedure later. Check your blood pressure fairly often. If you get a high reading, check it every day for at least two weeks to get an average. We are always glad to check anyone's blood pressure as a community service if they so desire. So if you do not have a blood pressure machine, we are definitely here for you! Or, if you check your blood pressure at home and the number is above 140/90, please feel free to come in for an appointment and good medical evaluation.

To hypertension, the "silent killer" we say R.I.P! We encourage all to do the same.

To your health, happiness, and peace!



AT THE CALLAHAN COUNTY NUTRITION CENTER FUNDRAISER— held at the Baird Activity Center on Saturday. Pictured are just some of the diners enjoying their dinner.

Callahan County Nutrition Center Fundraiser a Huge Success!

The Callahan County Nutrition Project—Meals on Wheels fundraiser was a great success according to CCNP Director Katie Dunn.

The event was held at the Baird Activity Center and hosted by the JL Cattle Company, owned and operated by Johnny and Leonna Adkins.

"Special Thanks" to the approximately thirty volunteers from the Baird Volunteer Fire Department who served the food during the evening.

High Praise is not enough for Johnny and Leonna who donated time, equipment and talent in turning out such a wonderful meal.

The JL Crew, assisting in the preparations were JK Jenkins, Womack/Clemons Advertising, San Angelo; Ken McComus,

West Texas Rehab, Abilene; Pam McComus, City of Abilene; Carol Taylor, Assistant Deputy Lt. Commander Taylor County; O'Dell Taylor, Custom Wholesale Supply, Abilene, and Smitty Smith (aka Brushy Bill Roberts), Clyde Farm and Ranch, Clyde.

Others assisting were Cathy Maggard of Midland, Jeff Burleson, and Jon and Melanie Adkins of Baird, Lloyd Rameriz, Dr. Pepper/Pepsi of Abilene; and Lou Rameriz, Frito Lay, Abilene.

"Extra Special Thanks" goes to 8 year old Mighty Mite, Austin Adkins who worked in the steak preparation line. He is the grandson of Johnny and Leonna Adkins. "What can you say."

A special guest for the evenings event was Justin McDonnell, member of the

Florida National Guard who chose to visit his family and join us for dinner. He is the nephew of Sharon and Dale Owens and great nephew of Cleta Gregg of Clyde. His parents are Mike and Darlene McDonnell of Abilene, Justin will be leaving for Iraq on December 5th.

Callahan County Nutrition Project Board members assisting in the fund-raiser ticket donations were President, Mert Swofford, Harold Hass and Fred Goble and the two new additions, Sharon Owens and Tommy Alldredge.

Katie Dunn, Director of the CCNP would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people who made this fund-raiser 2009 a huge success. Approximately \$4,500.00 was donated for the event.

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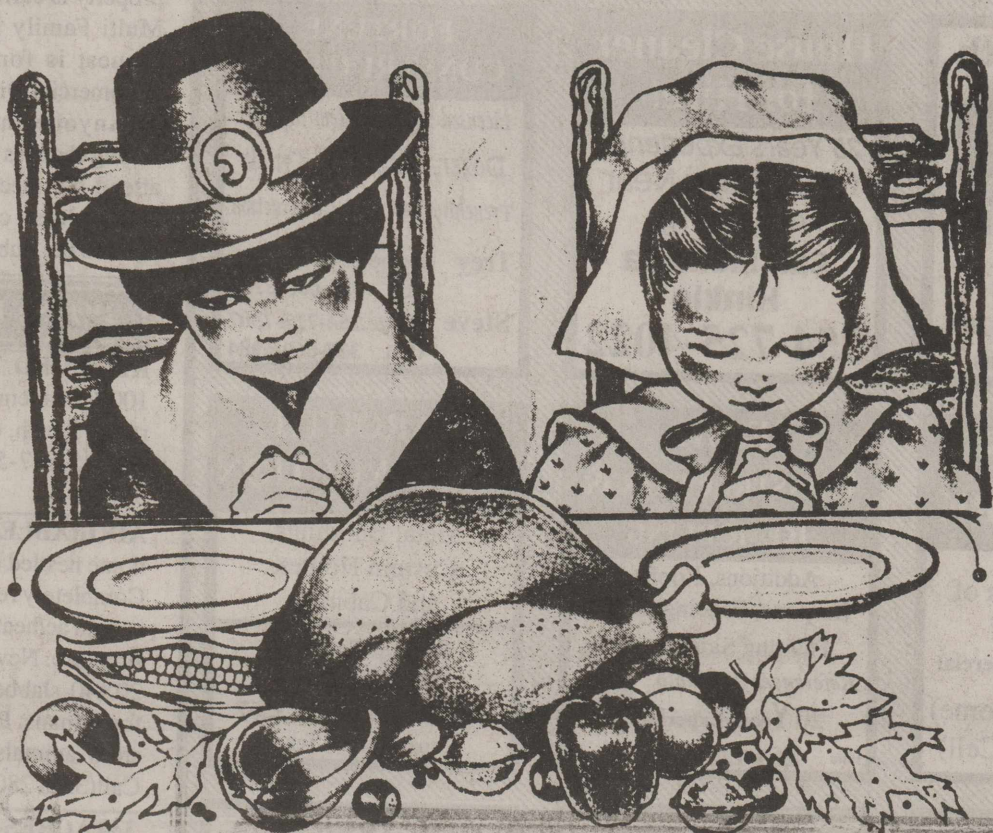
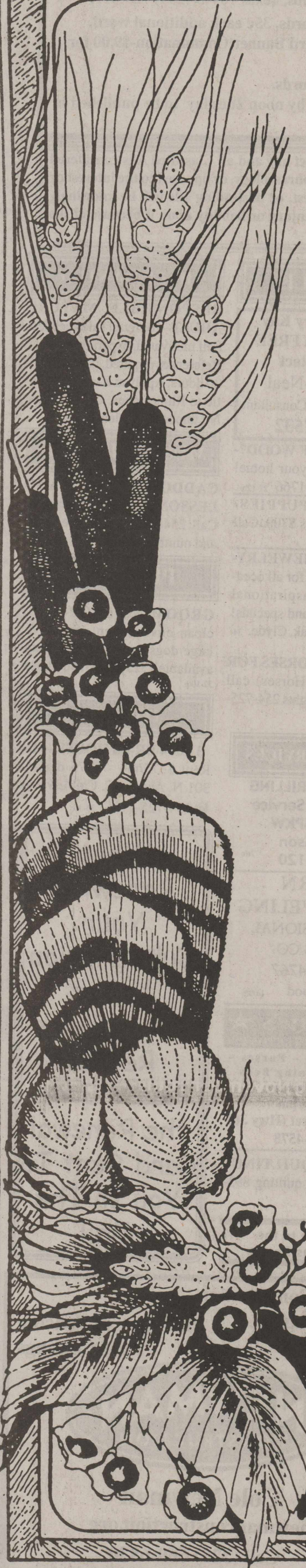
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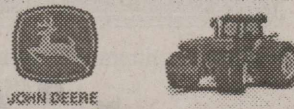
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Nov. 23, 2009 – Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today urged farmers and business owners to apply for grants to add value to the commodities they produce. The deadline to apply is November 30th.

"The approximately \$18 million in value-added grants announced by USDA this past year are strengthening rural economies and creating jobs," Vilsack said. "I encourage farmers and businesses to take advantage of this opportunity to add value to their agricultural products by funding planning activities such as feasibility

studies, marketing and business plans, or for working capital."

For example, in 2004, USDA awarded the Michigan Turkey Producers Cooperative in Wyoming, Mich., a Value-Added planning grant totaling \$55,000 to prepare a feasibility study and business plan for marketing turkey products to health-conscious customers. In 2005, a second \$150,000 grant was awarded to provide marketing capital in order to increase brand awareness and promote the benefits of the company's farm-to-table practices. As a result of USDA's assistance, the cooperative was able to hire 66 new employees and open a new processing plant for new product lines.

USDA will award planning grants of up to \$100,000 and working capital grants of up to \$300,000 to successful applicants. Applicants are encouraged to propose projects that use existing agricultural products in non-traditional ways or merge agricultural products with technology in creative ways. Businesses of all sizes may apply, but priority will be given to operators of small and medium-sized family farms – those with average annual gross sales of less than \$700,000.

Applicants must provide matching funds equal to the amount of the grant requested. Ten percent of the funding being made available is reserved for beginning farmers

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Paper applications must be submitted to the Rural Development state office in the state where the project will be located. A list of state offices is available at www.rurdev.usda.gov/recd_map.html. Electronic applications must be submitted through www.Grants.gov. For more information on how to apply, please see page 45165 of the September 1, 2009 Federal Register or visit www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/vadg.htm.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for rural residents. Rural Development fosters growth in homeownership, finances business development and supports the creation of critical community and technology infrastructure. Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting USDA Rural Development's web site at www.rurdev.usda.gov.

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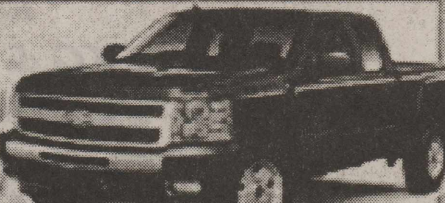
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TxDOT Offers Draft Strategic Plan Presentation

ABILENE, Texas - Is your civic, church or business organization looking for a program between now and the middle of December? If so, the Abilene District of the Texas Department of Transportation has one for you.

"The Department is seeking public input from the public between now and the holiday season on TxDOT's adopted draft strategic direction statements. These new statements are designed to provide attainable performance results that the public can use to easily measure the department,"

Mary Beth Kilgore, Abilene District public information officer said.

We would like the opportunity to personally present the agency's draft direction statements, receive your comments on the statements, and update you on the progress of our transportation projects in your area, Kilgore added.

If your organization would like for a representative from the Abilene District to attend one of your meetings, please contact Kilgore at 325/676-6806 to set up a time and date.

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Sarah Pope graduated from Lackland Air Force Base on September 4, 2009, and is currently in tech school at San Angelo.

She is a 2008 graduate of Central High School in San Angelo and attended Cross Plains I.S.D. for several years.

Her proud parents are Becky and Jimmy Yarbrough of San Angelo and Billy Pope. Sarah's grandparents are the late Martha

Mauldon and Oscar and Kitty Ubonoski, Walter and Beverly Pope of Cross Plains, and the late Barbara (Strength) McCormick and great-grandparents include the late Dora Snodgrass and Virginia Pope of Cross Plains and the late Bill Pope.

She also has three brothers and a sister who are proud of her accomplishments.

Texas unemployment rate nearly two percentage points below U.S. rate

AUSTIN - Total nonagricultural employment in Texas increased by 41,700 positions in October with significant increases in Professional and Business Services and Education and

Health Services. The Texas seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose slightly to 8.3 percent in October, up from

8.2 percent a month ago, and continued to trend well below the U.S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 10.2 percent.

"In October, the Texas job market regained some lost ground experienced over the past several months, although it is too soon to indicate a trend," said Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chairman Tom Pauken. "The Texas unemployment rate continued to edge upward as our state continues to feel the effects of the national economic downturn."

Education and Health Services employment grew in October with the addition of 14,900 jobs, and Professional and Business Services added 10,800 positions in October. Employment in the Financial Activities industry increased by 4,500 jobs in October.

"Reports of job gains in October are good news, and certainly better than the alternative, but we remain concerned about the many Texans who still cannot find work," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. "We want to encourage those seeking work to take advantage of the job-search and training services available at our workforce centers across Texas."

Employment in the Leisure and Hospitality industry was up in October by 2,600 jobs, while Trade, Transportation and Utilities reported an increase of 2,500 positions in October. Construction employment continued to experience job losses with a decrease of 9,400 jobs last month.

"We are encouraged by increased employment reports across most industries in October specifically in the service providing sector which includes health care, business and finance," said TWC Commissioner Representing the Public Andres Alcantar. "TWC and the 28 local workforce development boards remain determined to help out-of-work Texans find jobs."

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