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**First GED Graduate** — Thomas Ellis is the first GED Graduate of the Cross Plains Public Library Program.

## Thomas Ellis is First Graduate of Cross Plains GED Program

Saturday, May 12th, was a special day for many of us in Cross Plains as Thomas Ellis walked down the aisle to "Pomp and Circumstance," complete with cap and gown, and received an Official Certificate of High School Equivalency (GED) from the State of Texas.

Thomas has the distinction of being the first student to graduate from our newly-formed Cross Plains program. And my, did he do a great job! Students must score a minimum of 410 out of a possible 800 on each of the five tests. With a sly smile Thomas allowed his scores to be read: 500 in Mathematics, 570 Language Arts-Writing, 660 Social Studies, 700 in Language Arts-Reading, and 720 in Science!

While his family, teachers and library board members looked on, and cameras flashed in the audience, Thomas was also presented with a Certificate of Achievement from the Cross Plains Public Library. During a reception of cake and punch, gifts were presented. The library gave Thomas a set of books (of course) including works of his favorite philosophers: Plato, Aristotle and Socrates. Thomas also received a check for \$100, courtesy of the Texas Book Festival Literacy Award.

In his final test, Thomas wrote the following essay. Our thanks to him for letting us share it with you.

*If I could make at least one*

## Monroe-Nimrod Homecoming Announced

The Nimrod Baptist Church would like to invite you to join them for the Monroe-Nimrod Homecoming, Sunday, May 20th. Church services will begin at 10:45 a.m. Bring a potluck dish to share after the service. Please come and join us for good and fellowship.

*positive change in my life it would be to read by books more often. I love to read, don't get me wrong, but sometimes I go weeks without reading even a single page. I was never real fond of novels, but give me some philosophy or theology and I could spend all night reading.*

*I love works by people like Aristotle, Socrates, Plato and St. Augustine. When I pickup up a good book it's like I'm rediscovering all these amazing ideals for the first time. In reality these ideals have been around for hundreds of years; all this knowledge just waiting for someone to rediscover them.*

*I know for a lot of people a good book can be just what they need to turn a day around or unwind after a long day. When I start my day with a good book it's like all these great ideals spend all day swimming around in my head. When I have something to contemplate on, nothing can bring me down.*

*For me, reading is learning. When I open a book I'm filling my mind with ideals that, when applied to my every day living, build my character, my moral values, and help me overcome the obstacles that would usually bring me down. I believe the world would be a better place if more people would read some of these books.*

Thomas Ellis  
Graduate

The Nimrod Cemetery Association will hold their annual business meeting after the meal.

The Nimrod Baptist Church is located 10 miles SW of Cisco on FM 569. For information or directions, call Wanda Blackwell 265-725-6395 or Glenda Shawver 254-725-6561.

## City Council Project Underway to Honor the Memory of Shana Hyles Reed Election Results

The Cross Plains City Council election was held Saturday, May 12th with the following outcome:

**Ray Purvis - Mayor - 59 Votes**

**Bob Kirkham - 50 Votes**  
**Jerry Cassle - 50**  
**James Nichols 17.**

It was reported that 44 early votes were cast, while only 28 voted on election day.

Purvis' position was not contested and incumbents Kirkham and Cassle were re-elected for two year terms.

## Barbecue Sandwiches and Bake Sale at Lowe's Grocery for Community Cancer Fund on May 26th

Come by Lowe's Grocery on Friday, May 25th and grab a hot fresh barbecue sandwich or a home-baked cake or pie and support a good cause.

Look for the booth outside the store from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. selling barbecue brisket sandwiches, hotdogs, chips and drinks with the proceeds benefiting the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund.

There will also be a table of baked goods—cakes, pies, cookies and other goodies, also benefiting the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund.

Joe Terstegge of Lowe's will be cooking the brisket.

If you'd like to help with the booth, come and join us. We'll be setting up about 10 a.m. If you'd like to bake something for the bake sale, you can drop it off to us that morning, or call Teri at 325-668-3864 and we'll come by and pick up your cake, pie, etc.

## Solar Energy for Homes Program

There will be a community get-together at the Cottonwood Community Center on Thursday, May 24th beginning at 10 a.m. Bob Childress will be the guest speaker. The topic will be "Solar Energy for Homes."

Colburn Tucker with Sola Rise Us will also be a speaker. Colburn designed the solar panel that Bob purchased.

Come learn energy saving tactics. No preregistration is required. Refreshments will be served.

## Cross Plains Cemetery Association Welcomes Cross Plains Exes Home

The Cross Plains Cemetery Association welcomes the Cross Plains Exes home. We hope you will come by the cemetery to see the improvements that have been made.

The next project is to put panels up on the south side of the old cemetery. We had a fundraiser in April 2011 which raised enough

money to pay for the bricks and have the columns built. We would appreciate any donation that you feel you could make to beautify the cemetery. The panels and fencing is going to cost approximately \$16,000 for the south side of the old cemetery. Maintenance costs during the summer months are at

least \$1,000 and sometimes more for mowing the cemetery. Any donation can be mailed to: **Bob Harrell P.O. Box 185 Cross Plains, TX 76443.**

Since the passing of Shana Hyles Reed, many have wanted to do something to show their respect and love for Shana. After visiting with family members, a project is underway to honor Shana's memory in a way that will be long-lasting.

The Cross Plains I.S.D. auditorium is used by the school and the entire community. Shana loved to attend special programs, singings and events within our school, churches and community. Plans are underway to have the

foyer of the auditorium remodeled, and it is hoped that the funds for this will come from school personnel and community members. Other areas of the auditorium (light and sound system) will also be refurbished through donations and by the school district.

There will be a picture of Shana framed and hung in the foyer with a plaque recounting her contributions to the community and school. The plaque will note the members of the community

who give to this project in memory of Shana.

Please consider giving to this fund for refurbishing the foyer and auditorium. If anyone would like to donate in memory or honor of another person, please do so and note that with your donation. Any donations can be given to **Lurene in the superintendent's office of the Cross Plains High School or mailed to the school at 700 N. Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443.**

## Pioneer Memorial Day Observance Program Announced for Monday, May 28th

The Pioneer Memorial Day Observance Program is set for Monday, May 28, 2012. The program is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. and will be held under the Pioneer Veterans Memorial Pavilion located near the War Memorial and the flagpole. The cemetery is located on Highway 36 between Cross Plains and Rising Star.

The program is planned to pay tribute and respect to all veterans with a more specific homage to WWI and WWII veterans from the Pioneer area who lost their lives.

Our speaker this year will be State Representative James L. (Jim) Keffer. Mr. Keffer represents House District 60 which includes Brown, Eastland, Hood, Palo Pinto, Shackelford and Stephens counties. Representative Keffer and his family reside in Eastland. Mr. Keffer has served as representative since 1996 and in that time has served on several committees and received numerous awards and has been named one of the best members of the legislature by *Texas Monthly* and the new service, *Gallery Watch*.

Several community and area citizens will take part in the program. The community takes pride in our cemetery and appreciation of American Veterans. Refreshments will be served following the program, which should last approximately one hour. Those attending the service will then place flags on the graves of all veterans. We appreciate your attendance and if you cannot attend, please give thanks for your freedom to both our living and fallen heroes.

Submitted by  
Jim Fleming

## Robert E. Howard Days, 2012

Howardian Scholars from around the world are making final travel arrangements to be arriving in Cross Plains in time for the opening coffee and donuts on Friday, June 8, as the Robert E. Howard Days are launched once again. Sponsored jointly by Project Pride of Cross Plains, the Robert E. Howard United Press Association and REH Foundation the annual event on June 8-9 promises something for everybody from the serious scholars to the "let's go see what it's all about" drop ins.

Headquartered at the Howard Museum on West Highway 36, west of the red light at the Dairy Queen, visitors will enjoy a variety of panel discussions, a special postal cancellation on Friday at the downtown Post Office, tours of the Museum and historic Cross Plains, a swap meet of Howard related memorabilia, a silent auction and a lively Celebration Dinner on Friday evening. All of the panel discussions will be held at the Library, where the original Howard manuscripts will also be on display. Local folks are warmly invited to attend all of

these events at no cost.

The only charge for any these events is \$15.00 for the dinner on Friday night.

The well stocked gift shop in the Museum has a complete array of t-shirts and caps produced by our local Salamander's. Of special interest is the brand new t-shirt designed by Michael Peters, a professional artist from Michigan that will not go on sale until the event. Matt did a great job of transferring the design from Peter's artwork, while Mandy cranked up their machine and the Museum already has a wide size selection of the new shirts waiting in the back room at the Museum. The large array of books relating to all aspects of Howard's writing, as well as both issues of "Cross Plains Remembered" by the Barbarian Festival Committee and Ann Beeler's "Footsteps of Approaching Thousands" will fill the shelves to capacity. Many of the annual visitors are interested in the Cross Plains of Howard's time and all of the local books hold a great deal of interest for them.

Guest of Honor for this year's festivities will be Charles Hoffman of Los Angeles. As a college sophomore, he had written "Conan the Existential," which quickly became the ground breaking essay on the quality and depth of Howard's writings. In 1987, Hoffman and Marc Cerasini collaborated on "Robert E. Howard," the one and only book-length critical study of Howard's work to date. A new revised edition of this study will soon be published by Robert E. Howard Foundation.

Reservations for the Friday 6:30 Celebration Dinner at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center are \$15.00 per person and must be made by June 1st. Reservations may be made at the Library, Bank, City Hall or by mailing to Project Pride at PO Box 534, Cross Plains, TX 76443. You may also register via PayPal at [ProjPride@yahoo.com](mailto:ProjPride@yahoo.com). Further information may be obtained by contacting a Project Pride member at 254-725-4993 or 254-725-6562.

Submitted by  
Arlene Stephenson

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## CHURCH DIRECTORY

### COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School.....9:45 AM  
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM  
 Evening Service.....6:00 PM  
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00 PM

David Braun, Pastor  
 Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching

Friendly Church

### Triple Cross Cowboy Church

Every Sunday at 10:30 am  
 Services held at 18071 CR 421, Cross Plains  
 (1/2 mile North of Cross Plains city limits on Hwy 206)

Al Taylor, Preacher  
 Phone: 254-725-7522  
 Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

### Living Water Ministries Fellowship

Restoring And Equipping The Saints  
 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

### Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: Dwaine Clowers Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley

Sunday School.....10:00am  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am  
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm  
 Wednesday Prayer Service.....7:00pm

### First United Methodist Church

Kevin Morton, Pastor

Office 725-7377 Parsonage 725-7694  
 Sunday School Sunday Worship  
 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.

1000 North Main Street  
[www.gbmg-umc.org/crossplains/](http://www.gbmg-umc.org/crossplains/)

### First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY SERVICE 9:00 AM  
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## OBITUARIES



### John Darryle Letney

John Darryle Letney, age 51, formerly of Cross Plains, passed away at his residence in Eastland Saturday, April 21, 2012. A memorial service was held Saturday, May 5, 2012 at Nimrod with Max Evans officiating.

Darryle was born January 23, 1961 in Houston to James B. Letney Sr. and Velma Ruth (Caswell) Letney. He worked as a truck driver and most recently at Wal-Mart as a greeter.

He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant brother Robert Earl Letney.

Survivors include two brothers, James B. Letney Jr. of Nimrod and Steve Letney and wife Cheryl of Cisco; one niece; 4 nephews; two great-nieces and six great-nephews; and numerous friends.

### Mark (Bob) Cave, Jr.

Kent County rancher Mark (Bob) Cave, Jr., 88, passed away Monday, May 7, 2012 at his residence. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday May 9, 2012 at Weathersbee-Ray Chapel with Rev. James Lanning officiating. Burial was in the Cottonwood Cemetery.

Bob was born February 11, 1924 to Ruby (Dennis) and Mark Cave, Sr. at Rotan. After graduating from Rotan High School he was drafted into the Army during WWII. He married Dorothy Louise Acker at Rotan on March 20, 1948. Bob was a lifetime rancher in Kent County and was diligent in his work. He was a member of the Clairemont Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, parents and son, David Cave.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Lana and Raford Hargrove of Rotan; three grandsons and their wives, Rafe and Leslie Hargrove of Hobbs (their children, Kaitlyn and Dylan), Mark and Amy Hargrove of Snyder (and their children, Callie and Ethan), David Mark and Anna Cave of Washington, D.C.; two granddaughters, Caryn and Jeff Snyder of Grapevine and Beth Cave of San Antonio; and numerous great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

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### Annual Meeting of the Belle Plaine Cemetery

The Belle Plaine Cemetery Association will hold its annual business meeting on Memorial Day, Monday, May 28th.

Belle Plaine Cemetery is located 8 miles south of Baird. Take Hwy 283 to CR 470 and turn east. Turn North at CR 473 (first dirt road) and then east into cemetery entrance. We have directional signs to help you find your way.

In order not to interrupt the opening ceremonies, please plan to arrive and be parked by 10:30 a.m.

The ceremony will begin at 11:00 a.m. with the traditional fly-over by the Big Country Squadron of the CAF based at Elmdale Airpark. We invite attending veterans to assist in the flag-raising ceremonies Norman West, Jr. will play the National Anthem, and

### John Howard Balkum

John Howard Balkum, age 86, of Cross Plains, passed away Wednesday, May 9, 2012 in Abilene after a brief illness. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 12, 2012, at the First Baptist Church with Pastor Ronnie B. White officiating. Burial followed in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

He was born on June 14, 1925 to Walter Alfred and Fannie Mae (Cassle) Balkum in Tom Green County, Texas. After graduating from high school, he married Vida Elsie Armstrong on February 14, 1948 in Abilene. They moved to Cross Plains in 1949 where they made their home. John Howard became a farmer. He was a member of the First Baptist Church where he served as Sunday School Superintendent, taught Sunday school, was a Deacon and served on the Board of Directors on the Cross Plains Cemetery Association.

Survivors include one sister-in-law, Ann Balkum; as well as a number nieces and nephews including Donna Myers of Cross Plains.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Vida; three brothers, Melvin, Sam and C.W. Balkum; and two sisters, Irene Garlitz and Darnella Gray.

### Hillman Thomas

Funeral services for Hillman Thomas, age 85, of May, will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 17, 2012, at the Heartland Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery. He passed away Saturday, May 12, 2012, at his home.

Hillman Wayne Thomas was born in Holder, Texas, on October 30, 1926 to James William and Martha Mae (McDonald) Thomas. On May 18, 1946, he was married to Dorothy Wilma Thomas in Brownwood and she preceded him in death on March 15, 2010. Mr. Thomas retired from the May ISD as a custodian after 30 years of service. He was a member of the Crossroads Baptist Church, a lifetime resident of the area where he farmed on the family home place his entire life.

Survivors include his sons, James Thomas and wife Laverne of Early, Ronald Thomas and wife Betty of Cross Plains, and Gerald Thomas and wife Ginger of May; daughter, Hilda Foster and husband Harmon of May; sisters, Maxine Medford and husband Dwain of Mullin and Theola (Doll) Woodward of Early; 15 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, siblings, Henry Hendrix, Annie Mae Wilkerson, Dee Wright Thomas and wife Dorothy, William Carl Thomas and wife Thelma, Normie Hudson (Tom) Thomas and wife Corine; brother-in-law C.H. (Woody) Woodward; and a great-grandson, Brent Scott Thomas.

## Courthouse News

### Callahan County Court Roger Corn, presiding

#### Misdemeanor Filings

Stacey L. McGlasson, driving while intoxicated (DWI).  
 Stoney Walker, driving under the influence - minor.  
 Angela B. Johnson, possession of marijuana.  
 Mia A. Navarro, theft by check.  
 Steven Dee Crowder, driving while license invalid (DWLI).  
 Terry Wendell Barr, assault - family violence.

#### Misdemeanor Minutes

Daniel Strickland, motion to revoke probation granted.  
 James D. Thomason, order releasing cash bond.  
 Robert C. Gorham, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted for completion of pre-trial diversion.  
 Joshua L. Lang, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted for completion of pre-trial diversion.  
 Eloy Rios, order releasing cash bond.  
 Kori S. Gilder, order amending conditions of probation granted.  
 Kori S. Gilder, motion to revoke probation granted.  
 Richard Ward, motion to withdraw as surety granted.  
 Bobby Browne, affidavit of

surety for discharge of liability on bond due to incarceration of principal.

#### Marriage Licenses

Jeremy Todd Mitchell and Shawn Lorraine Kelly, both of Clyde.

#### 42nd District Court John Weeks, presiding

#### Civil Filings

Bettye Hayhurst vs. Hayhurst Drilling Co., debt/contract.  
 Robert Brian Tollett and Amanda Kay Alexander, divorce.  
 Martin McDonell vs. Julio Gomez and Hallmark Specialty Insurance Co., damages.

#### Criminal Minutes

Mark E. Wylie, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, 6 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$354 court costs, \$140 restitution.  
 Angela Wylie, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, 6 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$354 court costs, \$140 restitution.  
 Daniel A. Wells, plea of guilty to theft of bronze, 2 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$303 court costs.

### Pioneer Historical Association Plans Cemetery Work Day May 26th

The Pioneer Cemetery Board has called for a Clean-up Work Day on May 19th to prepare the cemetery for the Pioneer Reunion on May 26th and the Memorial Day Service to be held May 28th. Please bring hoes, rakes, rags,

scrub brushes and cleaning supplies for the chairs and benches.

If you are unable to help work, you are more than welcome to just come and visit.

Submitted by  
 Lou Brooks, Secretary

### Corrections to Pioneer Cemetery Financial Report

Two donations were inadvertently left off last week's report of donations to the Pioneer Cemetery including:

\$200 Carolyn Crider  
 In Memory of George and Leona Flippin  
 \$200 Richard and Linda Wilson  
 In Memory of Kenneth Brooks and Terry Norris.

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### First Baptist Church

#### Sunday School

Sunday 9:30 am Sunday  
 Morning Worship Evening Worship  
 10:45 am 6:30 pm

#### Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship  
 Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm  
 Children's Activities 6:30 pm

#### Ronnie B. White, Pastor

(254) 725-7629 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443  
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## Political Calendar

The Cross Plains Review is authorized to publish the following political announcements for the office filings in the Republican Primary Election set for Tuesday, May 29, 2012.

### For Callahan County Sheriff Terry Joy

Political advertisement paid by The Terry Joy for Sheriff Campaign, Lenora Joy-Treasurer, 525 Stella, Baird, Texas 79504.

### John Windham

Political advertisement paid for by John Windham Campaign, Donna Whitlock, Treasurer.

### Steve Livingston

Political advertisement paid by Steve Livingston, Carla Brown, Treasurer; 617 W. 5th St., Baird, TX 79504.

All political calendar advertising for the Tuesday, May 29, 2012 Republican Primary Election is payable in advance, at a cost of \$100.00. A free press release and photograph will be published one time with each announcement.

## Cottonwood News

Beverly Brown



**Almost Sold Out** — Cottonwood Quilting Club Bake Sale last Saturday in front of Lowe's Grocery Store was a huge success! Pictured are: Mary St.Peter (left to right), Mary Ella Weaver, Deana Terstege, Lavonne Childress and Sue Bennett.

The Cottonwood Quilting Club held a successful Bake Sale last Saturday. Hope you got there in time to pick up a great dessert or a bag of home-baked cookies!

The next Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 22 at 7 p.m. at the firehouse.

David Weaver of Corpus Christi visited with his mother, Mary Ella Weaver, for a week and was here to spend her birthday with her.

Keith Kelly, Coby Kelly and Dakota of Cottonwood; Misty Yates, Cory, Shana, Heather and Jimmy Kelly of Cross Plains; and Brian Kelly from Abilene spent Mother's Day with Billie Kelly.

Kathy Franke, Dena Jo Hines, Glynn Nickerson and Olga of San Antonio, Bill and Annette Nickerson and Connie Potter visited with Dena Nickerson on Mother's Day.

Wendell and Vanda Draper, Jim Bob and Kellie Cozart, Sarah Rogers and son Kayden had lunch at Jean's Feed Barn in celebration of Mother's Day

following church services.

Teri and Gilbert took me to the Section Hand in Brownwood to celebrate Mother's Day. We also visited with Randy and Phyllis Pancake on Sunday afternoon.

Fire Chief Joe is cooking brisket for the Brisket Sandwich Sale at Lowe's Grocery on the Friday before Memorial Day- May 25th. The store will be selling sandwiches, hotdogs and having a Bake Sale all to benefit the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund. Several folks from Cottonwood will be working the booth in front of the store, so stop by and see us.

I talked with Clara McInnis this past week. She said to tell everyone hello and that she thinks about everyone often. She's doing fine!

Teri and Gilbert and I traveled to Cody, Wyoming recently and took the scenic route from Shoshone to Cody through Wind River Canyon. The scenery was breathtaking! While in Cody, we

celebrated my sister's 80th birthday, and I got to visit my nieces who I haven't seen in 36 years! My sister and her husband, Arlene and John Leonetti of Cody, and their daughters, Elaine and husband Stever Guy of Mesa, Arizona, Gloria Leonetti of Rochester, Michigan, Kathy and husband Mitch Frickle of Casper, Wyoming, Trish and husband Corey McDaniel of Casper, Wyoming, and Tina Knight of Worland, Wyoming; Tina's daughter Kit-Kat and her daughter LeeAnn; and John's sister Ro from Dearborn, Michigan were all present. We had a great time! The weather was beautiful when we got there, then it turned cold and got down to 34 degrees and then it snowed!

Rain gauges all over Cottonwood saw some much-appreciated action last week. The Terstege's reported 2 inches of rain and Billie Kelly received 1 1/2 inches.

## Cross Plains Garden Club

Diana Miller

**Thank you Lord for the rain that you have provided and abundant rain which we are continuing to receive.**

Our Cross Plains Garden Club continues to send prayers to our members as they face ongoing health and family issues.

The club met at the home of Jannette Dugger on Friday, May 11th. The meeting was opened by President Eva Fleming as the final official meeting of the fiscal year. Members present were Jannette Dugger, Eva Fleming, Diana Miller and Mary Ella Weaver.

A special thank you goes out to our community and to all those who supported our efforts during our April Plant Sale event. It is through your support that we are able to provide annual donations to deserving local service organizations and to our high school scholarship program. Applications for our 2012 Cross Plains scholarship were reviewed during our May meeting, and a deserving high school student was selected to be the recipient of our \$500.00 award. The Treasurer's position for the Cross Plains Garden Club became available

during the month of May. Candidates were contacted and we hope to have the position filled soon.

Discussion of next year's yearbook ensued. The Cross Plains Garden Club Year Book Committee will meet in June to finalize the 2012-2013 Garden Club programs and projects. We hope to continue to be a participating club within our community; not only promoting local services and scholarships, but also to benefit those who wish to learn more about the nuances of living and growing within the Cross Plains and surrounding areas.

Gardeners, please remember that mulch will add to your soils nutrients and will reduce your need for water. Compost is an excellent mulching agent. Local retailers also provide other sources of mulch. Corn gluten meal is another organic source of fertilizing soils and acts as a natural pre-emergent.

Rolan Jones has once again agreed to allow us to tour his gardens on June 15th at 1:00 p.m. It is always a special treat to visit Rolan and to learn about his successes with organic gardening; ranging from planting to fertilizing to insect control. Members and visitors are welcome. Please contact us at (254) 725-9418 with questions or comments.

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## Library Notes

### Library Hours

Monday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Tuesday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Wednesday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Thursday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
CLOSED FRIDAY

May 7-10, 2012

Patrons	132
Books Checked Out	101
Programs	15
GED	7
Other	8
Copies	298
Internet Users	49
Interlibrary Loans	0
Reference	15

### Donations

Margaret Ellis

### Memorials

Curt and Ginny Hoskins  
In Memory of Lewis Fortune

Tom and Anne Rone  
In Memory of Lewis Fortune

Kenneth and Ann Beeler  
In Memory of Lewis Fortune

### Living Tributes

Burlie and Jerri Taylor  
In Honor of Dannes Turner

### Books and Miscellaneous

#### Donations

Bobbie Brown  
Bryan and Carrie Brown  
Bruce Clark  
Arthur Saltus

#### Volunteers

Suzy Stiver-Nash  
Kathy Anderson  
Sue Bennett  
Michelle Kaiser

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

## Rising Star Nursing Center

Donna McIntire

**HOWDY!** Put on your boots and cowboy hats, saddle up and ride on over for Western Day at Rising Star Nursing Center on Friday, May 18. Come meet our new Sheriff, Greg Whitten.

Allow us to show our appreciation for many years of service to our community and your loved ones by joining us for hamburgers and hotdogs. We promise good food and great fellowship!  
Hope to see y'all there !!!

### Cross Plains Review Deadlines

Ads Noon on Tuesday  
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## SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

**Monday, 21st-** Exercise 11 a.m.  
**Tuesday, 22nd-** Exercise 11 a.m., Manicures 10:00 a.m.  
**Wednesday, 23rd-** Exercise 11 a.m. Girling Blood Pressure Checks  
**Thursday, 24th-** Exercise 11 a.m.  
**Friday, 25th-** Exercise 11 a.m.

### Card Of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone who joined us on game night. A special thanks goes to Texas Heritage Bank for cooking the hamburgers and deserts which everyone enjoyed and to each person who made a donation to the Center. We very much appreciate everyone who took time out of their busy schedules to stop by and visit and to those who played games. Mark your calendar. Game Night is May 22nd and everyone is welcome.

Do you have any talents that you would like to share? Call the Senior Citizens Center at 254-725-6521 so you can share your talent with the Seniors during lunch time.

HOME DELIVERED MEALS MUST CALL TO ORDER, AND OR CANCEL A MEAL NO LATER THAN 10:00 A.M.

### GAME NIGHT

GAME NIGHT is Tuesday, May 22nd at 6:00 p.m. until ??? Potluck supper, bring your favorite dish or snack food and come join us for a night of games and lots of laughing. This is open to "kids" of all ages.

### SAVE THE DATE

June 7, 2012, 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center we will have a FISH FRY and LIVE MUSIC

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

MAY 21- MAY 25

**MONDAY-** SBBQ Chicken, Potatoe Salad, Pinto Beans, Bread/ Dessert/Drink  
**TUESDAY-** Stuffed Peppers, Veg Pasta Salad, Fruit, Bread/ Dessert/ Drink.  
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# Zoie Walker Needs Your Votes to Obtain Scholarship Funds—

Cross Plains High School senior Zoie Walker has won \$1,000 in the first round of the State Farm Texas Scholar Award Scholarship. She was picked out of over 1,500 Texas senior students and is now eligible to complete for the grand prize of \$10,000.

This scholarship recognizes outstanding high school seniors across Texas who are very involved in all University of Interscholastic League competitions—both academic and athletic. This scholarship also strives to recognize students who possess the positive characteristics that are embodied in Texas youth such as community, leadership and team spirit.

Winners must demonstrate a

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Zoie needs your help as well! Please go to [www.texas-scholaraward.com](http://www.texas-scholaraward.com) to read Zoie's profile and vote for her. Your vote will not only help show your support for Zoie, it will also show your support for her school and teachers.

Be sure to vote as often as you want. All you have to do is leave the site and come back, and you are able to vote again. Please vote for Zoie and vote often.

If you have any questions, please contact Cross Plains High School Counselor Debbie Mitchell at 254-725-6121 ext. 224.

## School Board Meeting

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on May 16, 2012, beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1. Open Forum
2. New Business
  - A. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting
  - B. Review Payment of Bills/ Finance Report
  - C. Consider Renovating the Auditorium Foyer and Improving Auditorium Lighting
  - D. Approve Rejoining with Comanche Special Services (special Education Cooperative)
  - E. Approve Salaries for 2012-13
3. Personnel
  - A. Approve Resignations
  - B. Review Personnel Needs
  - C. Recommendations for Employment
4. Superintendent's Report

- A. Graduation Responsibilities
- B. Sell of Bus at Abilene Auction on Hold?
- C. May 17 - All Sports Banquet (6:30 p.m.)
- D. May 18 - Cheer Try-outs
- E. May 19 - Prom (7:00 p.m. dinner 8:00 - 11:00 p.m. dance)
- F. May 20 - Baccalaureate 8:00 p.m.
- G. May 21 - UIL Academic Students to Austin
- H. May 24 - Ag Banquet (6:30) and Secondary Awards (1:15)
- I. May 25 and 28 - No School
- J. May 30 and 31 - Final Exams - School out at 2:00 both days
- K. June 1 - Graduation (8:00)
- L. June 12 - Board Training
- M. Summer Board Meeting Schedule
- N. Sign Check Register
5. Adjourn.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on May 10, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. for the Board of Trustees.

## All Active School Personnel and Retirees Mark Your Calendars

Tim Lee, Executive Director of The Retired Teachers Association, will be in Brownwood on Tuesday, June 19th at 10 AM in the Brownwood Coliseum to speak to active school personnel and retirees on ways we can work together to help save our current retirement plan - Defined Benefit - which was established in the 1936 Constitution. The alternative

plan - Defined Contribution - is being promoted by individuals representing the financial industry and does not provide beneficiary coverage and no insurance.

Currently there are over 312,000 educational retirees or their beneficiaries in Texas that contribute about 7.2 billion dollars into our state economy.

Tim is a dynamic speaker that

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### FINAL EXAM WEEK

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**10A Softball All District Selections** — The selections have been made for the 2012 Softball Season. Local players that were selected were as follows: Defensive Player of the Year goes to Alyssa Wheeler (Sophomore), Alyssa plays hind catcher for the Lady Buffs. First Team All District Picks are: Rachelle Allen (Senior), Charleen Avants (Senior), and Texas Sanders (Sophomore). Second Team Recipients were: Cheyenne Cowan (Junior) and Skyler Halsel (Senior). The entire team is pictured above, Jo Jo Morgan-Coach (left to right, back row), Jeff Blackburn-Coach, Tiffany McCaughren, Jurnee Thomas, Rachelle Allen, Charleen Avants, Nicole Eisenbach (left to right, middle row), Shahala Trammel, Cheyenne Cowan, Missy Broeker, Texas Sanders, Kelbi Hyles (left to right, front row), Maci Whitson, Bridgette Mayfield, Skyler Halsel and Alyssa Wheeler.

## CROSS PLAINS SCHOOL MENU

MAY 21- MAY 25

### BREAKFAST

MONDAY- Eggs, Biscuit, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk  
TUESDAY- Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk  
WEDNESDAY- French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk  
THURSDAY - Hot or Cold Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk  
FRIDAY- HOLIDAY

### LUNCH

MONDAY- Grilled Cheese, Veg. Beef Soup, Crackers, Rosy-Applesauce and Milk  
TUESDAY- Salisbury Steak, Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Carrots, Roll, Peaches and Milk  
WEDNESDAY- Chicken Fajitas, Salad, Refried Beans, Sherbet and Milk  
THURSDAY- Lasagna or Corn Dog, Broccoli, Garlic Toast, Mixed Fruit and Milk  
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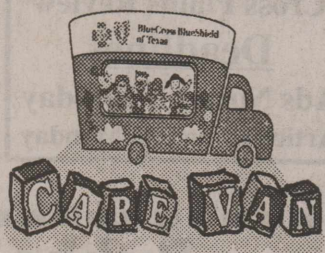
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**DPS announces new residency requirements for driver licenses, identification cards**

The Texas Department of Public Safety today announced the implementation of new proof of residency requirements to obtain Texas driver licenses or identification cards effective May 7, 2012. The requirements, which only apply to first-time driver license and identification card applicants, are the result of legislation approved by the Texas Legislature.

In addition to the standard requirements necessary to obtain a license or identification card (<http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/DriverLicense/identificationrequirements.htm>), all new applicants will also be required to present two acceptable documents containing the applicant's name and address to establish proof of residency in the state

of Texas.

To meet the residency requirement for an original identification card or driver license, an applicant must:

- Reside in Texas for at least 30 days prior to application
- Present two acceptable documents establishing proof of residency, one of which must demonstrate the applicant has lived in Texas at least 30 days

The 30-day requirement is waived for applicants who surrender a valid, unexpired out-of-state driver license, but two documents establishing proof of residency are still required.

For a complete list of acceptable residency documents and additional details, please visit <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/DriverLicense/residencyReqNonCDL.htm>.

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**RETIREMENT CELEBRATION**—A retirement celebration was held Friday, May 11, 2012 to honor Valerie Walker for 32 years of service. Valerie served Callahan County as a 911 dispatcher.

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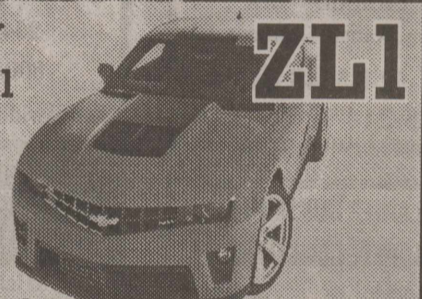


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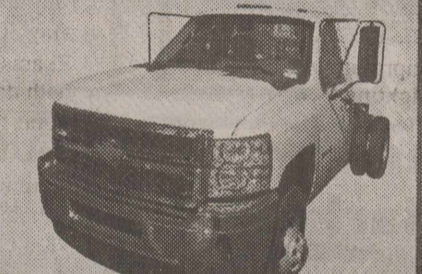


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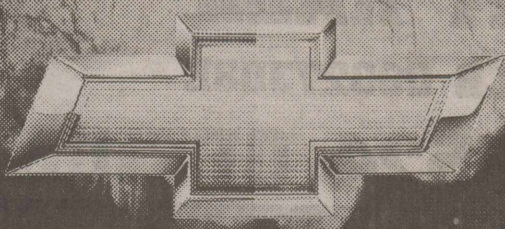
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The Antique and Classic Car Show presented by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce is a real crowd pleaser. browse through T-Birds, Mustangs, Classic cars, antique trucks and other interesting automobiles. Bring your classic and join in the show! There's no entry fee, but space is limited. You can find he

registration form on line at barbarianfestival.net. Cash prizes will be awarded for Best Car, Best Truck and Best of Show.

Like Antique Tractors? Check out the Barbarian Festival's Antique Tractor Show. Bring your old John Deere, Minneapolis Moline or other antique and be apart of the show! There's no entry fee—so come and join the fun!

Want to have a booth at the festival and show off your artwork, handmade items or skills? Booth space is still available. You'll get an approximately 12' X 12' space for \$50. You can sell arts and crafts, trinkets and other items, take

donations for your organization, bring rides and games, sell food, beverages, snow cones, etc. Come out and join in the fun!

Sign up now and reserve your place now. Get more information on booth space by calling Diana Miller at 254-725-9418. Get the Vendor Registration form on line and all the details on line at the Barbarian Festival's website barbarianfestival.net.

The Barbarian Festival, now in its 14th year, is held the second Saturday in June in conjunction with Robert Howard Days, a celebration of Robert Howard, creator of Conan the Barbarian. Howard lived most of his life in Cross Plains.

## Atwell Cemetery Association Meeting to be Held May 27th

The Atwell Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting and Memorial service Sunday, May 27, 2012 at the Cemetery Shelter beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch will follow the business meeting and memorial service. All who attend are asked to bring

covered dishes of vegetables, meats, salads and desserts. Please bring enough for your family and to share with your neighbor. The association will furnish the bread, tea, ice and picnic supplies.

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Prizes will include Ribbons in each Class and High Point Buckles. Concession Stand will be available during the events.

To register please contact Rose at the Callahan County Extension Office (325) 854-5835.

**Registration Deadline is 4:00 p.m. on May 25<sup>th</sup>.**

## Multi-County Pecan Field Day set

Pecan producers and homeowners interested in getting the best possible production from their pecan trees are invited to attend the Pecan Field Day on Thursday, May 31, 2012 at the Childress Farm with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. Program will begin at 10:00 a.m. Topics will include Insect Control, irrigation, fertilization and orchard management. 3 CEU's will be given.

Cost is \$20 for early registration by May 25<sup>th</sup> and \$25 at the door. A catered lunch is included with registration. RSVP to Callahan County Extension (325) 854-5835, Eastland County Extension (254) 629-1093, or Stephens County Extension (254) 559-2313. Childress Farm is located near Cottonwood, TX 10 miles NE of Cross Plains, TX on CR 422.

## Anson Opera House Country Musical set

The Anson Opera House Country Musical show will be held Saturday, May 19th at 6:00 p.m., at the Anson Opera House located in Anson.

A bar-b-q supper will be held before the musical. Serving will start at 5:00 p.m. Cost will be \$6.00 per plate-includes drink & dessert.

Door prizes will be given away...No Admission Fee.

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## Cisco College accepting applications for Fire Academy

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According to David Hatfield, 2011 graduate of the Fire Academy, "All the instructors take to heart what they teach. I left the Academy confident that I knew what I was doing. I still keep in touch with my instructors and feel free to call them anytime I need help."

Mr. Hatfield was able to find a job as a firefighter within four months of graduation, and he attributes rising above the competition in a very rigorous and competitive hiring situation to the excellent reputation of the Cisco College's Fire Academy. As soon as the Fire Departments saw I was a graduate of the

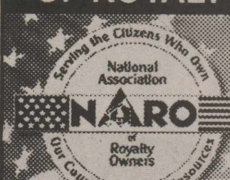
Academy they became more interested in me. Cisco's Fire Academy is known throughout the area for providing the best of training. My time in the Academy was one of the best experiences of my life, and it gave me a shot at getting on anywhere I chose to work."

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# Republican Party Primary early voting ends May 25th

Early voting for the Callahan County Republican Primary election is underway now through Friday, May 25th at three voting locations throughout the county.

Early voting for the Republican Party Primary election began on Monday, May 14th at the Clyde Justice of the Peace office located at 208 Oak Street in Clyde, the Cross Plains Justice of the Peace office located at 424 South Main Street in Cross Plains and at the Callahan County Courthouse Election Room #102 located at 100 West 4th Street in Baird. Early voting is taking place during regular business hours.

Registered voters can vote early through Friday, May 25th for the Tuesday, May 29th Republican Party Primary election.

There are two contested races in Callahan County, including three candidates seeking the office of County Sheriff. Those seeking the office of County Sheriff include incumbent Sheriff John Windham and challengers Terry Joy and Steve Livingston.

The Clyde Commissioner Precinct #1 position is also being contested this year. Only those

## Tuesday, May 29th Republican Party Primary Election Callahan County Polling Places

- Precinct #1, Clyde Lions Club Building
- Precinct #2, Eula Lions Club Building
- Precinct #3, Baird Activity Center
- Precinct #4, Cross Plains Community Center
- Precinct #5, Putnam Community Center
- Precinct #6, Clyde Southside Baptist Church
- Precinct #7, Oplin Community Center

county voters located inside Commissioner Precinct #1 will cast ballots for either incumbent Commissioner Harold Hicks or challenger Rick McGowen.

The Republican Party Primary election is scheduled for Tuesday, May 29th. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at seven voting locations throughout Callahan County on election day. Those primary voting locations include:

Clyde Precinct #1: Clyde Lions Club Building, 317 South 1st Street, Clyde.

Eula Precinct #2: Eula Lions

Club Building, 5776 FM 603 in Eula.

Baird Precinct #3: Baird Activity Center, 228 Walnut, in Baird.

Cross Plains Precinct #4: Cross Plains Community Center, 108 Beech Street, Cross Plains.

Putnam Precinct #5: Putnam Community Center, 120 West Travis, Putnam.

Clyde Precinct #6: Clyde Southside Baptist Church, 641 Hunt Street, Clyde.

Oplin Precinct #7: Oplin Community Center, 8990 FM 2926 in Oplin.



**DISTRICT 7 RIFLE CONTEST**—Callahan 3-Position Rifle Team members won 1st place at the District 7 Rifle contest on Saturday, April 28th, in Marble Falls, Texas. The top 6 high overall individual placings were: Landon Hart 2nd, Barrett Ancinec 3rd, Cody Cedergren 4th. They will be shooting for the championship in Lubbock this summer. Good luck!! Pictured above (l-r) are Barrett Ancinec, Landon Hart, Kailey Hart and Cody Cedergren.

## Abilene Quilt Show is June 1st & 2nd

The Abilene Quilters Guild is proud to sponsor its 18th annual "Stars Over Abilene Regional Quilt Show" on June 1st and 2nd at the Abilene Civic Center main hall at North 6th and Pine. Quiltmakers from many areas of Texas will display their quilts and other quilted items. In addition, a variety of special displays, three different quilt classes will be offered, vendors, and a snack bar will be at the show.

The special displays offer a wide variety of quilts. For the seventh year the Hoffman Quilt Challenge quilts will be displayed. This display is sponsored by Hoffman Fabrics. Quilters from all over the world use this year's Hoffman challenge fabric in a small wall quilt. The quilts are judged, and the best are displayed at various quilt shows, including the International Quilt Festival in Houston. The Members' Challenge quilts will also be on display. Guild members will display their challenge wall quilts, which are

based on using small blocks with red and white fabrics only.

One of the highlights of the show is the opportunity to shop at the twenty four vendor booths at the show. Vendors from Texas and Oklahoma will offer quilting related items such as kits, fat quarters, fabric on the bolt, notions, books, and patterns. There will also be vendors offering other items that appeal to quilters. Vendors will also donate door prizes to be awarded throughout the show.

Quilters will also be able to learn about new tools and quilting techniques. There will be hourly demonstrations both Saturday and Sunday. The demonstration schedule will be posted at the quilt show entrance and included in the admission price.

Abilene Quilters Guild makes a large bed quilt each year for the quilt show to benefit various community charities. Again this year the net proceeds will benefit the West Central Texas Food Bank. The quilt pattern was de-

signed by Vickey Dees and Jennifer Tenney. The raffle quilt was pieced by Carolyn Davis and Patti Jackson. Patti also did the quilting. Both ladies are members of the Abilene Quilters' Guild. The winner of the quilt will be announced at 4 PM Saturday afternoon. You do not need to be present to win.

The quilt show will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Friday. The guild will have a snack bar featuring its famous chicken salad sandwiches or pimiento cheese sandwiches, chips, drinks and brownies or cookies. On Saturday, the show opens at 10:00 a.m. and closes at 5:00 p.m. Admission to the show is \$5 per day or \$4 for seniors 65 and over or \$8 for both days. Admission is free for children 12 and under.

For additional information about the show, please see the guild website, [www.abilenequiltersguild.com](http://www.abilenequiltersguild.com) or call 325/677-7243.

## Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau Leaders Address Issued on Capitol Hill

With the pending farm bill and other agricultural issues looming, Texas farmers and ranchers traveled to Washington, D.C., to meet with their U.S. senators and representatives and discuss the issues on Capitol Hill in April.

More than 150 state and county Farm Bureau leaders, led by Texas Farm Bureau (TFB) President Kenneth Dierschke, reconnected with their nationally-elected officials during the TFB National Affairs Awards Trip, April 27-20.

Allen and Jeri Wilson attended from Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau.

"It is very important that we have an ongoing conversation with our political leaders to explain what we need to survive

and thrive," said Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau leader Allen Wilson. "The 2012 Farm Bill was top of mind for all of us as we met with our members of Congress. We reminded them that the farm bill is an important safety net that ensures we can continue to grow food and fiber for all Americans."

In addition to the farm bill, TFB members discussed the effects of the estate tax, capital gains tax and child labor rules that could have a significant impact on agricultural operations in Texas and across the country.

Following the trip, the U.S. Department of Justice withdrew the proposed child labor rules that would prevent many young people from working on a farm

or ranch.

"This is a perfect example of the power of the grassroots process. We, along with other agricultural leaders, explained to our congressmen that these regulations would eliminate a rite of passage for many rural kids—farm jobs have taught young people a strong work ethic and values for generations," Wilson said. "We were glad to see that they heard and responded to our concerns."

Farm Bureau county leaders who qualified for the organization's annual awards trip to Washington did so by working with their elected officials on a regular basis and participating in national affairs events in their districts.

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## CPHS Homecoming Set for September Start Making Plans to Attend

The Cross Plains Ex-Student Association has the schedule planned for the upcoming 2012 Homecoming event.

The celebration will begin Tuesday, September 11th with a Community Hot Dog Supper at 6:00 p.m. at the Buffalo Football Field.

Friday, September 14th at 7:30 p.m. the Pep Rally will be held at the football field honoring the 2009 FFA State Champions and the 2011 FFA National Champions.

Saturday, September 15th the Coffee and Registration will be held from 9 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the high school library. There will be a \$5.00 registration fee to help with postage and expenses.

The Business Meeting follows from 11 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. in the auditorium. Classes will be sectioned by decades. The King and Queen Nominees will be announced at this time.

Lunch will be at 11:30 a.m. in the Cafeteria sponsored by the Band Boosters.

The Parade downtown is set

for 2 p.m. and the Coming Home King and Queen will be honored. Following the parade we invite you to visit the Veterans Memorial and to see the new Footbridge at Treadway Park.

Class Meetings will start at 3:30 p.m. and the locations will be published at a later date.

The Football Game featuring the C.P. Buffaloes and Abilene Wind will be at 7:30 p.m.

After Game Coffee at the Cross Plains Public Library will be held for further visiting and you can also view the wonderful facilities of the library.

After Game Dance will start at 9 p.m. at Treadway Park.

Ex-Student Association Officers are:

Greg Turner - President  
Jackie Dale Thomas - Vice-President  
Connie (Roby) Kirkham - Sec/Treasurer  
Morning Coffee  
Dannes (Dickson) Turner - Registration  
Scarlett (Harrell) Koettel - Hot Dog Supper

Susan McNeel and Roxie (McConal) Thomas - Parade  
Charlou (Richardson) Cowan - Class Meetings  
Debbie (Tyler) Reed - Coronation  
Bobbie Lou (Wooten) Hinkle - After Game Coffee  
Rusty Reed - Dance  
Vanda (Anderson) Draper - Publicity.

If you would like to submit a story about school day memories and photos from the past, please e-mail them to:

crossplainsreview@earthlink.net or mail to  
Cross Plains Review  
P.O. Box 519  
Cross Plains, TX 76443.

**Editor's Note:** Your personal input prior to C.P.H.S. Homecoming helps encourage others to attend. Please take a few minutes and write down your memories or send us photos that have never been used in the newspaper during homecoming. We appreciate your cooperation.  
Vanda (Anderson) Draper



**Farmers Market Breads** — Melody Jones (left) and Ann Powers (right), of Country Comforts had a booth at the Farmers Market last Saturday and sold items, such as breads, cakes, pies, soup mixes, dips, salsas and oils. Yum! Yum!



**Peaches And Pecans** — Bob Childress, of Childress Farms made a big impact with his juicy peaches and wonderful pecans at the Farmers Market last Saturday.

## Tanner French 2nd Annual Memorial Walk

The 2nd Annual Tanner Ray French Memorial Walk will be held on Saturday, May 19th at 10:00 a.m. in Breckenridge. A 3 mile route will be the same as last year beginning and ending at the Bethany Baptist Church parking lot on West Walker St.

There will be a refreshment station and balloon release at the half way point which will be in front of the Stephens County Courthouse. There will be a booth set up at Frontier Days in Breckenridge for those wishing to pre-register or to buy memorial

There will be t-shirts, cups, lanyards, chap stick and gum all personalized with Tanner Ray French—We Still "Remember That Name". Car decals are still available as well as key chains, dog tags and wrist bands.

If you would like to be a sponsor for the walk and did not receive a sponsorship form, if you would like to order a t-shirt or wish to pre-register for the walk, please contact one of the following for more information: Darla French (254)-246-5521, Madysen (McElvany) Cox (817)

992-1217, Corey Clary (254) 246-0898 or Karen Weeks (254) 246-9076.

All proceeds benefit the Tanner Ray French Memorial Scholarship Fund.

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## Cross Plains Farmers Market Open its First Saturday

Even though it was a cool and cloudy day, the vendors who brought their produce to the Farmers Market Saturday had a successful day. Childress Farms brought fresh peaches and shelled pecans. The peaches must have been delicious because more than one patron bit in and started eating immediately.

Ann Powers and Melody Jones brought spices, soup mixes, homemade bread, cakes and pies. If the baked goods tasted as good as they looked, they must have been fabulous. Both vendors said they had good days and would be back again.

So if you are considering a booth, we would love to have you. For more information or an application, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 254-725-7251 or email us at CrossPlainsChamber@yahoo.com. The booth fee has been reduced to \$10 per day and we've set the hours from 8-12 noon, but if you are selling lots and wish to stay all day, you certainly can.

Hopefully with the recent rains, all those gardens will make and everyone will start picking yummy fruits and vegetables. We welcome any type food products, antiques/uniques, art

and handmade items or crafts. We request no garage sale items or used clothing please.

If you are interested in shopping the farmers market, I highly recommend it! We expect there will be more vendors every Saturday and there will be a variety of items to choose from.

Also, Taste of Texas will have their outdoor furniture and metal art available on market days as well.

Come on out and support your community, you'll be glad you did!

Submitted by  
Shana Hinyard



### The Recipe Corner

#### Grilled Chicken Wraps

##### Ingredients

1/4 cup olive oil  
3 tablespoons lime juice  
2 garlic cloves, minced  
1/4 teaspoon ground cumin  
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper  
1/2 pound boneless skinless chicken breast  
2 flour tortillas (8 inches), warmed  
Optional toppings: chopped green onions, olives, chopped tomatoes, shredded cheddar cheese, sour cream and/or shredded lettuce

##### Directions

In a large resealable plastic bag, combine the first five ingredients; add the chicken. Seal bag and turn to coat; refrigerate for up to 2 hours.

Drain and discard marinade. Grill chicken, uncovered, over medium heat for 4-5 minutes on each side or until juices run clear. Slice chicken into strips. Serve in tortillas with toppings of your choice 2 servings.



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## Oplin Memorial Day Service

The Oplin Community would like to invite everyone out to their annual Memorial Day services on Monday, May 28th, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. Our services will be held at the Oplin Cemetery which is located just east of our community center which is located at the intersection of F.M. 604 So. and F.M. 2926

The Texas National Guard will present arms, and Clyde Boy Scout troop 223 will present colors. We will also have a guest speaker on hand to help honor our fallen veterans, veterans, and those still serving our country. Please contact Doug or Judy Campbell at 529-4301 for further information.

After our services, everyone is invited to the Community Center for refreshments.

### Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from May 5, 2012 through May 11, 2012 include:

Cases Investigated  
Warnings—127  
Complaints—27  
DWI—1  
Driving While License Suspended—1

#### Vehicle Accidents

There were nine vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.



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## Saluting Unsung Heroes: Military Spouses

By Sen. John Cornyn  
During Military Appreciation Month, we salute not only the brave men and women who wear the uniform but also the individuals who provide unyielding support from the home front - our nation's military spouses. During every critical turn in our nation's history, the military spouse has been a calm, strong presence working to support the heroes who have placed their lives in arm's way on our behalf.

On the bitter cold days of the winter of 1777, some of America's original military spouses, then called "campfollowers," arrived at the sides of their husbands, ready to serve and support the war effort. As detailed by Betty Sowers Alt and Bonnie Domrose Stone in *Campfollowing: A History of the Military Wife*, by accompanying their husbands and sharing their hardships, these women were setting a precedent for the millions of wives who would follow their husbands to forts and encampments worldwide during the more than 200-year history of the American military.

Since America's early days, military spouses have made constant sacrifices to support the service of our men and women in uniform. Most are required to endure multiple moves, packing up their families, leaving their friends and neighbors and relocating on short notice. Upon arriving at a new base, they cautiously unpack, knowing that the cycle of repacking will begin all too soon. With each move, they must establish new doctors, new schools, new houses, new jobs, new friends, and new places of worship. On top of this transience, they also face multiple deployments and the mixed emotions these partings bring. As their loved ones deploy, military spouses

must assume the role of single parent and the sole caretaker of the family's home and finances.

Perhaps no state has known more military spouses than Texas, home to 15 major military installations and nearly 2 million veterans. It is often said, Texas defends America, and no more clearly is that evidenced than throughout the networks of closely knitted Texas military spouses who not only support their spouses but also provide critical support to fellow military families and rally the community around our service members when they need it most.

This year, I was informed of an extraordinary Texan who was nominated for the 2012 Military Spouse of the Year award. Mrs. Christine Gilbreath of Crowley, Texas, has supported her husband, National Guard Army Staff Sgt. William Scott Gilbreath, during 18 years of service. Christine was nominated by numerous friends and fellow military spouses because she has gone above and beyond to care not only for her family but the families of many other service members through her work as a Family Readiness Group Leader. When her husband's battalion lost seven soldiers in an aircraft accident in Iraq, Christine was the glue that kept the families and spouses together during this very difficult time. Christine took charge of coordinating funeral arrangements, which took place simultaneously in different locations in Texas and Oklahoma, and providing support to the families of the fallen. One friend wrote, Her dedication and tireless work during a very sad time for our soldiers and families was nothing short of amazing. Throughout her husband's 18 years of service, Christine has

coordinated numerous support efforts, including initiating holiday gift drives for the children of service members in financial duress and establishing a monetary fund to help these families pay bills during tough times. She has traveled throughout Texas, visiting multiple bases and helping other spouses prepare for deployments.

According to her friends, Christine has never let her own burdens keep her from assisting others. Among other hardships, Christine was diagnosed in 2003 with Multiple Sclerosis. With her husband deployed to Iraq, Christine was accompanied by her best friend, a fellow military spouse, when she received the news. Christine says if she could go back in time for one day, she would revisit that day and "sit with myself, hold my hand, and let me know that it will all work out, everything happens for a reason, and yes, there will be challenges, but none that I cannot overcome." Hindsight is a wonderful tool, being able to talk to my then self would be fantastic, but even that could never overcome the power and comfort of a Military Spouse by your side.

I know all Texans join me today, on Military Spouse Appreciation Day, in saluting Christine and the often unsung efforts of millions of her fellow military spouses. Thank you for your selfless service, and to all of Texas military moms, Happy Mother's Day.

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.

## Cross Plains' retail sales in 2012 are 1% higher

The City of Cross Plains' one percent city sales tax payments in 2012 are higher by just over one percent, according to the Texas State Comptroller's office.

Texas State Comptroller Susan Combs reported the city's sales tax payment on Friday, May 11th.

Cross Plains' 2012 sales tax payments for the year totalled \$85,778.88, which is 1.60 percent higher than the \$84,422.84 in sales tax rebate payments collected in 2011.

The payment to the city for May 2012 was \$20,000.94, which is 2.95 percent lower than the May 2011 payment of \$20,610.71 to the city.

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs announced today, May 11th, that state sales tax revenue in April was \$2.07 billion, up 10.9 percent compared to April 2011.

"Sales tax revenue has now increased for 25 consecutive months. Recent strength in sales tax collections continued in both business and consumer spending categories," Combs said. "Growth was led by the oil and natural gas-related sectors, while significant gains also came from retail trade and restaurants."

Combs will send May local sales tax allocations totaling \$633 million to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 5.5 percent compared to May 2011.

Combs distributed \$421.0 million in May 2012 allocations to Texas cities, which is up 4.4 percent from May 2011 and higher by 8.0 percent year-to-date.

She reported \$41.0 million in May 2012 allocations to Texas counties, which is higher by 9.5 percent compared to May 2011 and higher by 14.1 percent year-to-date.

The Texas transit systems received \$140.8 million in May 2012 sales tax allocations, which is 5.4 percent higher than May 2011 and up 9.5 percent year-to-date.

Special Purpose Taxing Districts received \$30.2 million in May 2012 allocations, which is 18.0 percent higher than May 2011 and higher by 23.1 percent year-to-date.

Total sales tax allocations were \$633.0 million in May 2012, which is 5.5 percent higher than May 2011 and up 9.4 percent year-to-date.

The sales tax figures represent monthly sales made in March as well as January, February, and March sales by businesses that report tax quarterly.

For details of local sales tax

CROSS PLAINS SALES TAX PAYMENTS		
	2011	2012
Total yearly sales tax payments	\$84,422.84	\$85,778.88
Total monthly sales tax payments	\$20,610.71	\$20,000.94

allocations in April to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allotsum/compsum.html](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allotsum/compsum.html).

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments include:

—The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 2012 started the year 8.83 percent lower than the 2011 payments. The city has received \$50,360.55 in 2012, while the 2011 tax payments to the city totalled \$55,243.72.

Baird's monthly payment for May 2012 was \$13,185.45, which is 3.37 percent higher than the \$12,755.38 payment made to the city in May 2011.

—The 2012 sales tax payments in the City of Clyde are 3.91 percent higher than the payments made to the city in 2011. The sales tax rebates for the City of Clyde have amounted to \$224,405.23 in 2012. The 2011 payments to the city during the same payment period were \$215,957.61.

The City of Clyde's monthly payment for May 2012 was \$59,721.44, which is higher by 2.67 percent compared to May 2011 in which a payment of \$58,162.72 was received.

—The City of Putnam reported the 2012 payments to the town totalled \$5,863.55, up 11.75 percent from the 2011 payments to the city in the amount of \$5,247.00.

Putnam's tax payment for the month of May 2012 was \$1,432.58, which is 99.02 percent higher than the May 2011 payment of \$719.79.

Countywide, sales tax payments for 2012 in Callahan County are higher by 1.53 percent compared to the 2011 payments in the county. Callahan County towns received

sales tax payments in 2012 amounting to \$366,408.21 while the 2011 payments to the county towns totalled \$360,871.17.

The tax rebates in Callahan County for the month of May 2012 were \$94,340.41, which is 2.26 percent higher than the May 2011 payment of \$92,248.60.

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

Clyde businesses collect 2.00%, including one percent for the City of Clyde, one-half of one percent for the Clyde Economic Development Corporation and one-half of one percent to reduce property taxes (Proceeds to benefit the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department).

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

Baird collects 1.50% in local sales tax of which 1.00% is allocated to the city and 0.50% is allocated to the community's economic development corporation.

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

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

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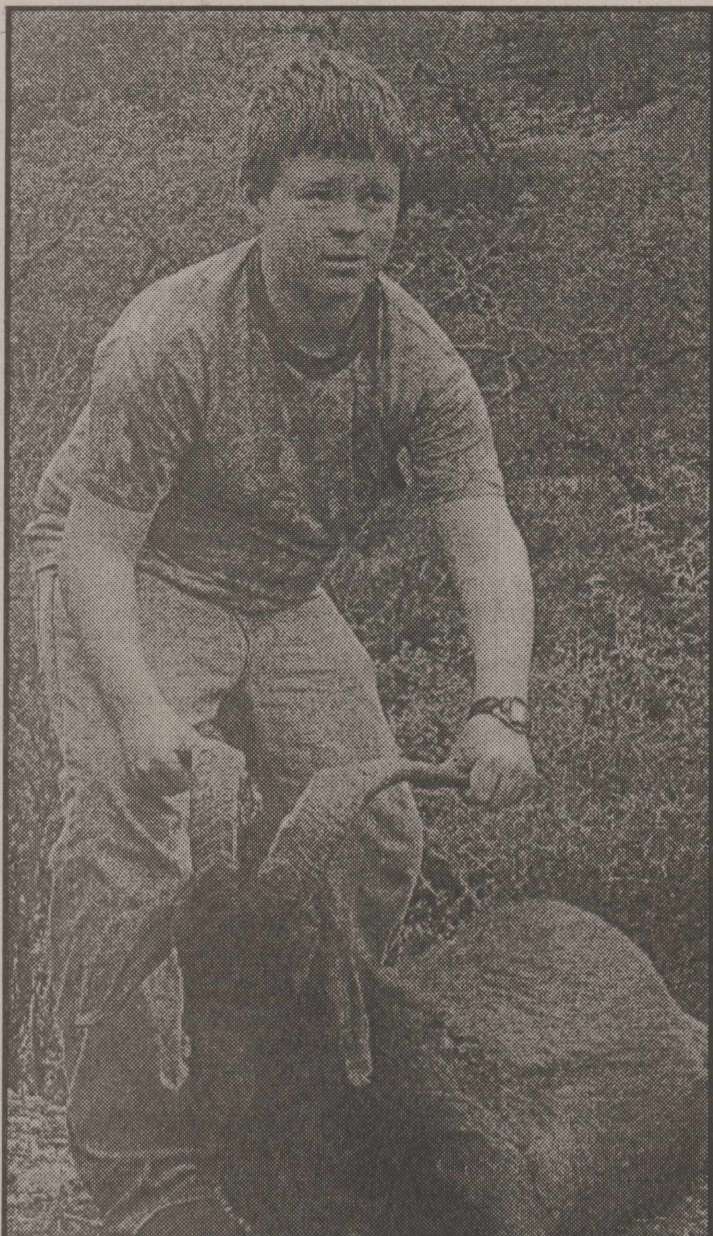
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**Ram Hunt Scholarship Winner** — Michael Foster was given a fireman scholarship on a ram hunt for the second year. The scholarship was given by Matt Mattingly who owns the Old Dawkin's place in Sabanna. A total of eleven rams were shot near Barksdale, Texas. Sixteen men and boys from the local area towns hunted, along with one boy from the metroplex, Joshua Morris, son of Jeff Morris.

## Grand Ole Oplin Bi-Annual Homecoming June 2nd

The Oplin Community Center would like to remind everyone to mark their calendar on Saturday, June 2nd for our Bi-Annual Homecoming. If you've ever lived in the Oplin community or if you live in the Oplin community now you are invited. Come out and see friends you haven't seen in years, come out and meet the old timers and discuss old times. Come out and meet your neighbors. Talk with our volunteer firefighters and join our fire department, we can always use a few good volunteers. Join our community center and you can volunteer there too. Bring your old school pictures, or pictures of the original settlers in our area to be shared for everyone's enjoyment.

The community center will provide the brisket and sausage and everyone else is asked to bring a side dish or a dessert to be shared by everyone. Doors will be opened by 9:00 a.m. For further information please contact Pam Rumfield at 325-529-4522.

So mark your calendar, gather the family and come on out to the Oplin Community Center for a day of good friends, good neighbors and a really good meal.

## GET IN SHAPE and Have Fun, Too

A Zumba Class is held every Thursday at 5:15 p.m. at the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center on Main Street. You can get in shape and have fun at the same time!

This is not just for senior citizens! Anyone may join and there is plenty room for more to participate.

Classes are \$2.00 each, that benefits the Cross Plains Senior Citizens, or donate \$2.00 (2 cans) of canned goods.

Come out and learn how to Zumba. According to the participants, you won't regret it!!!!



### MAY 23

Mary Ellen Magnus  
Alene Hale  
H.P. Hopkins  
Mrs. Bill Stroope  
Mrs. Ray Hackonsen  
Rita Boyd  
Jackie Lapata  
Audry Wheeler  
Janelle Irwin

### MAY 24

Ashley Jamison  
George Webb, Jr.  
Edith Darlene Hinesly  
Bobby Vaught  
Darlene Meador  
Raymond Franke  
Mrs. Wes Holcomb  
Buck Morris  
Clifton Chambers  
Angela Sue Purvis  
Sam Warren  
Frances Taylor  
Stacy Lynn Smith  
Kristin Wells

### MAY 25

Elizabeth Elliot  
Synove Duran  
Cory Phillips  
Jimmie Fleming  
Garland Ford  
Patti Burks Pope  
Steven Havener  
Sharon Reed  
Neel Danitte Lovell  
Paula (Kennedy) Price

### MAY 26

Jerry Boyle  
LeRoy Butler  
Jackie Rector  
Dona (Long) Waggoner  
Stefanie Lynn Swinney  
Tony Winfrey  
Trey Fortune  
Becky Wilson  
Cade Thomas McCoy

### MAY 27

Riley Miranda Netzhammer  
Cecil Ray Kelly  
William R. Taylor  
Balinda R. Taylor  
Virginia Shoemaker

### MAY 28

Earl Meroney  
Jarad Landon Richards  
Iris Davis  
Austin Tate Hilburn

### MAY 29

Keegan Lane King  
Kelly Ford  
Doug Richard Adams  
Jerry Ramey  
Ben Honea  
Mrs. Glenn Merrill  
Charlotte (Albrecht) Haston  
Chasity Marv

## Former Resident Published His First Book of Duets Scenes

Michael Moore has just published his first book of duets scenes. He was born and raised in Cross Plains, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Audie Moore. He graduated Cross Plains High School in 1973. Moore currently lives in Atoka, TN.

*100 Duet Scenes for Teens* by Michael Moore is available Spring 2012 from Meriwether Publishing Ltd., is a unique collection of one-minute scenes covering a wide variety of subjects, both comedic and dramatic.

As a theatre teacher for 20 years, Moore recognized that in order for his students to fully comprehend their characters, they needed material that was easy to memorize and had a definite beginning, middle and end.

The one-minute length of these scenes affords students the

opportunity to quickly memorize their parts and breathe life into the characters on the page. To help students pick the perfect scene, the book is divided into four sections: Gender Neutral, Male and Female, Males Only and Females Only. The short plays in this collection can be used for auditions, acting practice or an evening of entertainment. Included in a introduction with a review of play components and punctuation to help students further understand their roles.

Titles include "Daring," "Superstitious," "Betrayed," "Silly," "Chilling Out," "Salty," "Addiction," "Guarantees" and more.

Michael Moore is a high school theatre teacher and published playwright with an MFA in playwrighting. He has directed over 100 plays.

## Area Students Receive Degrees from McMurry University in Abilene

The following students have been awarded degrees at McMurry University's Commencement Saturday, May 12, 2012 in the Radford Auditorium.

**Daniel Baltes of Clyde, TX** has been awarded a Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies degree in Business / Psychology / Art.

**Kasey Bartlett of Clyde, TX** has been awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics.

**Christi Brennan of Clyde, TX** has been awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in Religion & English Summa Cum Laude.

**Macayla Cook of Cross Plains, TX** has been awarded a

Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies degree in Kinesiology / Psychology / Early Childhood.

**Lela Darnell of Baird, TX** has been awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in Multimedia and Graphic Design.

**Wendy Held of Clyde, TX** has been awarded a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Finance Cum Laude.

**Haley Wilkerson of Clyde, TX** has been awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education Magna Cum Laude.

Congratulations to these students for their outstanding achievements.

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