

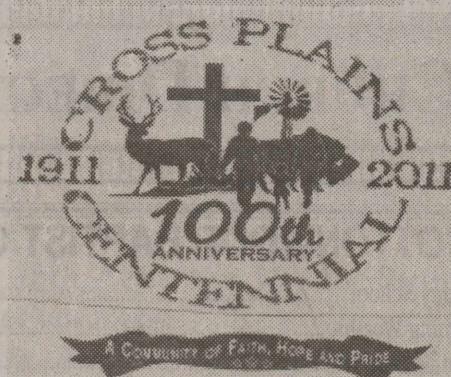
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## Chamber of Commerce Names City of Cross Plains Business of the Month

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce has selected The City of Cross Plains as the Business of the Month for August.

The City of Cross Plains was established in 1911 and has been serving the needs of its citizens ever since. Currently the City has nine full-time employees and four part-time.

The City has been providing its citizens with exceptional services

for many years and continues to find ways to improve the quality of life for its citizens.

The City is governed by a Mayor and five councilmen elected at large. Each councilman volunteers many hours of their time to improve the community, recognizing the need to stay abreast of the daily changes that occur. The elected officials as well as their staff have dedicated

their labors for the betterment of the community.

Each councilman's door is always open to listen and assist when possible. The Mayor and council encourages each and every citizen to become an active part of the community.

Submitted by  
Myleah McNutt  
Administrative Assistant  
C.P. Chamber of Commerce

## Wheeler Family Spaghetti Benefit Supper this Friday

The Classes of 1989 and 1991 will host a Spaghetti Supper to benefit Alyssa, Robbie and Carrie (Renfro) Wheeler. Alyssa will be a junior at Cross Plains High School. The benefit will be held Friday, August 10th from 5:30pm - 8:30pm at the Cross Plains Community Center

at 108 N Beech St. The cost of the meal will be \$10 per plate and will consist of spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, dessert, and drink. For your entertainment while enjoying the meal, 4His Glory will be performing.

There will also be a Silent Auction featuring cakes and

many other items of interest.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this worthy cause. Thank you in advance for your support.

For more information, contact Pam (Glover) Smith at 254-725-2789 or by email at pams91@embarqmail.com.

## Benefit Bash for the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center Saturday, Aug. 11th

Take a break from the heat and join us at a showcase of local talent as J's Art and Soul hosts an evening dedicated to area artists. Paintings, photography, jewelry, spurs, knives and pottery is just a sample of the items that will be on display. The show will feature the work of Jessica and James Gilbert, Cheryl Kincheloe, Tonjia Foster, Chad Cunningham, Babs Sherrell, Kim Cunningham, Sara Stone, Bonnie Ree White, Martine Pittman Rhonda Cox, Mary Graves, J.A. Ravenelli, Betty Beggs, Mary Barton, Peter Spano, Avalon Hicks and we have space available for additional

artists. A silent auction will also be held with items donated by individuals and businesses in our area with something for everyone. Items include paintings, handmade knife, mosaic cross, coat rack, lamp, jewelry, photography, pottery, housecleaning, rope basket and gift certificates from Cross Plains Review, Salamanders, Connie's Cuts and Curls, Subway and Snippets, and the list continues to grow. All proceeds from the silent auction will benefit the Senior Citizens Center. As an added bonus, an anonymous

donor has pledged to match the amount raised during the silent auction.

Admission is FREE and refreshments with a Spanish flair will be provided and you will be entertained by a Spanish dancer.

Come and enjoy the talents of your friends and neighbors and help a good cause, August 11th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

If you are an artist and would like more information or would like to donate an auction item, please call Neva Yates at 254-725-0004 or Dannes Turner at 254-725-6521.

Submitted by  
Dannes Turner

## Reserve Football Seats on Sale August 8th

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## Planning a Labor Day Weekend Picnic?

The Cross Plains Public Library is taking orders for 10-12 pound fully-cooked briskets for Labor Day Weekend at \$50 each.

If you would like to order a delicious brisket, smoked to perfection by experienced local cooks, please call the library at 254-725-7722 by Thursday, August 23rd.

Orders will be available for pickup on Friday, August 31st.

Submitted by  
Michelle Kaiser

## Assistance for new business start-ups is available August 10th

ABILENE, TEXAS---The West Texas Innovation Network is co-sponsoring an Entrepreneur Boot Camp to assist new business start-ups. The boot camp will be held Friday August 10, 2012, 8:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Hunter Welcome Center on the ACC campus.

The program will consist of speakers from ACC faculty, successful entrepreneurs and experienced business professionals. The focus will be to apply ideas and concepts to the ventures being started by those in attendance. Specific topics will include: attributes of successful entrepreneurs, assessing your readiness as an entrepreneur, recognizing and evaluating opportunities, business model de-

sign, legal concerns for start-ups and building the right team.

The boot camp is intended for three targeted audiences.

1. Those individuals who have thought about starting their own ventures, but may be looking for the right idea.

2. Entrepreneurs who have an idea for a new venture and are preparing to launch, but need some help either in refining their concept or management team development.

3. Entrepreneurs who have launched a venture and are still in the early stages, yet find themselves struggling with aspect of the business or finding a suitable business model.

For more information go to: [www.wtin.org](http://www.wtin.org).

## Hunters Provide Over 600,000 Servings of Venison

This year, the Texas Hunters for the Hungry program provided 153,082 pounds of venison to nearly 100 organizations that serve low income people across Texas. That is more than 600,000 servings of lean protein in the diets of those hungry, or at risk of hunger. The program, administered by the Texas Association of Community Action Agencies, Inc. (TACAA), has exceeded nine million servings of venison over the last two decades.

Hunters for the Hungry thanks the hunters and participating meat processors for helping alleviate hunger in their local communities. For most food pantries and the families they serve, meat items are hard to come by and relatively expensive. Because venison donations are distributed free of charge, it helps stretch both the food assistance organization's and the family's budgets by not having to buy meat. Dollars can be leveraged for other needed resources:

"Our client families often have to choose between basic food items and buying meds or paying for housing and utilities. Meat is a luxury - but the venison donated through your program has made a difference in providing protein and nutrients they would not have." - Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries, Boerne

"Our shelter population has increased since we moved to our new location; therefore we are serving more meals to the new members we are getting. We use the meat in a variety of dishes that help spread our food dollars." - Mid-Coast Family Services, Victoria

As another hunting season approaches, Hunters for the Hungry encourages hunters and meat processors to participate. Hunters take their legally harvested deer to a participating meat processor, pay a nominal fee to cover basic processing costs, and the meat processor does the rest. Donations are ground into burger, packaged, and stored for local food assistance providers to pick up. All meat donated to the program is distributed to families and individuals in need through local food banks, food pantries, and soup kitchens.

Qualified meat processors are needed to process deer donations for the 2012-2013 season. Interested processors and hunters may call 1-800-992-9767, ext. 506, or visit [www.tacaa.org/hunters-for-the-hungry](http://www.tacaa.org/hunters-for-the-hungry) to find out more.

The Texas Association of Community Action Agencies, Inc. (TACAA) provides outreach and coordination efforts for the Texas Hunters for the Hungry program.

## Barbeque Dinner In Cottonwood on Saturday, August 11th

Come out to Cottonwood on Saturday, August 11th for a great barbecue dinner, live music and some of the area's best coon dogs.

Barbecue brisket, ribs and sausage will be served by the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group along with side dishes, iced tea and dessert - all for only \$6.00 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The band, Eight Eighty East, comprised of Sid and R.W. Bogue of Cottonwood, will perform a variety of music at the dinner.

The dinner is in conjunction with the Battle Creek Coon

Hunter's Association, a UKC sanctioned organization. Coon hunters from across the state will be in attendance with their dogs, who will hunt later in the evening.

The dinner will be at the Cottonwood Baptist Church Family Center, located just off of FM 880 on FM 1079 in Cottonwood. Come out early and visit with coon hunters and see the coon dogs. The Bench Show for the coon dogs starts at 6 p.m.

Proceeds from the dinner benefit the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group.

## "A Day at the Sunrise Natural Park" VBS Nimrod Baptist Church

Nimrod Baptist Church will have a one day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, August 11th. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. It will dismiss at 2:30 p.m.

Please join us for a day at the

SonRise Natural Park. Ages are 3 years through 6th grade.

For more information or directions to the church, call Stacie Kennedy 254-433-1655 or Glenda Shawver 254-725-6561.

## ASTRONAUT to Visit; a Town Meeting Planned

Former NASA Astronaut Sid Gutierrez is coming to visit Cross Plains on Monday, November 26, 2012. There will be a town meeting on Thursday, August 16th at 6:30 p.m. in the Texas Heritage Bank's Mozelle Richardson Room to make plans for his visit.

Local businesses and organizations are invited to send one person (only one, please) to the meeting, so that all voices may be represented.

Submitted by  
Michelle Kaiser

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## Services Held for Cottonwood Resident Norma Strahan on Sunday August 5th

Norma Strahan, age 83, departed this life on Thursday, August 2, 2012 at 6:59 p.m. at the home of her daughter in Argyle, Texas. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 5, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. at the Cottonwood Baptist Church with David Braun officiating. Burial was in the Cottonwood Cemetery.

Norma Ruth Springett was born in Del Norte, Colorado on October 21, 1928 to Ralph Hiram and Nina Emma Carr Springett. Norma attended high school in Durango, Colorado where she was a flute player in the band and graduated just after the end of WWII in 1946. She attended school in Omaha, NE and then returned to Durango and worked as a telephone operator until she met and married Harold Virgil Strahan, after a 6-week courtship, on September 2, 1959.

Norma and Harold had one child, Kim Leigh, born on September 20, 1961. Norma worked as a beauty operator in Cross Plains for many years. She joined Cottonwood Baptist Church in 1971 and began playing the piano at the church in March 1972. She attended Nursing School in Cisco and graduated in August 1979. She then worked at the Cisco Hospital until its closing in 1991. For most of the next 20 plus years, Norma made the 160 mile drive to Argyle on Mondays and back to Cottonwood on Fridays to care for and spend time with Kim and Randy and the girls. "Mommer Norma" attended every ball game, choir concert, dance recital, etc. that she could. But she came

home every weekend because Cottonwood was her home and her heart was always there. She loved her friends and her church. Norma was the pianist at Cottonwood Baptist Church for 43 years and served a church secretary as well. She loved to play the piano and enjoyed the singing so much. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Norma is survived by her husband, Harold Strahan of Cottonwood; her daughter and family, Kim and Randy Trost and Kylie of Argyle, Ashleigh Scott of Dallas, Jami Scott of Argyle and Brandi Trost of College Station; and other family including Norma Jean Tietz, Janice and Lloyd Moore, Jimmie Strahan, Miriam Strahan, Bruce and Billie Jean Strahan, Paul and Susie Strahan, Beth Strahan, Cindy Strahan, David Strahan, Ramona Royall, Mary Green and Celesta and Gene Parker.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister.

Pallbearers were Carlisle Albrecht, Rusty Dimitri, Josh Hendon, Greg Steinle, Wade Stephens, Bruce Strahan, David Strahan and Randy Trost; Honorary pallbearers were Zeke Blackstock, James Caffey, Nicolas Dimitri, Thomas Dimitri, David Estes, Matt McGowen, Josh King, Homer Parson, Clay Richardson and Bob Trost.

Isaiah 25:8 "...He will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces; He will remove His people's disgrace from all the earth. The Lord has spoken."

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## CHURCH DIRECTORY

### COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School .....9:45 AM  
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### 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

### 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

### Juanita Harlow

Juanita Harlow passed away on July 30, 2012 in Alto, New Mexico. Graveside services were held Friday, August 3, 2012 in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

Juanita was raised in Cross Plains and moved back to her hometown where she resided for several years.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Jean Fore of the Pioneer Community.

Survivors include Janet Harlow and partner Julie of Alto, New Mexico and Jeff Harlow and wife Jill of La Luz, New Mexico.



### Junior Ford, Jr.

Junior Ford, Jr., 63, passed from this life on August 1, 2012, at Texas Harris Southwest Hospital, Fort Worth. He was born in Rising Star, Texas, September 18, 1948 to Junior and Valera Jean Tankersley Ford.

Junior grew up in Cross Plains and attended Cross Plains Schools graduating with the Class of 1968. He was the manager for the football team during his high school years.

After graduation he moved to Abilene and worked on a ranch in south Taylor County for a few years. He moved back to Abilene and went to work for Westwood Car Wash where he was employed for 17 years. He went to Colorado for a few months before returning to Potosi. In 2003 he moved to Lawn here he lived until his passing.

Junior loved life to its fullest. He loved unconditionally and never met a stranger. He was special and all that knew him loved him as well.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 4, at 2:00 p.m. in the Cross Plains First Baptist Church with Maxy Evans officiating. Burial followed in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Billy Golson, Glenn Golson, John Marcee, Cutter Golson, Chancy Golson, Bob Golson, Bill Marcee, Joe Hargrove, Tony Helmer, and Jim Brown. Honorary pallbearers were Chris Shearin, Darrell Hanley, Damon Albus, Darren Albus, Dennis Albus, Warren Hardin and Sonny Burleson and the graduating classes of 1966, 1967 and 1968 from Cross Plains High School.

Junior is survived by four sisters, Pat Albus and husband Butch, Katy Lewis, Carol Rogers and Sharon Davis and her husband Allen; five nieces and five nephews; twenty-six great-nephews and eighteen great-nieces and a large extended family.

He was preceded in death by his father Junior Ford, Sr., mother Valera Jean Trinkner, nephew Jamey Gregston, and nieces Vanessa Stanley and Nicole Ziegler.

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### Want To Write Your Elected Officials?

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, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20500 or call 202-456-1111.  
[www.whitehouse.com](http://www.whitehouse.com)

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>

### Emergency Farm Loan Applications being accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by Drought beginning January 1, 2012 and continuing are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Anson, Texas, Richard G. Young said today.

Callahan, Coleman, Eastland, Jones, Shackelford and Stephens Counties are 6 of 252 counties in Texas recently named eligible for loans to cover part of production and physical losses resulting from the Drought beginning January 1, 2012 and continuing. Richard G. Young, said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue the agricultural business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest rate is currently 2.25 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan", Richard G. Young, said. Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to consider proceeds from

those programs in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until March 12, 2013, but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing, with possible delays into the new farming season", Richard G. Young said.

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who meet U.S. citizenship requirements and to farming partnerships, corporations, or cooperatives in which U.S. citizenship requirements are met by individuals holding a majority interest.

The FSA office in Anson, Texas is open from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Additional Information regarding Disaster Assistance Programs may be found online at <http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov>.

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## COURTHOUSE NEWS

Callahan County Court  
 Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Tina L. Jiminez, theft by check.  
 Jessica L. Rodriguez, theft by check.  
 Tammy Hooper, harassment.

Misdemeanor Minutes

End of term order discharging defendant under deferred adjudication: Stephanie E. Rios.

End of term order discharging defendants under misdemeanor probation: David Paul Savage; Brian Eugene Miller; Jim Carlile Wilson; Mark J. Cortez.

Colton J. Patterson, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted for completion of pre-trial diversion.

Marriage Licenses

David Glenn Taylor and Jayel Lynn Wolsch, both of Clyde.

42nd District Court  
 John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Minutes

Ralph Meredith, order dismissing motion to revoke probation and amending conditions of probation granted.

Cathy D. Lambert, plea of guilty to burglary of a habitation, 8 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$289 court costs.

Civil Filings

Tara Lea Hackett and Randy Kyle Hair, divorce.

Cassandra L. Brown vs. Joseph E. Brown, divorce.

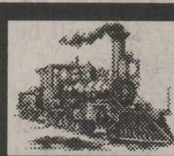
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## Love Fund Established for Alyssa Wheeler

A Love Fund has been established at Texas Heritage Bank for Alyssa Wheeler, following a severe vehicle accident. She is currently hospitalized in a Fort Worth hospital with serious injuries. She is the daughter of Robbie and Carrie Wheeler of

Cottonwood. The family would be appreciative of your assistance and prayers for recovery during this difficult time. Donations may be made at the local bank or mailed to: Texas Heritage Bank P.O. Box 699 Cross Plains, TX 76443.

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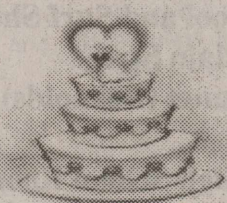


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## Pioneer Quilting Club

Marqueta Westbrook

Last Tuesday our club met for our weekly quilting session. Members present were Olena Ezzell, Glenda Phillips, Barbara Medley, Norma Tucker, Lou Grider and Marqueta Westbrook. Our quilt club is a warm and inviting group of women who come together to share ideas and information on all sorts of things. We always quilt on Tuesday, but we are excited to add Thursdays to our schedule.

Several have expressed an interest in quilting but they are unable to come in the daytime. So we have decided to quilt on Thursday evenings beginning September 6th from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. You do not have to be there at exactly 6 p.m. and you do not have to stay until 9 p.m. But we do hope you will come and join us. We have some fun projects planned and some classes to offer. If you need more information call 254-643-3223.

And remember, "Quilting is more than a hobby...it is a record of life."

## Helping Hearts and Hands Apply for Help NOW!!!!

If you are a homeowner and your home is in need of minor repairs: painting, plumbing, insulation and caulking, the Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative would like to extend a hand to assist you.

Free assistance is available to homeowners who are elderly, handicapped and/or low income. Applications are available now at the Senior Citizens Center, Texas Heritage Bank and the City Hall. The application deadline will be at the end of September. If you need assistance in filling out the application, please call Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819.

This is a worthwhile community project that has been active since 1998. Volunteers will be needed once again to complete these projects, so be looking for a date to be set in the all of this year.

We are excited and looking forward to this year's endeavor. If you have any questions or would like more information, please call Pat Stephens 254-725-6819 or Roxie Thomas 254-725-6141.

Submitted by Pat Stephens

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Wednesday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
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July 30 - August 2 2012

Patrons	230
Books Checked Out	148
Programs	69
Summer Reading	54
GED Class	7
Other	8
Copies	368
Internet	65
Interlibrary Loans	1
Reference	14

### Donations

The First United Methodist Church  
Bob and Lavonne Childress

### Books and Miscellaneous Donations

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Debbie Reed  
Jim Isbell

### Volunteers

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Michelle Kaiser  
Sue Bennett  
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Homer Parson  
Sunbeam Wahl

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

## Cross Plains Remembered Volume 2 Available NOW

Cross Plains Remembered Volume 2, the second Cross Plains Remembered book is on the stands and available now at Texas Heritage Bank, the Senior Center, Salamander's, Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply, Cross Plains Review, Cross Plains Library or Connie's Cuts and Curls. The book is \$20.

The new book features more photos, other material gathered at the scanning events at the Senior Center this spring. In fact, so much material came in during those scanning events that it wouldn't all fit into Volume 2. Rather than condense the histories and not use some of the photographs, the material has been divided into two books. So a third book, Cross Plains Remembered Volume 3 will be available in late August.

Family histories and photos, school photos, photos of Burkett, Pioneer and surrounding areas, Veterans photos and lots of others are in the Cross Plains Remembered Volume 2.

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Submitted by Teri Brown

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## SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

### SENIOR OLYMPICS

Monday, 13th - Exercise 10:45 a.m./ Bingo  
Tuesday, 14th - Exercise 11 a.m.  
Wednesday, 15th - Exercise 11 a.m./ Birthday Party/Girling Foot Care  
Thursday, 16th - Exercise 11:00 a.m./Zumba 5:15  
Friday, 17th - Exercise 11 a.m.

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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.

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

AUGUST 13 - AUGUST 17

MONDAY-Polish Sausage/ Baked Beans/Coleslaw/Bread/ Fruit/Tea  
TUESDAY- Cheeseburger/Let/ Tom/Pickle/Chips/Fruit/Drink  
WEDNESDAY -Fried Fish/ Pinto Beans/Potato Salad/ Hushpuppies/Birthday Cake/ Drink  
THURSDAY-BBQ Sausage/ Pinto Beans/Potato Salad/Bread/ Dessert/Drink  
FRIDAY- Turkey Sandwich/ Let/Tom/Pasta Salad/Fruit/ Cookie/Drink  
MEAL IS SERVED - 11:45 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

## Cottonwood News

Beverly Brown

Family and friends of Norma Strahan met at the Cottonwood Baptist Church last Sunday, August 5, to celebrate her life. Norma was the pianist at the Cottonwood Baptist Church for the past 40 plus years. She also played for VBS, church programs, 4th of July Celebrations, weddings and other community events. She played beautifully and it was a joy to listen to her. Many of us had always told Norma we wanted her to play at our funerals.

After the services, family and friends gathered in the Family Center for a fellowship meal, a request that Norma had made for her services. She wanted to be sure that everyone had a good meal. The family prepared a slide show of photographs of Norma, Harold, Kim and the girls set to her favorite music. It's sad to have the loss of such a dear friend, someone who was loved throughout the community. We'll all miss you, Norma. On Sunday, August 12, there will be an Ice Cream Social at the Cottonwood Baptist Church honoring Faye Gillam on her return to Cottonwood. Bring your favorite ice cream or cake and come and join the fun. It starts at 5 p.m. in the Family Center. Dianne and Paul Miller of Garden Grove, California were here visiting with her sister Sue and Tom Bennett and their family.

Prayers are still needed for Alyssa Wheeler, her parents Carie and Robbie Wheeler and their family, during the recovery from an automobile accident. A love fund is set up at Texas Heritage Bank for the family. Remember that the burn ban is on. No burning or welding. If you see smoke, call the Sheriff's office or Fire Chief Joe.



## Whistle Stop Cafe

228 Market Street - Baird

2 Cunch Specials Daily Hearty & Light Special

### New Cafe Hours

Breakfast: Fri. & Sat. Only 7:00-11:00 am  
Lunch: Tues. - Sat. 11:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Dinner: Friday Night Only 5:00 - 8:00 pm  
Closed: Sat. night-Sun.-Mon.

### Friday Night Specials

Catfish plate (1 large fish fillet), coleslaw, baked potato or french fries, hushpuppies, pinto beans \$7.25

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## Cross Plains Flag and Pee-Wee Football Tryouts

The Cross Plains Sports League will be holding registration and tryouts for the upcoming season for Pee-Wee and Flag Football on Saturday, August 11th at 10:00 a.m. at the high school football practice field.

Late registration will be accepted. For more information, contact Gary Moses at 325-370-6678 or Scott Byrd at

325-669-4917.

There will be no tryouts for cheerleading. The registration forms for cheerleading will be available August 13th - 31st. The forms can be picked up from the Resource Care Clinic, Susan Schaefer's office and the Elementary Office. For more information, contact Carrie Hutton at 725-4296.

## Texas Sales Tax Holiday weekend is approaching

AUSTIN—Texas Comptroller Susan Combs reminds shoppers they can save money on everything from pens, jeans and shoes to backpacks and other items priced under \$100 during the state's annual sales tax holiday.

This year, the sales tax holiday is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 17th-19th.

"Shoppers across Texas can take advantage of the three-day sales tax holiday and save extra money for their budgets," Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said. "Families gearing up for the new

school year would not pay any sales tax for many back-to-school items from clothing and footwear to school supplies during that weekend."

Lists of apparel and school supplies that may be purchased tax free can be found on the Comptroller's website at: [www.TexasTaxHoliday.org](http://www.TexasTaxHoliday.org).

This year, shoppers will save an estimated \$64.8 million in state and local sales taxes during the Sales Tax Holiday.

The tax holiday weekend has been an annual event since 1999.

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on August 9, 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 Bills/Finance Report
  - C. Consider Adjusting Property Insurance as Recommended by Independent Appraiser
  - D. Consider TASB Recommendation in Changes to FNF (LOCAL)
  - E. Propose a Tax Rate for Both Maintenance and

Operations and Interest and Sinking for the 2012-13 School Year to be published in the Cross Plains Review on Wed. August 15, 2012.

- F. Consider a Date to Adopt the 2012-13 Budget and Set Both the Maintenance and Operations and the Interest and Sinking Tax Rates - Thursday, Aug. 30, 2012 at 8 p.m.?

3. Superintendent's Report
    - A. Football Scrimmage on Saturday, Aug. 18 vs DeLeon (Meet the Buffaloes to Follow)
    - B. Review 2012-13 Budget
  4. Adjourn.
- This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on August 6, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. by Phil Mitchell for the Board of Trustees.

## SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

August 2, 2012

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a called meeting with the following members present: Jack Shepard, Tommy Ames, Michael Cowan, Bryan Bennett.

The following administrators were also in attendance: Superintendent, H.S. Principal and Elementary Principal.

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Shepard that we accept the update FNF local drug policy. For 4 Against 0

Motion was made by Ames and seconded by Bennett that we hire Elvan Goode as an Ag Teacher with a 12 month contract 2012-2013 (probationary). For 4 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Shepard to hire Herminia Rodriguez as a half-time (probationary) teacher for the 2012-2013 year. For 4 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Cowan that we adjourn. For 4 Against 0

## 4-H holding annual 5-Stand Shoot on September 8th

Callahan County 4-H Shotgun Sports will be holding the 9th annual 5-Stand Shoot on Saturday, September 8, 2012 at the Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports Range between Clyde and Baird. Shooting hours will be between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

A team of 5 can shoot 50 targets each at the Whiz Bang field for \$125. Call to reserve a time to shoot.

There will also be another 5-Stand field set up for 25 targets. Cost will be \$10 per 25 targets.

## Callahan County 4-H Sheep & Goat Tag Orders Due

Callahan County 4-H Sheep & Goat Tag orders are due to the Extension office by August 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you plan on showing Market lambs or Market Meat goats at the local, county, or Major shows you must call in your tag order no later than August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Major show tags are \$8.00/tag and County only tags are \$4.00/tag. All tags must be paid for before they can be ordered!

The Trap field will be open for \$6 per round (25 targets).

So if you're not finding the amount of birds you would like to, or you would like to hone your bird hunting skills before you go out that afternoon, bring your shotgun, shells, vest, eye and ear protection and come out to shoot some clays.

Concession stand will be open. For more information or to reserve a time for a team to shoot 5-Stand, call Kevin Meier at (325) 665-7810.

Swine tag orders are also being taken at this time. The deadline isn't set yet for Swine tags but start planning now! Please order the tags that you need because late tag orders will cost you \$20 a piece! Contact The Callahan County Extension Office to place your tag orders (325) 854-5835.

## Cross Plains Secondary School Parent Meeting Schedule Announced

Cross Plains Secondary School has parent meetings scheduled for August 13, 14 and 16. These meetings will be a time to review your student's schedule, learn about any policy changes, and

generally get answers to any questions you or your student may have about the 2012-2013 school year:

The meetings are scheduled as follows:

**Monday, August 13**

7th Grade - 6:00 p.m.

8th Grade - 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, August 14**

9th Grade - 6:00 p.m.

10th Grade - 7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, August 16**

11th Grade - 6:00 p.m.

12th Grade - 7:00 p.m.

*All parents and students are encouraged to attend these meetings. Thank you in advance for your continuing support of Cross Plains Schools.*

## Texas Education Agency Division of Career and Technical Education

Cross Plains ISD offers career and technical education programs in Agriculture Science, Family Career Education and Computer Technology. Admission to these programs is based on interest and age appropriateness.

It is the policy of Cross Plains ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex and handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Cross Plains ISD will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap or age in its employment practices as required

by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

The District will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Margie Sowell, at 700 N. Main Street, Cross Plains, TX 76443. The telephone number is 254-725-6121. The Section 504 Coordinator is Phil Mitchell at 700 N. Main Street in Cross Plains, TX 76443. The telephone number is 254-725-6121.

## Callahan County Immunization Clinics Announced

The Texas Department of State Health Services will be holding Immunization Clinics in Callahan County. Flu vaccine will be available. For your convenience, please call for appointment, if no answer please leave a message.

**Monday, August 20th**  
Cross Plains Housing Authority  
233 North Main  
10 a.m. - 12 noon

**Wednesday, August 8th**  
Clyde First Baptist Church  
216 Austin  
10 a.m. - 12 noon

**and 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**  
Please bring your child's immunization records. If your child has Medicaid or CHIP, please bring their card. For more information, call 325-754-4945.

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## West Texas Fair is just around the corner

The West Texas Fair is just around the corner. Now is the time to start getting those 4-H projects ready to enter. There are a lot of different divisions you can enter. They include: Animals, Clothing and Textiles, Photography, Food and Nutrition, Crafts and many more. You can find the entry information and rules on the Taylor County Expo Center Website,

[www.taylorcountyexpo.com](http://www.taylorcountyexpo.com).

If you plan to enter a 4-H project in the West Texas Fair, please come by or call the Extension Office so that we will know who plans to participate.

All livestock entries are due in the Extension Office by August 14<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions please contact the Extension Office. (325) 854-5835.



Martha Foster

## Cross Plains High School Homecoming 2012

### Class Meetings Announced

Class of 1947 and 1953 - Family Life Center at

at First Baptist Church

Open all Day for other classes to drop in for a visit.

Neil and Jo Veda (Fleming) Bush

Classes of th 1950's and 1960's - Welcome at the Cross Plains Community Center all day. If you have no place to meet come join the fun.

Bob Golson and Sandra (Illingworth) Jones

Classes of 1963, 1964 and 1967 - Home of Cliff and Connie Kirkham  
20235 FM 2707

Class of 1970 - Treadway Park Under Shade Trees  
Leslie and Charlou Cowan

Class of 1971 - Home of Rusty and Debbie Reed  
(East of the football field)

Class of 1972 - Home of Charles and Kathy Chesshir - 1300 North Main

Class of 1982 - Pool and Surf Shop  
Main Street  
Janet (Reynolds) Flippin

Class of 1991 - High School Room #108  
Roger and Michelle Rudloff

Class of 1999 - Home of Denise and Tim Coulter  
12631 FM 880 East, Cross Plains  
Jessica Taff

Class of 2000 - First Baptist Church Playground  
Jodi (Payne) Goode

Please contact Charlou (Richardson) Cowan with your class meeting places at [clcowan@windstream.net](mailto:clcowan@windstream.net) as she is preparing posters to hang in town.

If you would like to announce your class meeting, please call the Cross Plains Review at 254-725-6111 or e-mail [crossplainsreview@earthlink.net](mailto:crossplainsreview@earthlink.net)

Please Send the Cross Plains Review Your Old School Photos

Help Promote Cross Plains High School Homecoming September 14-15, 2012

[crossplainsreview@earthlink.net](mailto:crossplainsreview@earthlink.net)  
(send in jpeg)





From left to right, Sandra Cawell, Deloris Byrd, Mamie Foster, Carolyn Tatum, and Jo Holland.



Mrs. Debusk 6th Grade Class — Graduates of 1952

## Send or Receive Faxes (254) 725-7225 At The Cross Plains Review

### 2012 Property Tax Rates in CALLAHAN COUNTY

This notice concerns 2012 property tax rates for CALLAHAN COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund
<b>Last year's tax rate:</b>		
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,459,082	\$584,936
Last year's debt taxes	\$0	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,459,082	\$584,936
Last year's tax base	\$436,589,467	\$451,862,495
Last year's total tax rate	0.33420/\$100	0.12945/\$100
<b>This year's effective tax rate:</b>		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,445,748	\$579,961
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$450,449,438	\$464,813,319
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.32095/\$100	0.12477/\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.44572/\$100	
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)		
<b>This year's rollback tax rate:</b>		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$1,445,748	\$579,961
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$450,449,438	\$464,813,319
= This year's effective operating rate	0.32095/\$100	0.12477/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.34662/\$100	0.13475/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.00000/\$100	0.00000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.34662/\$100	0.13475/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.48137/\$100	

#### Statement of Increase/Decrease

If CALLAHAN COUNTY adopts a 2012 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.44572 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2011 taxes by \$19,922.

#### Schedule A: General Fund Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
<b>Schedule B: General Fund 2012 Debt Service</b>	
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).	
Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes
Enter Text Here \$0	\$0
Total required for 2012 Debt Service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2012	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2012	\$0
= Total Debt Levy	\$0
<b>Schedule A: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund Unencumbered Fund Balances</b>	
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.	
Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
<b>Schedule B: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund - 2012 Debt Service</b>	
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).	
Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes
Enter Text Here \$0	\$0
Total required for 2012 Debt Service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2012	\$0
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Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes
Enter Text Here \$0	\$0
Total required for 2012 Debt Service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2012	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2012	\$0
= Total Debt Levy	\$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 132 West 4th St., Baird, Texas 79504.

Name of person preparing this notice: **Bun Barry, CTA, RPA, RTA**

Title: Assistant to the Chief Appraiser  
132 West 4th Street  
Baird, Texas 79504

Date prepared: July 26, 2012

## ATTENTION Ex-Band Students Who Went on the Indi 500 Trip

A float honoring the Cross Plains High School ex-band students who traveled to the Indianapolis 500 Races back in 1964 is being prepared by Karen (Calhoun) Jordan and Dr. Mickey (Freeman) Bush for the 2012 Homecoming Parade.

If you went on the trip and would like to ride on the float, please contact **Karen Jordan at 254-386-4769**. According to how many participate, they might need to bring a larger trailer and they want to be prepared. **Don't forget to call and let them know, as this is a great idea!**

The high school band consisted of 6th graders through 12th graders at that time. The Class of 1967 students were the youngest

members at the time of the trip. This was a "trip of a lifetime." Many of us had never been out of the state of Texas and seeing all the states in between was quite an experience.

I recall staying in dormitories in Indianapolis where other bands from various states were also being housed. They were fascinated by our "southern draws" and they would ask us to talk. "Just say anything, they would say!"

We even played baseball against other bands and had a great time. One evening we attended a concert featuring clarinet player Pete Fountain.

The parade downtown was very

lengthy and it was hot in those new wool band suits that we had worked so hard to purchase, but we sure looked sharp!!!! Remember selling all those light bulbs plus everything else???? Everyone worked diligently to get the funds together to make this amazing trip.

See you at Homecoming and I'm looking forward to talking about old times. The band was a source of pride for our community and taught many of us responsibility and dedication to a group effort. It was some of the best days of my life and the memories will be treasured forever.

Vanda Anderson-Draper  
Editor

## THE BIG READ—Edgar Allan Poe T-Shirt Design Contest Begins

In preparation for **THE BIG READ** in October, the Cross Plains Public Library is holding a T-shirt design contest. Winning artwork will be reproduced in a single color on white T-shirts to be given away during **THE BIG READ**.

Designs should feature Edgar Allan Poe or one of his tales. Drawings must be no larger than

10 inch X 10 inch and preferably black and white, although color drawings will be accepted.

**Deadline for entries is Thursday, August 30th.** Any age can enter. **THE BIG READ** logo, the name of the library, and the winner's name will be added to the design before printing.

Submitted by  
Michelle Kaiser

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August 9, 2012

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#### Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$ 66,690
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 66,690
Last year's tax base	\$ 18,079,050
Last year's total tax rate (per \$100)	\$ 0.36880/\$100

#### This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 65,255
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 18,990,150
= This year's effective tax rate (per \$100) (Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	\$ 0.343625/\$100

#### This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function, taxes increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 65,255
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 18,990,150
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ 0.343625/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 0.371115/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.000000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$ 0.371115/\$100

#### Statement of Increase/Decrease

If CITY OF CROSS PLAINS adopts a 2012 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.343625 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2011 taxes by -\$350.

#### Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
<b>Schedule B: 2012 Debt Service</b>	
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).	
Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes
Enter Text Here \$0	\$0
Total required for 2012 debt service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2012	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2012	\$0
= Total debt levy	\$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the central appraisal district offices, 132 West 4th St., Baird, Tx. 79504

Name of person preparing this notice: **Bun Barry, CTA, RPA, RTA**

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200 Ave C	- 3BR-2B Victorian style home, recently updated kitchen, detached garage.	99,000
216 NW 3rd	- 3BR-1B completely remodeled in 2006, open floor plan,	62,000
260 Edgewood	- 3BR-2B adorable home with good size rooms and covered front porch.	67,500
500 N Ave D	- Classical home w/2,250 sq. ft, 3BR-1B, 2 living areas, & much more!	65,000
524 SE 1st	- Rental Income! Cute home with new roof. 3BR-1B, central heat/air. <b>REDUCED</b>	31,900
624 SW 5th	- 2BR-1.5B home w/1,264 sq. ft, carport & attached garage, hwy. frontage	40,000
633 NE 3rd	- Great starter home or rental income! 3BR-1B, central h/a. New roof! <b>REDUCED</b>	39,000
640 Ave F	- 3BR-1B 1,144 sq. ft. home w/chain link fencing & 1.23 acres in town!	43,000
731 N. Ave E	- 3BR-2B newly constructed home on corner lot, ceramic tile in kitchen & baths.	67,500
366 Bayou St.	- Burkett - 3BR-2B home w/garage, 2 carports, extra storage	40,000
2181 Live Oak Dr.	- Lake B'wood - 4BR-2B Singlewide w/carport, public boat dock, pool & more	64,000
5531 CR 594	- Lake B'wood - 4BR-3.5B Custom-built brick home on the lake w/dock, too many extras to list!	797,000
131 Smith St.	- Rising Star - Commercial property w/1650 sq. ft., brick, parking	20,000
211 Lakeview Dr	- Lake Coleman - 2BR-2B Mobile on the lake, covered patio, carport	62,000
603 Mississippi St.	- Coleman, 3BR- <b>SOLD</b> ne on corner lot w/1451 sq. ft., 2 car-garage <b>REDUCED</b>	53,500

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11 Ac.	- Merkel, 4BR-2B, 2 story log home w/3,025 sq. ft, barn w/stalls, & add'l pens & tack	247,000
16.33 Ac.	- Adorable 1BR-1B <b>UNDER CONTRACT</b> creek, perfect place to build	72,000
17.95 Ac	- Rising Star - 4BR-2B Brick home w/30x40 Work shop, Hay barn, livestock pens, coastal	298,000
19+/- Ac	- 3BR-2B 2,000+ sq. ft. home w/2 car garage & carport, 2 tanks, add'l acreage available	329,000
19.26 Ac.	- 2BR-2B log cabin, large lighted outdoor arena, solid round pen, stalls <b>REDUCED</b>	169,900
20.21 Ac.	- 2BR-1B Rustic home with small acreage, 1 stock tank. Property is fenced.	92,500
40 Ac.	- 2BR-1.5B brick home, 2 wells, 30x30 metal garage, 20x40 barn, 10x40 insulated trailer.	199,500
40 Ac.	- 2BR-1.5B brick home, 2 wells, 30x40 metal garage, small orchard <b>REDUCED</b>	199,900
65.25 Ac.	- 1BR-1B 704 sq. ft. cabin w/wrap-around porch, stock tank, great views, gravel driveway	198,848
79.47 Ac.	- 3BR-2B brick home, 30x40 metal bldg w/concrete slab, great hunting	357,000
80+/- Ac.	- 3BR-2B brick home w/2,300 sq. ft., 1 tank, great tree cover, set up for hunting <b>REDUCED</b>	315,000
150+/- Ac.	- Beautiful Austin Stone home w/3,273 sq. ft., 2 stock tanks, & lots & lots of extras!	825,000
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14+/- Ac.	- Thick, wooded property, 1 tank, great small acreage for home site or weekend getaway	36,000
15+/- Ac.	- Mix of fertile farmland, pasture, & trees, city water available, <b>REDUCED</b>	34,500
22+/- Ac	- Endless possibilities! Hwy 36 & FM 374 frontage, pasture, trees, tank.	82,500
30+/- Ac.	- Approx half cultivation & half native pasture, live oaks, beautiful views & build sites	66,000
66+/- Ac.	- 2 ponds, mix of trees & native pasture, seasonal creek/draw, good hunting or place to build	144,870
100 Ac.	- Approx 80% cultivation, beautiful oaks. 2 water wells, old windmill, easy access to I-20	210,000
100.07 Ac.	- Mix of pasture & cultivation, 2 stock tanks, 3 cross-fences, great location!	195,136
125+/- Ac.	- 2 stock tanks, rural water available, cross fencing, one set of cattle pens!	256,250
133+/- Ac.	- 2 barns, 1 insulated w/ditchenette, creek, great views, good fencing, excellent hunting.	397,909
148 Ac.	- Slightly rolling terrain! <b>UNDER CONTRACT</b> 1 small tank, wet weather creek	288,620
162.25 Ac.	- Fertile farmland, one stock tank, sloping terrain, county road frontage, more acres available.	283,938
179 Ac.	- 4 stock tanks, 2 water v <b>UNDER CONTRACT</b> s-fencing, great for cattle!	367,000
198 Ac.	- Putnam - magnificent views, 2 ponds, great coverage for hunting, convenient access	308,000
231+/- Ac.	- Hunter's paradise! 2 stock tanks, thick oak vegetation, 3/4 mile of Pecan Bayou	700,000
252+/- Ac.	- Great for hunting! 2 stock tanks, mix of trees & pasture, food plots, hunting cabin <b>REDUCED</b>	504,000
331.25 Ac.	- 3 stock tanks, native grasses, great for livestock, crops, or recreation	627,719
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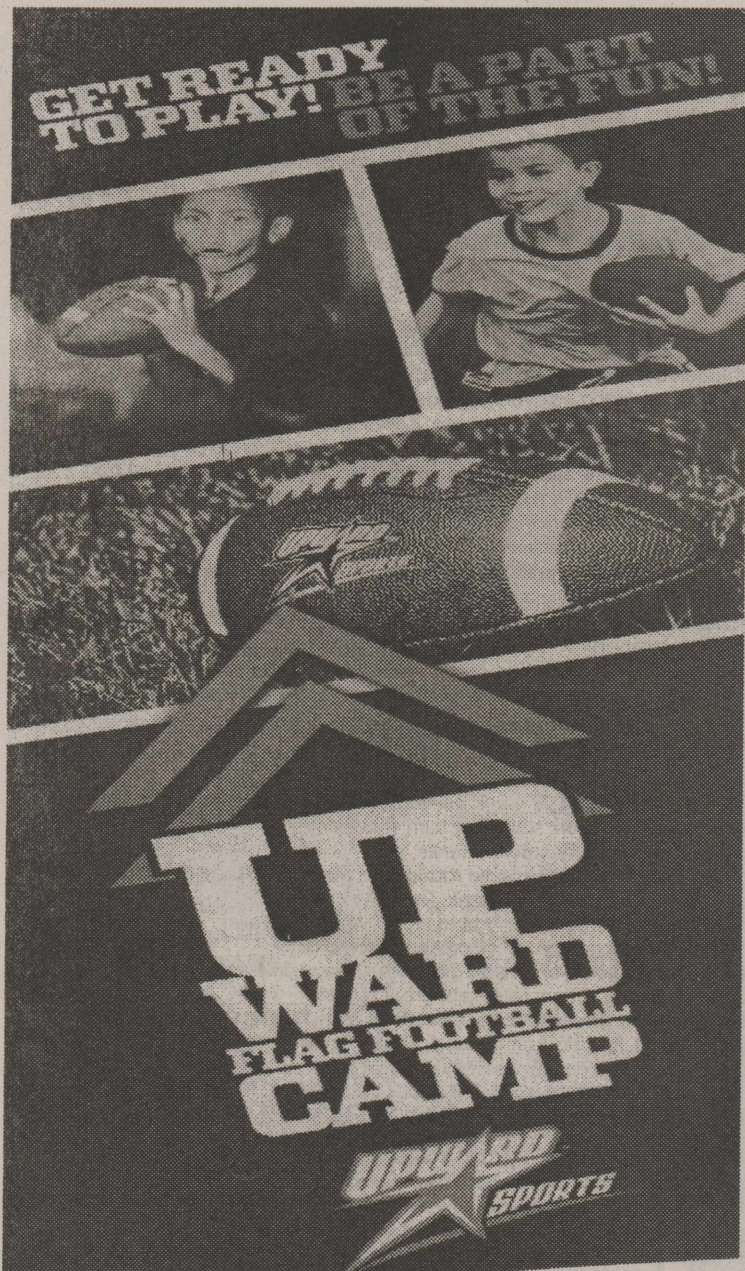
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Flag Football Camp will take place at Cross Plains ISD football practice fields. Camp is for 5 year

old through 6th grade boys/girls and will be held in the evenings on August 20, 21, 23 and 24 (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.)

Special celebration on Friday evening - All families are invited. Evening camp sessions will run from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

For more information, contact David Braun at 254-725-6266.

## Commissioners set two public hearings on budget, tax rate

Callahan County will hold two public hearings to obtain citizen input on the 2012-2013 tax rate for Thursday, August 16th and Monday, August 20th at the County Commissioners' Courtroom at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Both public hearings will take place at 9:30 a.m.

Callahan County Commissioners' held a meeting Monday, August 6th at the County Courthouse in Baird to set the proposed tax rate and proposed budget for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

Before approving the proposed tax rate and budget, county commissioners held a budget workshop beginning at 9:03 a.m. Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court budget workshop to order at 9:03 a.m. with Precinct #1 Commissioner Harold Hicks, Precinct #2 Commissioner Bryan Farmer, Precinct #3 Commissioner Tom Windham, and Precinct #4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham present. Also present at the meeting was County Treasurer Dianne Gunter.

After discussing the 2012-2013 budget for Callahan County, Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the budget workshop at 10:20 a.m. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

The commissioners' court reconvened in a regular meeting

at 10:33 a.m. with Judge Corn and all four county commissioners present. Also present at the meeting were County Treasurer Dianne Gunter and Chief Deputy County Clerk Laurie Tollett.

The proposed tax rate for the 2012-2013 General Fund was established at \$0.33878 per \$100 of property value. The proposed tax rate for the 2012-2013 Road & Bridge Fund was set at \$0.14259 per \$100 of property value.

The motion was put to a record vote. Commissioner Hicks, Commissioner Farmer, Commissioner Windham, Commissioner Kirkham and Judge Corn all voted "yes" for the proposed tax rate.

The commissioners' court also set the proposed budget for the 2012-2013 General Fund at \$3,482,088.92. The proposed budget for the 2012-2013 Road & Bridge Fund was established at \$1,477,690.21.

The motion was put to a record vote. Commissioner Hicks, Commissioner Farmer, Commissioner Windham, Commissioner Kirkham and Judge Corn all voted "yes" for the proposed budget.

The commissioners' court was then adjourned at 10:52 a.m. on a motion by Commissioner Farmer, with a second by Commissioner Hicks and motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

## Rising Star Nursing Center

Dona McIntyre

Well, hello to everyone. We are having a great time here and just wanted to brag about it for a minute or two. We attended the Senior Mini-Olympics in Coleman last Friday and had a blast. The residents who went were Martha Kay Justice, Sallie Tepfer, Louise Bond, Ramona Dudas, B.J. Patterson, Antonya Boren, Margaret Blanton and Barbara Rodriguez.

We also had B.J.'s granddaughter Destiny Patterson, Tara Ratliff, Darla Moore and Belinda May as CNA's to help me out. It was a BLAST!!!! The overall trophy for the best Nursing Home was brought to Rising Star Nursing Center. We also had a first place trophy won by Antonya Boren for the electric wheel chair race. Kay Justice brought home a second place trophy for toilet paper toss; Margaret Blanton won a second place trophy in the spelling bee and Sallie Tepfer won a second place trophy for the wheel chair race. Barbara Rodriguez won first place in golf.

We had a really great time and it was a FULL day—leaving Rising Star at 7:30 a.m. and getting home at 5:45 p.m. We were all so proud to have won the Over-All High Points for a Nursing Home. They still have grins on their faces and it is Monday.

They are ALL talking about going next year. I imagine we will probably have to take two to three buses next time. We competed in the Family Feud game but lost at the last minute. Again thanks for letting us brag and as you can see by the photos, a good time was had by all, including the "ELVIS" show they put on, right Ramona Dudas????

See you later and may God bless each of you.



From left to right, Martha Kay Justice, Barbara Rodriguez, Margaret Blanton, Antonya Boren, Sallie Tepfer. All holding their trophies.



Ramona Dudas with "Elvis".



Antonia Boren winning Electric Wheelchair Race.

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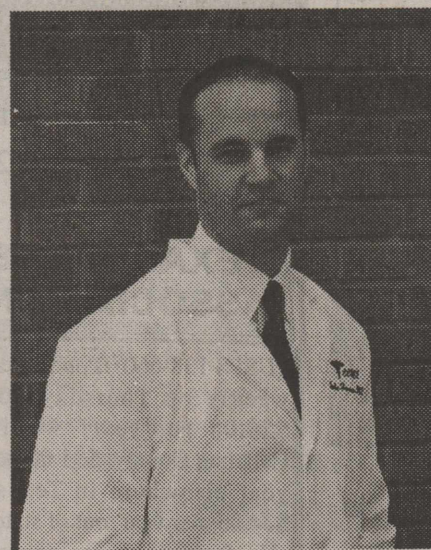
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Office	Actual FY 2011	Proposed Salary FY 2012	Amount of Increase
County Judge	\$41,878.24	\$43,134.59	\$1,256.35
County Clerk	\$34,919.76	\$35,967.15	\$1,047.39
District Clerk	\$34,919.76	\$35,967.15	\$1,047.39
County Treasurer	\$34,919.76	\$35,967.15	\$1,047.39
Justice of Peace #1	\$29,577.12	\$30,464.39	\$887.27
Justice of Peace #3	\$29,577.12	\$30,464.39	\$887.27
Justice of Peace #4	\$29,577.12	\$30,464.39	\$887.27
Tax Assessor/Collector	\$34,919.76	\$35,967.15	\$1,047.39
County Sheriff	\$35,007.19	\$36,057.40	\$1,050.21
Commissioner Prec. #1	\$35,413.78	\$36,476.24	\$1,062.46
Commissioner Prec. #2	\$35,413.78	\$36,476.24	\$1,062.46
Commissioner Prec. #3	\$35,413.78	\$36,476.24	\$1,062.46
Commissioner Prec. #4	\$35,413.78	\$36,476.24	\$1,062.46



## Nearly 1 in 5 People Have a Disability in the U.S., Census Bureau Reports

About 56.7 million people—19 percent of the population—had a disability in 2010, according to a broad definition of disability, with more than half of them reporting the disability was severe, according to a comprehensive report on this population released today by the U.S. Census Bureau.

The report, Americans with Disabilities: 2010, presents estimates of disability status and type and is the first such report with analysis since the Census Bureau published statistics in a similar report about the 2005 population of people with disabilities. According to the report, the total number of people with a disability increased by 2.2 million over the period, but the percentage remained statistically unchanged. Both the number and percentage with a severe disability rose, however. Likewise, the number and percentage needing assistance also both increased.

"This week, we observe the 22nd anniversary of the Americans With Disabilities Act, a milestone law that guarantees equal opportunity for people with disabilities," said Census Bureau demographer Matthew Brault. "On this important anniversary, this report presents a barometer of the well-being of this population in areas such as employment, income and poverty status."

The statistics come from the Survey of Income and Program Participation, which contains supplemental questions on whether respondents had difficulty performing a specific set of functional and participatory activities. For many activities, if a respondent reported difficulty, a follow-up question was asked to determine the severity of the limitation, hence, the distinction between a "severe" and "nonsevere" disability. The data were collected from May through

August 2010. Disability statistics from this survey are used by agencies, such as the Social Security Administration, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, and the Administration on Aging to assist with program planning and management.

The report shows that 41 percent of those age 21 to 64 with any disability were employed, compared with 79 percent of those with no disability. Along with the lower likelihood of having a job came the higher likelihood of experiencing persistent poverty; that is, continuous poverty over a 24-month period. Among people age 15 to 64 with severe disabilities, 10.8 percent experienced persistent poverty; the same was true for 4.9 percent of those with a nonsevere disability and 3.8 percent of those with no disability.

Other highlights:

— People in the oldest age group % 80 and older % were about eight times more likely to have a disability as those in the youngest group % younger than 15 (71 percent compared with 8 percent). The probability of having a severe disability is only one in 20 for those 15 to while it is one in four for those 65 to 69.

— About 8.1 million people had difficulty seeing, including 2.0 million who were blind or unable to see.

— About 7.6 million people experienced difficulty hearing, including 1.1 million whose difficulty was severe. About 5.6 million used a hearing aid.

— Roughly 30.6 million had difficulty walking or climbing stairs, or used a wheelchair, cane, crutches or walker.

— About 19.9 million people had difficulty lifting and grasping. This includes, for instance, trouble lifting an object like a bag of groceries, or grasping a glass or a pencil.

— Difficulty with at least one

activity of daily living was cited by 9.4 million noninstitutionalized adults.

These activities included getting around inside the home, bathing, dressing and eating. Of these people, 5 million needed the assistance of others to perform such an activity.

— About 15.5 million adults had difficulties with one or more instrumental activities of daily living. These activities included doing housework, using the phone and preparing meals. Of these, nearly 12 million required assistance.

— Approximately 2.4 million had Alzheimer's disease, senility or dementia.

— Being frequently depressed or anxious such that it interfered with ordinary activities was reported by 7.0 million adults.

— Adults age 21 to 64 with disabilities had median monthly earnings of \$1,961 compared with \$2,724 for those with no disability.

— Overall, the uninsured rates for adults 15 to 64 were not statistically different by disability status: 21.0 percent for people with severe disabilities, 21.3 percent for those with nonsevere disabilities and 21.9 percent for those with no disability.

In addition to the statistics from this report, the Census Bureau also produces annual disability estimates from the American Community Survey (ACS). While the ACS uses a different definition of disability than in this report, it is capable of producing estimates of the population with disabilities at subnational geographies like states, counties, places and metropolitan areas. The Census Bureau has been collecting data about certain disabilities since 1830, when Congress added questions to the census on difficulty hearing, seeing and speaking.

## DPS Launches Online Version of Texas Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

AUSTIN — At the urging of the 82nd Texas Legislature, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) has developed a secure online prescription monitoring program, called Prescription Access in Texas (PAT), which provides controlled substance prescription dispensing history to authorized health care and law enforcement professionals. DPS officially launched PAT in June 2012, at which time the database became available to a select group of practitioners, pharmacists and law enforcement professionals. This week, DPS has extended program access to additional physicians and law enforcement, mid-level practitioners, medical board and nursing board investigators.

"Prescription drug abuse is a serious problem, and the new online prescription drug monitoring program will help the state of Texas combat this issue," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "It is essential that doctors and pharmacists have quick access to the information they need to identify potential prescription drug abusers and traffickers before they fraudulently receive the drugs. Law enforcement access to this information is also crucial to investigating those individuals or organizations engaged in the trafficking of prescription drugs. This new tool will allow a proactive approach to prevention, assist with criminal investigations, provide historical reporting and identify trends."

DPS launched a pilot version of the PAT in August 2011, which has since proven successful. Each registered user must provide licensing information to ensure data is released only to authorized users. As required by statute, the PAT database includes Schedule II – Schedule V drugs for the last 12 months only, and pharmacists must report prescription data within seven days of the prescription being filled.

"I have supported the enhancement of the prescription drug

monitoring program, including legislation I passed that changed Texas law to significantly expand the types of prescription drugs being monitored by DPS today," said State Senator Tommy Williams. "I am proud Texas has brought this critical database online so our healthcare professionals and investigators can quickly and easily identify potential prescription drug abuse, patients who are doctor shopping, forging prescriptions and physicians who are illicitly prescribing drugs."

In 1982 the Texas Legislature created the original prescription drug monitoring program, which is now called the *Texas Prescription Program*, as an efficient, cost effective tool for investigating and preventing drug diversion. Since then authorized users have had access to this information through a manual paper process.

PAT, the new online version of the database, represents a substantial upgrade by allowing instant, 24/7 access to authorized users. In addition to this week's expansion of access to PAT, additional users will continue to be phased in over the next two months. Pharmacists and pharmacy board investigators are on track to acquire access to the system in mid-August, and podiatrists, dentists, veterinarians; board investigators for each of those three professions; and out-of-state practitioners are scheduled to obtain access near the end of August.

Texas law restricts access to prescription data to practitioners and pharmacists who are inquiring about their patients, and to various regulatory and law enforcement personnel conducting investigations. Practitioners include physicians, dentists, veterinarians, podiatrists, advanced practice nurses or physicians assistants.

For additional information about the PAT program, visit: [http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/RegulatoryServices/prescription\\_program/](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/RegulatoryServices/prescription_program/).

## Atmos Energy Joins 811 Day National Campaign

DALLAS, (Aug. 2, 2012) — With August 11 almost here, Atmos Energy hopes this date on the calendar, 8/11, will serve as a natural reminder for residents to call 811 prior to any digging project to have underground utility lines marked. This comes on the heels of a recent report which determined an underground utility line is damaged during digging projects every three minutes nationwide.

The 811 program is provided at no charge, and it can save you time and money as well as prevent threats to life and property," said Jennifer Ryan, Atmos Energy Director of Media Relations.

In order to spread the word about 811 Day this year, more than 50 pipeline companies are partnering to get the news out on Saturday, August 11th during the Olympics.

"You can expect to see 811 booths at local events and plenty of chatter on social media," said Ryan.

By calling 811, homeowners and contractors are connected to their local one-call center, which notifies the appropriate utility companies of their intent to dig. Professional locators are then sent to the digging site to mark the locations of underground utility lines with flags, spray paint or both.

Striking a single line can cause injury, repair costs, fines and inconvenient outages. Every digging project, no matter how large or small, warrants a call to 811. Installing a mailbox, building a deck, planting a tree and laying a patio are all examples of digging projects that need a call to 811 before starting.

**About Atmos Energy**  
Atmos Energy Corporation, headquartered in Dallas, is one of the country's largest natural-gas-only distributors, serving about three million natural gas distribution customers in over 1,400 communities in nine states from the Blue Ridge Mountains in the East to the Rocky Mountains in the West. Atmos Energy also provides natural gas marketing and procurement services to industrial, commercial and municipal customers primarily in the Midwest and Southeast and manages company-owned natural gas pipeline and storage

## Receive 10 Free White Flowering Dogwood Trees By Joining the Arbor Day Foundation in August

Nebraska City, Neb. — Add color to your landscape year-round by joining the Arbor Day Foundation in August.

Everyone who joins the non-profit Arbor Day Foundation with a \$10 donation will receive 10 free white flowering dogwood trees through the Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The trees will be shipped post-paid at the right time for planting in each member's area, which falls between October 15th and December 10th. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Planting instructions are enclosed with each shipment of trees.

"Dogwood trees will add color and beauty to your yard throughout the year, with their showy spring flowers, scarlet autumn foliage and red berries that attract songbirds in the winter," said John Rosenow, founder and chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation.

New members of the Arbor Day Foundation also receive The Tree Book, which includes information about tree planting and care, and Arbor Day, the Foundation's bimonthly publication.

To receive the free white flowering dogwood trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Dogwoods, Arbor Day



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Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., August 31, 2012, or join online Nebraska City, NE 68410, by [arborday.org/august](http://arborday.org/august).

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## Don't wait to vaccinate!

Abilene Care Van, Medical Care Mission of Abilene and Texas Medical Association offer students the opportunity to get vaccinated FREE before the beginning of the school term.

August is National Immunization Awareness Month and kids need their shots before heading back to school. The Abilene Care Van, collaborating with the Medical Care Mission of Abilene and Texas Medical Association will be offering vaccinations FREE to VFC eligible students at the Medical Care Mission, 1857 Pine, Abilene, TX 79601 on Thursday, August 2nd and Thursday, August 23rd from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

As of January 1, 2012 Texas law requires meningococcal vaccination for college admission. Students who have not turned 19 and who are VFC eligible

may receive the meningococcal vaccination as well as other highly recommended vaccinations at these clinics.

To receive these free vaccinations a student must be Texas Vaccine for Children eligible. Your child is eligible if he/she:

- Has no insurance or has insurance that does not cover vaccines.
- Families with insurance are encouraged to check with their insurance company to verify covered vaccines. Specifically HPV for boys may not be covered by insurance.
- CHIP or Medicaid
- American Indian or Alaskan Native

Parents or guardians must bring child's immunization record. Children 17 and under must be accompanied by parent or guardian.

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# HOME COMING

# 2012

<p><b>Tuesday, Sept 11</b> 6:00 p.m. <b>Community Hot Dog Supper</b> Football Field</p>	<p><b>Saturday, Sept 15</b> 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. <b>Coffee &amp; Registration</b> High School Library</p>	<p><b>Saturday, Sept 15</b> 3:30 p.m. <b>Class Meetings</b></p>
<p><b>Friday, Sept 14</b> 7:30 p.m. <b>Pep Rally</b> Football Field Honoring 2009 FFA State Champions &amp; 2011 FFA National Champions</p>	<p>11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. <b>Business Meeting</b> - Auditorium Classes Sectioned by Decades Announcement of Coming Home King &amp; Queen Nominees</p>	<p>7:30 p.m. <b>Football Game</b> Cross Plains Buffaloes vs Abilene Wind Cheer on the Buffaloes!</p>
<p>9:00 p.m. <b>Kickoff Party and Dance</b> Treadway Park Live Band</p>	<p>11:30 a.m. <b>Lunch - Cafeteria</b> Sponsored by the Band Boosters</p>	<p>9:00 pm. <b>After Game Coffee</b> Cross Plains Public Library</p>
	<p>2 p.m. <b>Parade Downtown</b> Coming Home King &amp; Queen Honored</p>	<p>9:00 p.m. <b>After Game Dance</b> Treadway Park</p>

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# Tax values in 2013 showing slow, steady growth

Tax property values in 2013 for all taxing entities, except the cities of Cross Plains and Putnam, are higher than 2012, according to Callahan County Appraisal District Chief Appraiser Don Jones.

Jones recently presented the 2012-2013 certified tax rolls to all Callahan County taxing entities, including Callahan County, cities of Clyde, Baird, Cross Plains and Putnam, and the school districts from Clyde, Baird, Cross Plains and Eula.

The chief appraiser reported tax values for Callahan County jumped almost \$20 million this year compared to last year. Jones said taxable values for 2012 were \$439,136,714, while taxable values for 2013 in the county were \$458,958,128.

Jones said the majority of the jump in property tax values in Callahan County this year can be attributed to higher mineral values, higher personal property values, and new construction.

The City of Clyde reported taxable values increased approximately \$3 million this year over last year. Jones said the City had property values last year of \$83,355,820, while property values this year were \$86,459,283. He said the majority of the increase was due to personal property value increased and new construction.

Clyde CISD reported taxable property values rose approximately \$9 million this year. Jones said taxable values for Clyde CISD were \$193,583,200 last year, while certified values this year were \$202,804,923. He said the increase this year for the school was due to a jump of \$5 million for minerals and personal property and \$4 million in new home construction and home improvements and additions.

Baird ISD saw taxable values increase over \$6 million this year compared to last year. The chief appraiser said taxable property values last year were \$104,904,540, while certified tax values in 2013 were \$110,940,720.

Jones said the Baird school district had mineral values in-

crease \$2 million this year, while personal property increased \$200,000, while new construction amounted to a \$3 million increase.

The City of Baird had its certified tax rolls increase almost \$1 million this year over last year. The chief appraiser said taxable property values last year were \$34,193,640 and the city's certified tax rolls this year was \$35,179,320. Jones said the increase was a split between personal property values and new construction increasing about \$500,000 each.

Cross Plains ISD's certified tax rolls in 2013 were up approximately \$3 million compared to last year. Cross Plains ISD had taxable values of \$56,425,650 last year and taxable values of \$59,244,350 this year. Jones said the Cross Plains school district saw new construction amount to \$2 million added to the tax rolls this year, and another \$800,000 added to the tax rolls in personal property and mineral value increases.

The chief appraiser reported certified tax rolls for the City of Cross Plains declined this year compared to last year. Jones said the City of Cross Plains had \$23,548,230 in taxable value in 2012 and taxable values of \$19,298,380 this year.

Jones said the decline in taxable values for the City of Cross Plains was due to a lot of residents 65 years and older had their property taxes frozen this year.

The City of Cross Plains has only been collecting property taxes since 2009, Jones said.

Eula ISD reported certified tax rolls this year also jumped about \$1 million from the previous year. The chief appraiser said taxable values for Eula ISD were \$103,872,910, while this year's taxable values stood at \$104,537,520. He said the increase values can be attributed to mineral increases, personal property increases and new construction within the Eula school district.

The chief appraiser said Eula ISD's tax rolls are certified by

the Callahan County Appraisal District, however Taylor County, not Callahan County, collects the school district's taxes.

The taxable values in the City of Putnam declined almost \$79,000, Jones said. He said the City of Putnam reported taxable values of \$2,179,790 last year and \$2,100,930 this year.

The chief appraiser said all the entities have received their certified tax rolls and the entities will be adopting their tax rates some time in August.

Jones reminded taxpayers the appeal process for taxable values in Callahan County has already ended. He said taxpayers can appeal their taxable values in June every year.

The chief appraiser said the Callahan County Tax Office will send out tax statements in October 2012 for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. Taxes are due by January 31, 2013 and will become delinquent on February 1, 2013.

The chief appraiser said overall, Callahan County is showing slow growth in property taxes. "At least property values are not dropping," Jones said.

He said although Callahan County's mineral values do not include a lot of oil and natural gas production, there are a large number of pipelines throughout the county and their appraised values continue to rise. Jones said the Callahan County Appraisal District hires a firm to appraise oil and natural gas pipelines in the county.

He also said the Appraisal District also hires a private firm to appraise wind farms in the county. He did say that the wind farms in Callahan County did not depreciate as much this year as in previous years.

The chief appraiser said the Callahan County Appraisal District normally reinspects individual property values every three years, except when an area is showing unusual growth or real estate property sales.

Jones is completing his second year as Chief Appraiser for the Callahan County Appraisal District. The Appraisal District has six employees.

# TWC Warns Texans about Gift Card Email Scam

AUSTIN—The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) warned today that emails claiming to offer free gift cards "on behalf of Texas Workforce Commission" are not to be trusted. Such offers are not attributable to TWC, and anyone who receives such an email should delete it immediately. Responding to the email, or clicking on the included web link, may result in harmful malware being downloaded to the recipient's computer, TWC warned.

TWC has received reports of scam emails claiming to be sent on behalf of TWC stating the recipient has won a \$1,000 gift card. The email instructed the recipient to visit a website called "rewards2012" to claim the gift card. However, if a recipient follows the link to the website, malware attempts to download to their computer.

This is a known "phishing" scam, and TWC reminds Tex-

ans never to click on links in an email from an unknown source. Phishers and scammers often will direct people to websites that look very similar to legitimate websites in order to obtain login credentials or personally identifiable information, such as social security numbers, dates of birth or mother's maiden names. Following these links may result in monetary or identity theft.

Texas residents also are reminded that TWC staff will never call or email to obtain personally identifiable information, perform home visits, or use text messages to contact them. Unemployment benefit recipients should only give personal information when filing for benefits online at [ui.texasworkforce.org](http://ui.texasworkforce.org) or when speaking to an unemployment benefit customer service representative on the Tele-Center phone filing system at 800-939-6631.

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The Texas Workforce Commission is a state agency dedicated to helping Texas employers, workers and communities prosper economically. For details on TWC and the programs it offers in coordination with its network of local workforce development boards, call 512-463-8942 or visit [www.texasworkforce.org](http://www.texasworkforce.org).

# Big Country Wheat Conference is August 23rd

ABILENE – The Big Country Wheat Conference, conducted biennially by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, will be held Thursday, August 23rd in the Big Country Hall located on the Taylor County Exposition Center grounds, 1982 Lytle Way in Abilene.

On-site registration will start at 7:30 a.m. The conference will end at 4:00 p.m.

"The Farm Bill has come to represent a 'safety net' for farmers," said Robert Pritz, AgriLife Extension agent in Taylor County. "The 2012 Farm Bill has faced a number of challenges. These challenges and how they will affect Big Country wheat producers will be a key part of this year's Big Country Wheat Conference. We've purposely placed the topic later in the day to allow plenty of time for discussion."

Along with the emphasis on the Farm Bill, Pritz said this year's conference will also include the following topics and presenters:

- World Wheat Outlook and Wheat Marketing Strategies, Dr. Kim Anderson, Oklahoma Co-

operative Extension Service economist, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Okla.

- Wheat Variety and Disease Summary, Dr. Travis Miller, AgriLife Extension agronomist, College Station.

- Forage Production and Weed Management, Dr. David Drake, AgriLife Extension agronomist, San Angelo.

- Soil Fertility Management for Wheat Production, Dr. Mark McFarland, AgriLife Extension soil fertility specialist, College Station.

- Electrical Conductivity Mapping for Nutrient Management, Cliff Kinnibrugh, U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service conservation agronomist, San Angelo.

- Insect Management Strategies in Small Grains, Dr. Allen Knutson, AgriLife Extension entomologist, Dallas.

- Cost of Production – Factors to Consider, Bill Thompson, AgriLife Extension economist, San Angelo.

- Farm Bill and Other Issues Important to Wheat Producers,

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Kody Bessent, Texas Wheat Producers Board, Amarillo.

- Short and Long-term Weather Forecasts, Steve Lyons, National Weather Service, San Angelo.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units – two general, one integrated pest management – will be available for private pesticide applicator license holders.

There is no registration fee for those who preregister by Aug. 17, but a \$20 fee will be charged thereafter.

For more information and to preregister, contact the AgriLife Extension office in Taylor County at 325-672-6048.

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# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

The CALLAHAN COUNTY will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 8.00 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26 Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on August 16, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at Callahan County Commissioner's Courtroom, 100 West 4th St., Baird, Texas 79504.

The second public hearing will be held on August 20, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at Callahan County Commissioner's Courtroom, 100 West 4th St., Baird, Texas 79504.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR the proposal:	Harold Hicks	Tom Windham
	Bryan Farmer	Cliff Kirkham
	Roger Corn	

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: None

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in CALLAHAN COUNTY last year was \$34,887. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.46365 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$161.75.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in CALLAHAN COUNTY this year is \$35,500. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.44572 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$158.23.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.48137 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$170.89.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.



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- 1 Pack of Baby Wipes Refill 80ct
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- 1 8ct Crayola Washable Watercolors
- 1 25ct Reclosable Quart Bags (Ziploc type)
- 2 9x12 Manila Paper 50ct

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- 1 5" Blunt Fiskars Scissors
- 1 8 color Crayola Washable Watercolors
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- 1 8ct Crayola Crayons
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- 1 9x12 Dray Erase White Board
- 2 4oz. Washable Glue
- 3 Purple Plastic Pocket Folders
- 1 1" Hardback Vinyl Binder
- 1 10ct Crayola Classic Thick Markers
- 1 Red Pocket & Brad Folder
- 1 8ct Crayola Washable Fine Tip Markers
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- 1 40ct Wet Ones
- 12 Pencil Cap Erasers
- 2 9x12 Manila Paper 50ct
- 1 9x12 Asst. Construction Paper 50ct

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- 2 24ct Crayola Crayons
- 1 5" Sharp Fiskars Scissors
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- 3 100ct Kleenex Tissue
- 1 8 color Crayola Washable Watercolors
- 24 Yellow Mirado Pencils
- 1 8ct Crayola Classic Wedge Tip Markers
- 1 4oz Elmer's Glue
- 1 100ct Spiral Comp. Book Wide Ruled
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- 1 pk Baby Wipes Refill 80ct
- 1 9x12 Manila Paper 50ct
- 1 12x18 Manila Paper 50ct
- 2 Red Plastic Pocket & Brad Folders
- 1 9x12 Asst. Construction Paper 50ct.
- 1 12x18 Asst. Construction Paper 50ct.



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- 2 Pink Bevel Erasers(Latex Free)
- 2 24ct Crayola Crayons
- 48 #2 Wood Pencils (Latex Free)
- 2 100ct Facial Tissue
- 1 Red Plastic Pocket Folder
- 2 Colorations .88oz Large Glue Sticks
- 1 8oz Waterless Hand Sanitizer w/Pump
- 1 9x12 Manila Paper 50ct
- 2 11 3/4x7, 7/8 Ruled Palmer Tablet 1st Gr
- 1 5" Blunt Fiskars Scissors
- 1 16ct Crayola Washable Watercolors
- 1 Purple Plastic Pocket Folder
- 1 Fluorescent Yellow Highlighter
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- 4 Bic Red Med Stick Pen

### THIRD GRADE

- 4 Bic Red Medium Stick Pens
- 1 4oz Elmers School Glue
- 1 5" Sharp Fiskars Scissors
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- 1 7" 8ct Crayola Colored Pencils
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- 1 100ct Red Spiral Comp Book Wide
- 1 Crayola Bold Thick Markers 8ct
- 1 120ct Yellow 3 Sub Comp Book
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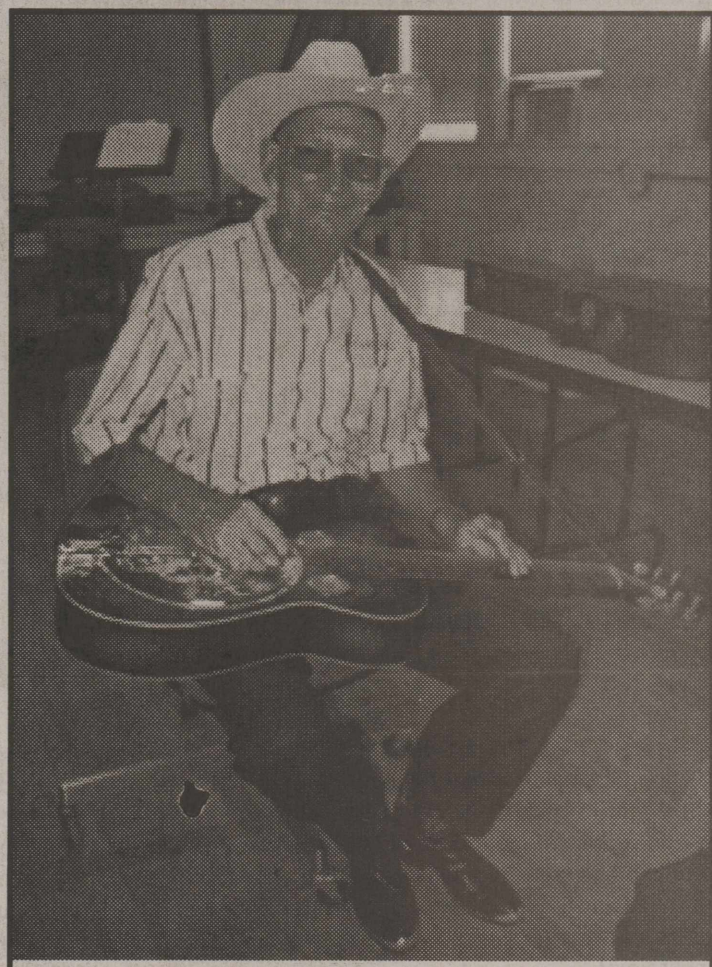
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- 1 24ct Prang Crayons
- 1 5" Blunt Fiskars Scissors
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- 12 Red Medium Stick Pens
- 1 Black Expo 2 Low Odor CHSL Dry Erase
- 2 7 5/8oz Elmer's School Glue
- 2 Pink Bevel Erasers (Latex Free)
- 1 Plastic Ruler, 1/16th Standard/Metric
- 2 Green Pocket Only Folder
- 2 100ct Green Spiral Comp Book Wide
- 1 Nylon Pencil Bag clear top, 7 1/4x10
- 1 1.5" White Heavy Polybinder
- 3 100ct Kleenex Tissue
- 48 No. 2 Wood Pencils Latex Free)
- 2 Sanford Deluxe Pencil Sharpeners w/Recept.
- 6 Orange Pocket and Brad Folders
- 2 100ct Yellow Spiral Comp Book Wide
- 2 100ct Orange Spiral Comp Book Wide
- 2 1/2x450" Invisible Tape
- 1 Red Pocket & Brad Folder
- 2 2" Expandable Wallet Folder, Letter Size
- 1 7" 12ct Presharpened Colorations Pencils
- 2 Fluorescent Yellow Highlighters

### FIFTH GRADE

- 4 200ct Wide Ruled Filler Paper
- 2 Pink Bevel Erasers (Latex Free)
- 1 5" Sharp Fiskars Scissors
- 2 4oz Coloration Washable Glue
- 1 48ct Crayola Crayons
- 1 7" 12ct. Pre-sharpened Colorations Color Pencils
- 1 Pencil Sharpener w/Receptacle
- 1 5 x 10.5 Pencil Bag
- 1 Plastic School Box Large size
- 4 Red Check Pencil w/Eraser, Pre-sharpened
- 1 1" yellow Flexible Polybinder
- 24 Papermate yellow Mirado Pencils
- 2 100ct Facial Tissue
- 1 120ct 3 Subject Spiral Comp. Book Wide
- 2 Red Pocket only Folder
- 1 Green Pocket only Folder
- 12 Pencil Cap Erasers (Latex Free)
- 4 Avery small Glue Stick .29oz.
- 1 3/4" x 650" Invisible Tape
- 1 100ct Green Spiral Comp Book Wide
- 6 7mm Mechanical Pencil (BIC ONLY)

### SIXTH GRADE

- 1 Pink Bevel Eraser (Latex Free)
- 1 24ct Crayola Crayons
- 1 5" Sharp Fiskars Scissors
- 4 200ct Wide Ruled Filler Paper
- 1 4" 12ct Crayola Colored Pencils
- 1 7 5/8 oz Elmer's School Glue
- 1 Nylon Pencil Bag, clear top 7 1/4x10
- 1 100ct Green Spiral Comp Book Wide
- 24 Papermate Yellow Mirado Pencils
- 1 1" Yellow Flexible Polybinder
- 2 Bic Medium Red Pens - Clear Barrel
- 1 Pencil Sharpener w/Receptacle
- 1 8ct Crayola Classic Thick Markers
- 1 Plastic School Box 8.25"x5.63"x2.13"
- 3 Green Pocket Only Folders
- 1 120ct 3 Sub Spiral Comp Wide
- 2 100ct Kleenex Tissue
- 1 1/2"x450" Scotch Transparent Tape
- 2 Small (6 gram) Elmer's Glue stick
- 3 Red Pocket Only Folder
- 4 7mm Mechanical Pencil (BIC ONLY)
- 1 100ct Red Spiral Comp Book Wide



Wade Leggett plays the Dobro and sings Bluegrass music.

## Cottonwood Musical Featured Great Musicians

There was a hand clapping, toe tapping good time at the Cottonwood Country Musical last Friday night at Cottonwood. People come from near and far to enjoy the music and food at the Cottonwood Country Musical.

Musicians Art Crudgington from Breckenridge, Mayor musician Raymond Hart from Eastland, John Hullum and Bob Farrell from Olden, R.D. and Sharon Childers from Scranton, David and June Sly of May, George Allison of Early, John Hayes of Comanche, Marty Clifford of Moran and Chuck Patrick, emcee and Jackie Collins of Pioneer are the regular

musicians who play at the musical each month.

There were two guest musicians, Wesley Albright, who plays the bass guitar from Gordon and Wade Leggett who plays the dobro and plays and sing Bluegrass music. He is from Springtown.

Two members of the audience, Billy and Estelle Woody traveled from Fort Worth to attend the musical. Also the newly elected Sheriff of Callahan County, Terry Joy regularly attends. We're glad to have him and his wife Lenora come and enjoy the musicals.

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Cookie Robinson

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**Library Group Takes Fieldtrip To Brownwood** —Thanks to the grant from the Brown Foundation Inc., our Summer Reading Program has been an exciting adventure of discovery! Last week fifty-four (54) children and parents attended the Lehnis Railroad Museum in Brownwood. There were exhibits of models trains of all sizes and ages, which were a big hit with everyone. Included in the exhibits were railroad equipment, railroad lanterns, and the history of local railroads. A tour through the big red caboose and dining car was informative and fun. Our only disappointment was the train we were going to ride was not available because it had broken down. But, there is always next time!

VLB drops rate to lowest level ever, encouraging veterans to buy a piece of Texas

## Texas veterans land rush set with 6.75 percent interest rate

AUSTIN — The Texas Veterans Land Board voted today to drop interest rates on land loans to a record low — just 6.75 percent.

"I hope every veteran in Texas hears about these record low rates," said Jerry Patterson, chairman of the VLB. "This is a great benefit they have earned and should take advantage of."

Texas veterans can now take advantage of the VLB's low-interest rate loans to borrow as much as \$100,000 to buy land. The previous rate was 7.25 percent. Veterans and real estate professionals alike will be thrilled to know that VLB land loans not only offer the best rates and terms in the state, but are also now being closed in a record average of 30 days or less. This is a significant improvement over the days when it used to take two to three months to close a

land loan.

The practice of rewarding Veterans for their service with land in Texas goes back to before the Republic. After World War II, Texas created the VLB to oversee the land loan program, which eventually expanded to offer home and home improvement loans.

Since taking office in 2003, Patterson has raised the amount Texas veterans may borrow for a home from \$150,000 up to \$417,000. Buying land through the VLB has gotten easier, too. Under Patterson's direction, the VLB has reduced the minimum acreage that could be bought with a VLB land loan from five acres to one acre, making it easier for veterans to buy lots closer to urban areas. A Texas veteran can simultaneously have a VLB land loan, a VLB home improvement loan and a VLB home improve-

ment loan.

The Texas Veterans Land Board was created in 1946 to help veterans returning from World War II buy land for agricultural purposes.

"No other state can match what the VLB offers: low-cost home, land and home improvement loans; skilled nursing facilities and cemeteries—all exclusively for Texas veterans or their spouses," Patterson said. "And all of our programs are self-funding, which is good news for Texas taxpayers."

For more information on how to take advantage of this record low land loan rate, talk to your Realtor or call 1-800-252-VETS (1-800-252-8387), or visit the Veterans Land Board website at [www.texasveterans.com](http://www.texasveterans.com). Or, find the Texas Veterans Land Board on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/TXVLB>.



## "Murder at the 'Meet the Author'" Reveals Suspects

Cross Plains Public Library will present "Murder at the 'Meet the Author'" on Saturday, September 29, 2012 in the Cross Plains High School Auditorium. This second play of our "Murder at the..." series is the perfect "pre-kick-off" event for The Big Read "Everything Poe" celebration.

This year's play once again takes place in the town of 'Crossed Plains' and spoofs some of our good-natured citizens, with their permission, of course. Every character is fictional and in no way reflects the person we poke fun at. The evening will be full of laughter and mayhem!

The 7:00 p.m. performance will be preceded by a "Pre-Carnage Party" at 5:30 p.m. with liquid "POE-tions" (non-alcoholic beverages) and hors d'oeuvres (enough to fill any appetite) to fit in with the theme of the library's usual "Meet the Author" fare. Tickets for the party and play are \$15 and include a program and first choice of seating. General admission for the play only is \$10 and a limited number of programs will be available for purchase for \$1.00 each. Tickets will be available at the library beginning August 13th.

In the coming weeks, we will introduce you to our characters. Returning this year:

**Amanda Vanderson-Caper** (Kandy Jones) started her own psychic hotline as a side business, but she still works for the local newspaper, the *Crossed Plains PREview*—"where we report the news BEFORE it happens!" She also hosts a TV news segment

"On the Go with Crossed Plains PRE-view." During last year's production, Amanda married Dwindle Caper and they now live on the Dwindling Ranch, although Amanda still keeps her apartment above the newspaper. Some say they still hear the old printing presses running from time to time. What is she printing so late at night?

**Belinda Barnes** (Diana Miller) is a native of Crossed Plains and is the town's current librarian. Her husband, Ricky, owns a guinea pig farm south of town; he will be attending the Guinea Pig Farmers of America conference in Square Rock and will miss the "Meet the Author." Last year, Belinda and her husband Ricky adopted a baby girl. Belinda is doing everything in her power to ensure that the Crossed Plains Public Library wins the "Best Small Library in the Universe" contest next year, which is sponsored by the Will and Linda Bates Foundation. What lengths will she go to, to win?

**Ora Knowdem** (Kellie (Draper) Cozart) was the one who cracked the case wide open last year. She continues teaching at Crossed Plains Elementary and enjoys gardening and quilting. This summer she started a "Friends of the Crossed Plains Public Library" group and is working closely with Belinda to win the "Best Small Library in the Universe" contest. Could these two seemingly innocent women be in cahoots on a devious plot?

Submitted by  
Michelle Kaiser

### AUGUST 15

Barbara Duncan  
Pat Albus  
Steve Petty  
Cristy LeeAnn Whiteley  
Carie (Renfro) Wheeler  
Elvin Burke  
Maxine Dimitri

### AUGUST 16

Brett Jennings  
Kelli (Hargrove) Hyles  
Von Dell Bailey  
Stephen Fortenbury  
Connie Ricci  
Alice Roby

### AUGUST 17

Scott Hutton  
Nakadah Walker  
Paula Kelley  
Nelda Tensionn  
Angela (Newton) Barraclough  
Tiffany Paige Holland  
Frank O' Bannion  
Renee Hogrell

### AUGUST 18

Darrin Ames  
Dakota Teasdale  
Tommy Hornsby  
Harry Watson  
Paul Edward Walker  
Chester Brown  
Don Turner Jr.  
Mrs. J.T. Walker  
Debbie (Fletcher) Walker  
Shelia (Bright) Jackson

### AUGUST 19

Chris Wilson  
Darcie Walker  
Inez Reed  
Janie Thomas  
Rex Mayes  
Johnny Ray Wilson  
Jerry Wayne Perry  
Ms. Ronald Miller  
Romara Rene Atwood  
Connie (Steele) Grelle

### AUGUST 20

Zoie Walker  
Janeal (Stephens) Yancey  
Sean Holden  
Lurene McNutt  
Mrs. Boswell Burks  
Ronnie Lovell  
Weldon Stephens  
Tommy Brown

### AUGUST 21

Audrey Smith  
Bill Ramsey  
Donny Miller  
Barbara Henson  
Jimmy McCowen  
Chas Wayne Watson  
Billy Christenson, Jr.  
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