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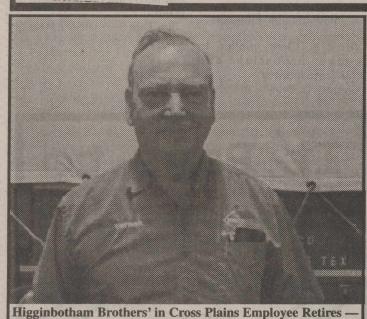


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Vernon Smith Retires After 20 Years of Service

Vernon Smith retires after 20 years of service.

Vernon Smith is retiring March 29, 2013 after 20 years with Employee of the Week. Higginbotham Brothers. Vernon started working at the Gorman bride, Becky and they have two location June 1, 1993 as the children, Robert and Rachael who Lumberyard Manager.

Vernon came to Cross Plains grandsons. August 1, 1994 to fill the position Vernon loves to fish, camp and of Store Manager.

years at Higginbotham Brothers we all know he will enjoy his free has been amazing.

Vernon was recently awarded

Vernon is married to his lovely have blessed him with three

loves to watch his cows eat grass. Vernon commented that all 20 Vernon will be truly missed but



Please join us at Texas Heritage Bank Friday, March 29 as we celebrate **Roxie Thomas**

Roxie has recently announced her retirement after almost 33 years with Texas Heritage Bank and we want to say Thank You

Join us for cookies and punch throughout the day and swap a Roxie story or two. It should be fun.



Easter services at Methodist Church begin on Thursday

The first of the special Easter Coffee, juice, resurrection rolls the Lord's table.

also be at 6:00 on Friday and at 10:45. will focus on the last words of removal of the symbols of worship from the altar. Only the to celebrate the Risen Christ. cross will remain, draped in behalf.

celebration services at the and other goodies will be Methodist Church will be available at the church following Thursday at 6:00; commemorat- the sunrise service at the pavilion ing the last supper that Jesus nears Bubba's BBQ. Other early spent with his Disciples. Holy risers are invited to share in this Communion will be served at time of fellowship also. The this service and folks are re- refreshment table will again be minded that all are welcome at open for those who would like to visit over a cup of coffee before The Good Friday service will the glorious Easter service starts

A warm invitation is extended to Christ. This somber service of those who may not have a remembrance will end with the regular church home and are looking for a place to worship and

More information about these black until Easter morning. Wor- worship opportunities at the shippers will leave in silence, Methodist Church may be pondering the magnificent sac- obtained by calling the church at rifice that Jesus made on our 725-7377 or via e-mail at fumccrossplains@gmail.com

Children's Community Easter Celebration

First Baptist Church will be presenting a "Christ Is Risen" themed Easter Egg Hunt to celebrate the Risen Savior, Jesus Christ on Saturday, March 30th at 10:00 a.m. Behind the church. The Hunt is open to ages birth through the 6th Grade.

The Hunt will be sponsored by The Children's Ministry at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains located on Main Street.

Come on out and enjoy this awesome time of fun and celebration!

Media Advisory: Rep. Conaway To **Hold Town Hall In** Coleman April 1

Washing, D.C.--At 1 p.m. on Monday, April 1, U.S. Representative K. Michael Conaway (R-Texas) will hold a town hall at the Coleman County Senior Center in Coleman.

The town hall is open to members of the media and the

WHAT: Town Hall in Coleman WHO: U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway WHEN: 1-2 p.m., Monday,

April 1, 2013 WHERE: Coleman County Senior Center 916 S. Concho St. Coleman, TX 76834

Rebecca Neal Communications Director Congressman K. Michael Conaway 2430 Rayburn House Office Bldg. Washington, D.C. 20515 (202) 225-3605

C.P. Library's Third "Pushing The Limits" Event Planned for April 4th

The Cross Plains Public Library's third event for Pushing the Limits, a pilot project to explore ways for all of us to push the limits using science and technology, will be Thursday, April 4th. We will meet at the Senior Citizens Center at 6:30 p.m. for a light supper and start the book discussion at 7:00 p.m. Participants are reading the book Thunderstruck by Eric Larson for the Connection part of the four-part series sponsored by the National Science Foundation. The book combines technical history with the story of murder, as Guglielmo Marconi's invention of the wireless telegraph parallels the true-life search for one of Britain's most notorious serial killers. Marconi's technology eventually allows people on both sides of the Atlantic to listen in as Scotland Yards tracks and captures the

A video interview with the author, Eric Larson, will be shown along with a human interest story of a woman pushing her limits in communication using scientific ideas and principals to make

connections in her life. Everyone is welcome to join us for the thoughtful and interesting discussion, even if you haven't read the book, that is generated by subjects that produce a new way to explore science. The topics of Nature and Survival were the first two events presented by the library as a new gateway for science learning in our community and had an average audience of thirty people.



TREY KEY AND FRANCIS THE LION!

America's Favorite Old-Fashioned Big Top Circus is Coming to Town!

Thanks to the sponsorship of The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, Culpepper & Merriweather Circus, America's Favorite Big Top Circus is coming to Cross Plains, Texas on Thursday, March 28th at the Cross Plains High School Practice Field with two scheduled performances, at 5:00 & 7:30 p.m. Now in its 29th edition, C&M Circus has become internationally known quality entertainment. This authentic One-Ring, Big Top Circus has been featured on National Geographic's Explorer TV series, Entertainment Tonight, The Los Angeles Times, The Chicago Tribune, Arizona Highways Magazine. It has also been featured on the A&E Special: Under the Big Top and most recently, On the Road with Circus Kids, a Nickelodeon special featured

on the Nick News Program. Bring your friends and family out circus morning to watch as a familiar place in your town is transformed into a bustling Circus City. Activity swirls around the grounds as animals are unloaded, the Big Top is erected, and rigging is prepared for performances later in the day. Enjoy the magic and tradition of the American Circus with your family and create memories

that will last a lifetime. Between 9:30 and 10:00 a.m. come watch the raising of the Big Top, then stay for the FREE Tour.

This presentation offers a

opportunity for families, schools, and interested community members to meet and learn all about the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus family and includes a walking tour of the circus grounds. Learn interesting facts about our performers, the history of our show and the different species of animals in our Circus Family. In this

presentation we will also

address topics such as

hygiene, grooming and the

veterinary care all of our In recent years the Tent Raising and Morning Tour has become a popular program for families and interested community members. It is presented in a way everyone, young and old can learn many interesting facts about the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus Family and now we

have a brand new tent! This is

a special part of Circus Day

that should not be missed. On circus day, our performers bring the magic of the circus to life in each 90minute performance. This year's lineup includes an All-Star group of performers and entertainers that include: Miss Simone and her amazing single trapeze, Miss Paulina's proud prancing ponies, The Arlise Troupe on their wild and crazy unicycles, Natalie's American Eskimo Escapades, The Ayala's with unforgetable foot juggling, a ridiculous Rola Bola and certainly a hair raising Hair Hang!

But, lets not forget our favorite performing Jungle Cats, Soloman, Delilah & Francis, presented by Mr. Trey Key, that will certainly have you on the edge of your seats!All accompanied by original music written by the talented, Matt Margucci from Los Angeles, California. Our performers are sure to amaze, delight and entertain the audience members of all agesbeyond your wildest imagination. The costumes alone are certainly of Los Vegas quality.

MONEY SAVE purchasing your tickets in advance. Advance tickets are available at: Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Office, Texas Heritage Bank, Mexico City Cafe, and Jean's Feed Barn.

Prices for advance tickets are \$6.00 for children ages 2 to 12, children under 2 are always free, and \$10.00 for adults. On show day tickets will be \$7.00 for children and \$13.00 for adults, so get your tickets early and save!!!

For more information or to ! purchase tickets with a credit card call 866 BIG TOP 6.

Advance tickets will be available on show day at this number till 4:00 p.m. Monday -Friday, Central Time.

Circus Day Schedule (times may vary) Between 9:30 & 10:00 a.m - Tent Raising & FREE Tour.

You Can Be A Sponsor of the Barbarian Festival

Plans are underway now for the Barbarian Festival.net. 15th Annual Barbarian Festival to Treadway Park. The festival sponsor the festival: Reed features live music, arts and craft booths, food booths, kids games Salamander's Apparel, Susan J and rides, an Antique Tractor Schaefer CPA, City of Cross Show, and an Antique and Classic Car and Truck Show.

A prize drawing is held benefiting the festival's Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt scholarship fund which awards a scholarship each year to a Cross Plains High School senior.

None of this would be possible without the generous support that we receive from local businesses 254-725-6498 for more details or 254-725-6498. visit the festival's website at

Many local businesses have be held on Saturday, June 8th, at already stepped up to help Construction, Box R Outfitters, Plains, Cross Plains EDC, J & S Ag Fabrication, Boss Hawg, Trinity Liveoak Real Estate, AAA Stowaway Storage, Kimmy's Rustic to Rhinestones, Hutchins Custom Processing, J&L Sales, Connie's Cuts and Curls, Strength Paint and Body and Tim's Floral.

Thank you to all of the

Barbarian Festival sponsors. If you have signed up to be a and residents. You can join in the sponsor and your name is not fun and be a sponsor of the listed above, or you would like to Call Don at be a sponsor, please call



Birthdays Burkett VFD 5th Annual BBQ 9 Classifieds Courthouse News Cottonwood News **Cross Plains ISD Minutes** Fight Against Crime Obituaries School Menu Senior Activities Wedding Anniversary

CHURCH DIRECTORY

COTTONWOOD BAPTIST	CHURCH
Sunday School	9:45 AM
Morning Worship	11:00 AM
Evening Service	6:00 PM
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time	7:00 PM
David Braun, Pastor	

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



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

Bible Teaching

Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: **Dwaine Clowers** 254-725-6268

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

Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley

Living Water Ministries Fellowship

Restoring And Equipping The Saints

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

Pastor Max Evans

For Information Call (254) 725-7418

Rowden Baptist Church

Pastor: Wayne Lenz Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods

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

2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains



First United Methodist Church

Kevin Morton, Pastor

Office 725-7377 **Sunday School** 9:30 a.m.

Parsonage 325-624-5634 **Sunday Worship** 10:45 a.m.

1000 North Main Street www.gbgm-umc.org/crossplains/

First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY SERVICE 9:00 AM Music-Connie Swift LEAD SINGERS: 4HIS GLORY Pastor Kathy Monroe 208 N. Ave. D 23-tfn

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Bible Class: 9:45 A.M.

Worship:10:45 A.M.

Juanita (Inglet) Crisp

Juanita (Inglet) Crisp, age 84, on March 24, 2013 with her

55 years.

Waddle, Fay Watts and Jean Ferrero; two brothers, Bo Inglet and Mack Inglet.

Juanita is preceded in death by her parents, husband, Clinton Crisp, two brothers and four

The family would like to express heartfelt thanks to a special friend Bridget Hinrichs, and all the employees of Sagecrest and Hospice of San Angelo.

Wild Horse Prairie Car Show in Haskell on

The Wild Horse Prairie Car Show will be held Saturday, April 6th in Haskell, Texas.

8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

The Poker Run Cruise will take place through downtown Haskell beginning at 2:00 p.m. Awards will be presented at 3:00 p.m.

- (D) Motorcycles (E) Original
- Trucks
- (H) 1951-1972 (I) 1973 & Up

For more information, call Wes at (940) 256-1940 or Ben at

VELMA YOUNG

Velma Young

Baird-Velma Young, age 93,

of Baird, Texas, passed away

Sunday, March 24, 2013, in

Homestead Health of Baird.

Services were held at 2:00 PM

Wednesday, March 27, 2013,

in the First Baptist Church of

Baird with Pastor Jimmy

Hatcher officiating. Interment

followed in Ross Cemetery.

Parker Funeral Home was in

Velma was born on

December 22, 1919, in Kent

County, to Joe and Oma

Joiner Jenkins. She married

Wilburn Young on March 3,

1960, in Tatum New Mexico.

He preceded her in death in

1982. Velma had lived in Baird

She worked as a caregiver for

many years for Girling Health

Care, retiring when she was 90

years of age. She also had

managed the Walnut Hills

Apartments in Baird for over 10

years. A member of First

Baptist Church of Baird, she

was a member of the Ester

Sunday School class. Velma

was in the Order of the Eastern

Star, and had formerly served

on the Board of Directors of the

West Texas Rehabilitation Center. She dearly loved her

She was preceded in death by

her husband, 2 sisters, 4

brothers, and a special

The family suggests

memorials to the First Baptist

Church of Baird, P. O. Box

Parker

Funeral Home

Baird, Texas 141 E. 3rd St. Baird, TX 79504 (325) 854-1333

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brother-in-law, Ray Young.

1116, Baird, TX, 79504.

over 40 years.

charge of arrangements.

of Blake, went to be with the Lord family by her side at a local care center. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday at the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel in Cross Plains, with Harold Watkins and wife, Mary Lou officiating; burial followed in the Rising Star Cemetery.

Juanita was born on July 19, 1928 in Blake, Texas to Z.B. and Lola E (Owens) Inglet. She married Clinton Crisp on November 3, 1948 in Sweetwater, Texas and they were married for

Juanita is survived by her two daughters, Debbie Williams and husband Bennie of San Angelo, Brenda Jowers and husband Jackie of Zephyr; one step-son, Donald Ray Crisp of Brownwood; four grandchildren, Craig Jowers of Brownwood, Stephanie Barr of Zephyr, Brandi Parson and husband Ben of San Angelo, and Amanda Adams and husband Cory of San Angelo; eight great-grandchildren and one great-great granddaughter; four sisters, Sue Barnes, Trisha

family and their activities together such as camping and fishing at Lake Leon. Survivors include 1 Vida Gilbert of Ranger, Texas; 1 sister-in-law, Ann Jenkins of Abilene, Texas; 19 nieces and nephews, and numerous great-nieces and nephews. She loved each one, and served in a special grandmother role for her greatniece, Shahala Jo. Velma is April 6th also survived by many extended family members on her husband's side of the

The car show, sponsored by the Betterment Association & Haskell Chamber of Commerce, will take place on the Courthouse Square in Haskell. Registration will be held at the south east corner of the Square from

Categories include:

- (A) Pre-1950 (B) 1951-1972
- (C) 1973 & Up
- (F) Customs
- (G) Pre-1950

(940) 864-4555.

Courthouse News

Callahan County Court Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Christopher Ralph, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Pamela Renee Bunselmeyer,

theft by check. Jamye Lynn Rogers, theft by

Roxanna Alvarez Stewart, theft by check. Gary Wayne Edwards, assault

family violence.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Justin L. Clark, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted. Gregory G. Brown, motion to revoke probation adjudicate granted.

Crista C. Coker, order releasing cash bond granted. Jason D. Wilson, judgment of

acquittal to DWI due to

insufficient evidence. Melissa G. Thomas, motion to dismiss to assault - family violence granted for plea to other case.

Marriage Licenses

Bruce Glasgow Greaver and Kathleen Ann Hayden, both of

Jim Tom Beeman and Melissa Christine Bross, both of Clyde.

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First Baptist Church

Sunday School

Sunday **Morning Worship**

9:30 am

10:45 a.m.

Sunday **Evening Small** Groups

6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship Youth Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Children's Chairs 6:30p.m.

Ronnie B. White, Pastor

Tim Tolosa/Music/Education Minister (254) 725-7629 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443

www.firstbaptistcp.com

Vendors RSVP Now for the 40th Anniversary of the Cisco Folklife Festival, April 27th and 28th

League Folklife Festival held on the grounds of the Cisco Col- tacts are

forward to celebrating this occa- 9461 sion and are especially happy to announce the Cisco College gym is now AIR CONDITIONED!! That's a great bonus for vendors 1522 able to procure those spots for their booths!

If you or your organization wishes to be a vendor at this year's festival, contact one of the ladies listed below AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. They will explain

Come and join the community how you can guarantee a spot of Cisco for the 40th Anniver- to share your unique goods and sary edition of the Cisco Civic interests at this milestone event. Your Cisco Civic League con-

The Ladies of the League look LeAnn Barron at 254-443-

Or email llab88@cebridge.net Crafts Harryette Purvis at 254-442-

Other Cisco Folklife Festival inquiries Cisco Civic League President,

Or email at harryette@sbcglobal.net Millie Lewis at 254-442-3827

Evening Worship: 6:00P.M. Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M. Ladies Class - Wednesday: 10:00A.M. (at the church activity center on east Hwy 36) They are studying from a book written by Lottie Beth Hobbs entitled -"Your Best Friend" and when completed with that study they will start with her book - "If You

Would See Good Days"

Beverly Brown

We wish you and your family a very happy Easter and safe journey travels to and from being with your families.

Easter is this Sunday, March 31st. The Cottonwood Baptist Church is holding their monthly Fellowship Dinner right after the services. So, bring your family and a covered dish with you to church and enjoy the fellowship after the services. The dinner is will be an Easter Egg Hunt at the church for the kids

The First United Methodist having Sunrise Services on Easter morning at 7 a.m. at the pavilion at Bubba's BBQ on Highway 36. Following the services there will be coffee and donuts at the Methodist Church followed by the regular schedule of church services. Methodist Church is also holding Good Friday services on Friday evening.

Pioneer Historical Association Semi-Annual **Cemetery Board** Meeting

The first semi-annual meeting of the Pioneer Historical **Association and Cemetery Board** will be held at 6:00 p.m. on April 8, 2013 at the Dairy Queen in Cross Plains, Texas.

If at all possible, board members should be in attendance and visitors with family ties to the Pioneer Cemetery are especially welcome.

doing good here and just wanted

to make sure you knew to come

by the Rising Star Nursing

Center on Good Friday, March

29th at 10:30 a.m. for the Annual

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Lou Brooks Secretary

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SPECIALS!— SPECIALS!

April 1st is almost here. This year is going by so quick. We are fast approaching the date for the Historical Cottonwood Association Annual Meeting on the first Saturday in May which is May 4th. The Old Post Office is getting a fresh coat of paint. And there's clean up work going on around the community.

The next Cottonwood Musical is Friday, April 5th. Taco Salad, also a farewell to the pastor David sandwiches and dessert will be Braun and his family. There also served in the kitchen. The musical starts at 5:30 p.m. at the both former Cottonwood Community Center.

Church in Cross Plains will be visitors this week from Georgia. Chaplin (Ret.) Wayne King and wife, Jane, will be with them for two days, on their way to and from their alma mater, Baylor University, and Oklahoma, to see a basketball tournament. (They are radical Baylor fans!) The Bennetts and the Kings became friends when stationed at Ft Hood in 1969 and for a period of time outdoor burning or welding of after Wallace retired from the any kind. Be extremely cautious

Cross Plains Area Genealogy Society Meeting Scheduled for **April 1st**

The Cross Plains Area Genealogy Society will have a meeting on April 1st at 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Cross Plains Public Library. We will have a short business meeting and then have open discussion about our research. Please bring your latest finds about your family tree to share. If you have research questions we will see what we can do to help you make progress climbing your family tree!

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two categories from 0-5 years and

6-10 years. We will have a good

See you all there and may God

Clyde, Tx. 79510

bless each of you.

OR ELECTRIC

Army chaplaincy, living in Arlington, Carol and Wallace were "overseeing" Jane and their children while Wayne was in Vietnam. The Kings are both Master gardeners and one of their volunteer activities is helping with a community garden in their town. Wayne was a Baptist chaplain. They'll be sharing many wonderful memories during their visit.

So nice to talk with Ethel Champion and Clare McInnis, residentss, this week. They both Carol and Wallace Bennett have wanted to be sure that I told everyone "hello"

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group is looking for photos, stories, history-or any rememberances that you'd like to have included in the 25th Anniversary book. Give me a call at 254-725-7369. We'd like to have everything in by April 8th.

The Burn Ban is still on. No doing work outside.



State Water Funding Important to Callahan County Residents

State water funding has been a priority issue in Austin during the 83rd session of the Texas Legislature, and members of the Texas House and Texas Senate are drafting legislation to allocate money to future water projects across the state.

"Callahan-Shackelford County farmers and ranchers rely on adequate water supply to ensure they can continue producing food for the region and beyond," said Sam Snyder, president of Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau. "We understand that our fellow community members need access to water, too.'

The Texas House Natural Resources Committee has approved a bill that would allow \$2 billion from the Texas Rainy Day Fund to go toward water projects like new reservoirs, pipelines, desalination plants and conservation projects

According to the bill, water projects would be selected based on a points system, which accounts for overall need and community's involvement in the project. The current bill requires 10 percent of funds be allocated to projects in rural communi-

The House Natural Resources Committee unanimously approved the bill. The Texas Senate also is working on a similar bill. The House and Senate versions will need to be reconciled before legislation is final.

Senior Citizens Take-Out Orders

The attendance at the Center is growing every day and we are very excited about it, but with growth, we sometimes have to make some adjustments. One adjustment will be take-out orders. To eliminate waiting time, of both dining in and taking out, we will fill take-out orders at 12:15. We appreciate your support and willingness to help us work through our growing pains.

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Patrons		141
Books Checked Out		132
Programs		41
Lap	5	
Lapsit	8	
GED Class	12	
Other	16	

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43 Internet Wi-Fi

Interlibrary Loans

"Grandpa" Smith

Reference

Memorials Cecil and Gayla Creamer In Memory of William N.

Jack and Barbara Baum In Memory of Curt Hoskins

Books and Miscellaneous **Donations** Bryan Bennett Jacque Childress Sydney Pharr

Volunteers Azalee Womack Sue Bennett **Beverly Ross** Lavonne Childress

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Esther Kerr receives a manicure from Tracy Starr with In tegraCare HomeHealth at the Senior Center — Tracy will be volunteering at the Center at 10:00 on the 1st and 3rd Friday of

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

April 1-5

Monday 1st - Excercise 11:00/Blood Pressure **Check Sponsered by Encompass** Tuesday 2nd- Excercise 11:00/GAME NIGHT

Wednesday 3rd- Excercise 10:45/ BINGO 11:15 Thursday 4th - Reading with 3rd Graders Excercise 11:00

Friday 5th-Manicures 10:00/Integra Care/ Excercise 11:00

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

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

April 1-5

Monday -Soft Taco with Thursday -BBQ Chicken/ Cheese/Spanish rice/Pinto Potato Salad/Pinto Beans/ Beansd/Dessert/Drink Bread/Dessert/Drink Tuesday -Stuffed Baked Potato with Meat and Cheese/Salad/Bread/ Dessert/Drink

Wednesday - Turkey Pot Pie (vegetables in entree')/ Pickled Beets/Dessert/ Drink

Friday -Goulash (tomatoes and corn in entree')/Green Beans/ Bread/Dessert/Drink

MEAL IS SERVED -11:45 A.M. - 12:30 P.M

To get your name on the Birthday Column, send your name and date of birth to The Cross Plains Review P.O. Box 519 Cross Plains, Texas 76443

There is no charge for this service. To delete a name due to death or other reasons send name and birth date (Month and Day) or Call 254-725-6111

Happy "79th" Birthday

Mom

Street.

Sally Roady will celebrate her "79th" Birthday on Thursday, March 28th. We want to wish her a Wonderfully Happy Birthday!!! Love, Cindy, Chuck and Rose

Marilou, Kala

and Kids





SEE OUR 500

GAL. TANK &

KEYHOLE GARDEN

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Screening

Pre-Kindergarten next Fall. Cross Plains Elementary offers Prebefore September 1, 2013. Preolds register for the program.

limited.

full day program. Kindergarten screening. is a basic part of the Cross Plains you will NOT have to go through immunization record. the screening process. If your child has not been enrolled in Hepatitis B---3 doses by age 4 Pre-K, and will be attending Kindergarten in the Fall, please register for screening.

Early childhood screening will be conducted at the same time as regular Pre-K and Kindergarten program is a program to help (MMR)---2 doses with 1st dose

March 19, 2013

Parents are asked to register those children ages 3-5 who show their children who will enter to be developmentally delayed or have a suspected disability.

Early Childhood, Pre-K and Kindergarten to all children who Kindergarten screening will be will be four years of age on or conducted Thursday, April 11, 2013 at the Cross Plains certificate, immunization record, Kindergarten will be offered if a Elementary School. Please call sufficient number of four year the Elementary Principal's Office at 725-6123 to make an It is important that students appointment for your child. The register as soon as possible in or- screening will take about sixty der to plan classes for 2013-2014. minutes. Each student's hearing, Class sizes for Pre-K may be vision, speech, motor skills, language ability, Students who will be five years developmental growth will be of age on or before September 1, evaluated at this time. Parents 2013 are eligible for will be given a report on their Kindergarten.. Kindergarten is a child's progress at the time of the

Parents are reminded that, in School system and the service is order to enter school in Texas, the available to all students. If your student must have a state child is currently enrolled in approved birth certificate, social Pre-K at Cross Plains Elementary, security card and a current

> Immunization Requirements: DTaP---5/4 doses with one on or

after 4th birthday Polio---4 doses with one on or if 3rd dose given on or after 4th birthday

screening. The early childhood Measles/Mumps/Rubella

CROSS PLAINS I.S.D. BOARD OF TRUSTEE MINUTES

The Cross Plains ISD Board of that we approve Shared Health extend a Term Contract for a Dual

Trustees met in a regular meeting Advisory Council committee Assignment Contract for

with the following members consisting of April Grider, Mariah Elementary employee: JoJo

Motion was made by Cowan

The following administrators and seconded by McWilliams that the secondary teachers; Janna

Motion was made by Bennett

Motion was made by Bennett

Foster, Madison Foster, Billy and seconded by McWilliams that and seconded by Crockett that we

Wayne Bell, Bobby Don Bell, we accept resignation of extend the Term Contract of a

Donna Jean Bell, Adam Quinn Herminia Rodriquez. 7 for and 0 Dual Assignment Contract for a

and seconded by Cowan that we

Motion was made by Bennett following Term Contract for we extend the Probationary

Dillard, Deanna Golson, Terri Hunter, Kelli Hyles, Leslie

Motion was made by Bennett we extend the Probationary \$325.00 monthly health insurance

and seconded by Shepard that we Contract employee for a Dual premium on employees. 7 for and

Kelley. 7 for and 0 against.

Motion was made by Shepard Sowell. 7 for and 0 against.

extend the Continuing Contract and seconded by Crockett that we

for Elementary employees: extend the Probationary Contract

Karen Richey, Vickie Walker and for a Dual Assignment Contract

Paul Winfrey. 7 for and 0 against. for a secondary employee: Dade

Motion was made by Cosby. 7 for and 0 against.

Bennett that we extend the and seconded by McWilliams that

Elementary employees: Jamie Contract for secondary

Apple, April Cowan, Becky employees: Elvan Goode and

Lawrence, Dixie Lewis, Casie and seconded by Crockett that we

Morgan, Nora Odom, Janice extend a 4th year Probationary

Phillips, Melissa Richards, Karri Contract to secondary employee: Shepard, Pat Stephens and William Norman. 7 for and 0

Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Bennett that we and seconded by McWilliams that pay the 2013-2014 rate of

Motion was made by Cowan we adjourn. 7 for and 0 against.

Diana Dobbins, and the and seconded by Shepard that we Morgan, Brandi Purvis, Amanda

Elementary Principal, Jeremy take no action on TASB Energy Sowell, Margie Sowell and Kathy

Williams. Other guests were Cooperative. 7 for and 0 against. Turner. 7 for and 0 against.

present: Jack Shepard, Tommy Goode, Erin Cook, Margie Sowell Morgan. 7 for and 0 against.

Ames, Davy Crockett, John and Barbara Barnett. 7 for and 0

and guests were also in we take no action on electricity

were students of the month for McWilliams and seconded by

seconded by Cowan that we Crystal Webb. 5 for, 0 against and against.

extend Depository Contract with Assignment Contract for 0 against.

accept Update 96 as Cowan and Shepard abstain.

attendance: Superintendent, Phil bids. 7 for and 0 against.

McWilliams, Michael Cowan, against.

Hoyt Foster and Bryan Bennett.

Mitchell, High School Principal,

Dixie Lewis, Kyle Foster, Penny

Motion was made by Cowan

and seconded by McWilliams that

we accept the minutes as read. 7

Motion was made by Crockett

and seconded by Bennett that

Madison Foster and Bobby Bell

and seconded by Shepard that we approve budget amendment

number one. 7 for and 0 against.

and seconded by Foster that we approve Order of Cancellation for

Motion was made by Foster and

recommended by TASB. 7 for

Motion was made by Crockett

and 0 against.

election. 7 for and 0 against.

Motion was made by Cowan

March 2013. 7 for 0 against.

and Jason Jones.

for 0 against.

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Motion was made by Crockett

and seconded by McWilliams that

we extend the Term Contracts for

Austin, Shawn Bullock, Keeka

Byrd, Patricia Cook, Rhonda

Kelley, Debbie Mitchell, Marc

Motion was made by Bennett

secondary employee: Matt

Motion was made by Bennett

Motion was made by Cowan

Robin Porter. 7 for and 0 against.

Motion was made by Cowan

Motion was made by Crockett

Motion was made by Bennett

and seconded by McWilliams that

Texas

Department of

Sinceramente, Jeremy Williams Director de la Escuela

Ex-Cross Plains High School **Athletes** To Be Honored

A tea/coffee is planned for Saturday, May 25, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. in the Cross Plains ISD Cafeteria for any CPHS graduate who participated in a State level competition or made All-State teams in any sporting event.

Photos will be made of each group and one large photo of every athlete attending will be made to hang in the gym foyer.

If you are a state qualified athlete and would like to attend, please call Connie Kirkham 325-665-0154, Shana Hinyard 325-660-5719, Valeta Brown 325-624-5440 or Barbara Sowell 254-725-7625 to confirm your

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LUNCH

Monday -Hot Dog, Seasoned corn, Fresh Veggie cup, Sliced peaches, Milk

Tuesday - Chicken nuggets, Mac and Cheese, Garden salad, Green beans, Pears, Milk

Wednesday-Cheese Enchiladas, Refried beans, Garden salad, Salsa, Cinnamon applea, Milk

Thursday-Grilled Cheese, Beef-Vegetable Soup, Baby carrots, Fruit cup, Milk Friday - Beef or Chicken Patty

on bun, Baked wedges, Lettuce, tomato, pickle, Apple slices, Milk

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High school students in Calla-Youth Leadership Conference han-Shackelford County who attendees also are invited to are interested in developing the participate in TFB's Free Entervalues of citizenship, patriotism, prise Speech Contest. Contescapitalism and leadership are tants must deliver a six-minute invited to attend Texas Farm speech in the community at least Bureau's (TFB) 50th Annual five times to qualify for the dis-Youth Leadership Conference trict competition. District win-June 17th-21st at Tarleton State ners will compete during the TFB

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leadership conference

invited to summer

University in Stephenville, Texas.

local students to attend this con-

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gaging activities that will help

them prepare for leadership op-

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later, the workforce.

"We are pleased to sponsor in December. Free Enterprise Speech Conference, where they learn more test scholarships will be awarded about the cornerstones of our at the following levels: district country-the U.S. Constitution winners, \$1,500 each; four fiand our free enterprise system,". nalists, \$2,000 each; runner-up, said Sam Snyder, Callahan-\$3,000; and winner, \$6,000. In Shackelford County Farm Bu- addition, the district winners will reau president. "These are valhave the opportunity to travel to ues that we must pass down to Washington, D.C., with TFB representatives.

Students interested in participating in the Youth Leadership Conference or the Free Enterprise Speech Contest should portunities in their schools. contact the Callahan-Shackelchurches, communities and ford County Farm Bureau office at Baird. Applications are due by May 1.

Qualified participants must be entering their junior or senior For more information, visit years of high school in August www.texasfarmbureau.org, seand be ranked in the top 30 lect "Youth Opportunities" unpercent of their class for aca- der the "Youth & Education" demics. If selected to attend, the section and then click on "Youth student will receive a full schol- Leadership Conference."

Callahan County Riding Club 2013 Schedule

•Sat. April 6

•Sat. April 20

•Sun. April 28 - Trail Ride 2 pm Oplin

May: Sat. May 4 Sat. May 25

• June: Sat. June 1 •Sat. June 15

•Sat. June 29 • July: Sat. July 13

•Sat. July 30

August: Sat. Aug 3 •Sat. Aug 17

•Sat. Aug 31 •Sept:Sat. Sept 7

•Sat. Sept 21 Members participating in the Buckle Series are required to attend at least 9 play days. They must have a \$50.00 sponsorship. Also a parent/ guardian must work in the concession stand once per person participating and bring a case of drinks and a dessert. If you do not attend at least 9. you can pay \$10.00 for each

play day needed to buckle up

to 3. If you have questions call

Sign-ups will be between 6:00 and 6:30 pm. Trainers will begin at 6:30 pm. Competition begins at 7:00 pm. Any rain-outs or make up

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July – Stamford Parade,

July 3 •Sept - West Texas Fair Parade, Abilene Sept. 7

•Oct - Pecan Festival Parade, Clyde Oct. 12 Also, there will be a 4-H Open

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Articles Noon on Monday

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Texas Heritage Bank. 7 for and Elementary employee: Daniel

and seconded by McWilliams that and seconded by Shepard that we

Program, (ASAP) for the Cross school lockdown in a reassuring Plains Public Library will be manner. The Lockdown Patrol presented by the Family Career and Community Leaders of America or FCCLA. There will be a team of three students from the Cross Plains High School performing skits about school lockdowns. In the performances the "Lockdown Patrol" team will

The April After School clarify the many reasons for a teams competed at the District level and have two teams advancing to State.

program. Don't miss it!

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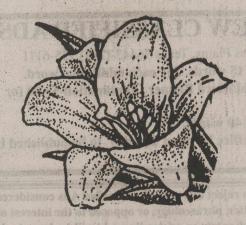
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Love--Is polite, even when the other person is rude

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Love--Doesn't remember reasons to keep a wrong to

be hurt

Love--Doesn't delight when someone else fails but delights in the truth

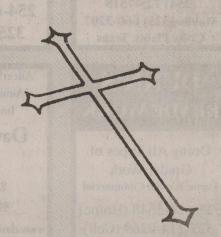
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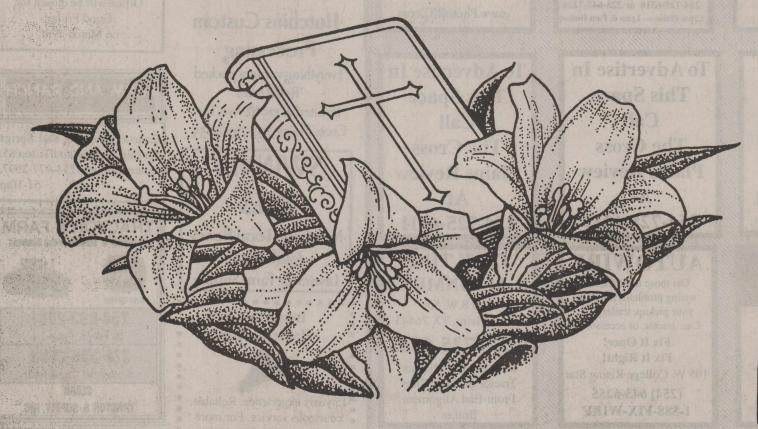
are made fun of or teased

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Rick Carouth displays Fire Gear donated by 3M — Sincere thanks goes out to 3M of Brownwood for donating twelve sets of turnout gear for the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department. The turnout gear consisted of helmets with face shields, coats, pants, boots, gloves and hoods. Pictured is Chief Rickey Carouth with some of the gear that was donated.

Sheriff Terry Joy Issues Appeal to Citizens in Fight Against Crime

Responding to the increased lives and property of citizens. number of citizens wanting to in the fight against crime, Sheriff Terry Joy today announced that Callahan County Citizens are being invited to become said Sheriff Joy. "I encourage Associate Members of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas.

Membership invitations will go several weeks. Associate Member funding allows the Sheriffs' Association of Texas to provide critical training, technical resources, and legislative support on key criminal justice issues to law enforcement officers across at:

In addition, dues will be used to support crime prevention and awareness programs, promote public safety, fight drug abuse, provide additional training for sheriffs and their deputies, and provide scholarships for children of law enforcement

deductible.

"The Associate Membership Drive helps provide the funding tive Director. Headquarters are which is vital to our mission of making our communities safer places to live, work and play," said Sheriff Joy.

The Associate Membership Program was created to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their support to more effective law enforcement and to bet- Attorney. ter help local Sheriffs protect the

"During these economic times, assist law enforcement officials the need for building stronger and build a stronger partnership public-private law enforcement partnerships continues to escalate, and programs such as this continue to grow in importance," every citizen receiving a membership appeal to consider joining forces with us by becoming out in the mail over the next an Associate Member. It is a valuable investment in our fu-

> Citizens not receiving a membership appeal or desiring more information can contact the Sheriffs' Association of Texas

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Callahan County's jobless rate rises to 5.3% in January

The unemployment rate in Callahan County rose eight-tenths of one percent to 5.3% in January 2013, according to jobless figures released Friday, March 8th by the Texas Workforce Commission. The unemployment rate in Callahan County one year ago in January 2012 was 5.5 percent.

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 4.5% in December, 2012.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County included: 4.4% in November 2012, 4.9% in October, 4.9% in September, 5.3% in August, 5.8% in July, 5.8% in June, 5.1% in May, 4.8% in April, 5.3% in March, and 5.4% in February, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and the counties' unemployment rates for January 2013 include: Brown, 6.3%; Coleman, 6.6%; Eastland, 6.3%; Jones, 6.5%; Runnels, 6.0%; Shackelford, 3.0%; Stephens, 5.7%; and Taylor County, 5.3%

The Abilene MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) unemployment rate, which includes Taylor, Callahan and Jones Counties, stood at 5.4% in January, 2013, according to the Texas Workforce Commission. Abilene's Combined Labor Force is 84,800. There were 80,200 employed during January 2013, while 4,600 were unemployed, giving the Abilene MSA an unemployment rate of

The Abilene MSA reported the workforce was 84,300 in December, 2012. Total employment of 80,400 was reported in December 2012, while 3,900, or 4.7% were unemployed in December 2012.

The Abilene MSA unemployment rate for January, 2012 was 5.9%. The total workforce was reported at 84,000, with 79,000 employed and 5,000 unemployed in January, 2012.

The state's unemployment rate for the month of January, 2012 was 6.9 percent. The total Texas labor force was 12,655,400 in January 2013. The total number unemployed Texans was 872,600 in January 2013.

Last month's statewide unemployment rate was 6.0 percent. The state's unemployment rate in January of 2012 was 7.5 per-

ment rate for January, 2013 was jobseekers per month. There has

Callahan County 4.5% Unemployment

8.5 percent. The nation's unemployment rate for the previous month of December, 2012 was 7.6%. The United States unemployment rate one year ago in January, 2012 was 8.8%.

Highlights of the Texas Labor Force (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

The Texas unemployment rate increased nine-tenths of a percentage point in January to 6.9 percent. This was the first increase in the rate since June of last year. Over the year, the unemployment rate showed a decrease of six-tenths of a percentage point. The unemployment rate for the United States increased by nine-tenths of a percentage point over the month to 8.5 percent. The Texas unemployment rate was 1.6 percentage points below the national rate for January. This was the 74th consecutive month Texas has been at or below the national unemployment rate.

• The Civilian Labor Force (CLF) grew by 20,900 Texans for a total of 12,655,400 people. This was the second consecutive month the CLF showed an increase and was the largest increase since October 2012. Over the year, the Texas labor force has shown a growth rate of 1.4%, or 168,700 individuals.

 The number of employed Texans fell by 87,500 people over the month to 11,782,800 persons, the largest decrease since January 2012. This was the lowest number of jobholders since August 2012. The past three months have shown an average contraction of 33,100 employed persons per month. Over the year, the number of employed Texans has grown by Texans employed is 230,800 persons. The number 11,882,800. The total number of of jobseekers increased by 108,400 individuals over the month to a total of 872,600 Texans. This was the largest overthe-month increase in the number of unemployed Texans since June 2009. Over the past three months, there has been an aver-The United States unemploy- age increase of 29,000

been a decrease of 62,100 unemployed persons over the year.

 The number of Texans continuing to seek unemployment insurance increased by 7,700 for an estimated 136,800 claimants. January showed the largest increase in claims since June 2012. This was the third consecutive month there has been an increase in the number of continued unemployment insurance claims. Over the year, Texas has shown a decrease of 9,600 claims. Within the Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), 19 areas experienced an increase in unemployment claim activity, while six areas declined.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE STATE

Amazon Announces Texas Job Locations

AUSTIN, TX (Austin American-Statesman-Barry Harrell)-Nine months after it struck a deal with the state to bring thousands of jobs and invest millions of dollars in Texas, online retail giant Amazon.com unveiled the first steps toward keeping its end of the bargain. It will build three fulfillment centers in Texas, creating about 1,000 jobs. The new facilities will include a 1.2-million-squarefoot site in Schertz, northeast of San Antonio; and two sites in the Dallas-Fort Worth area-a one-million-square-foot center in Coppell and a 1.1 -millionsquare-foot facility in Haslet.

The centers in Schertz and Coppell will handle the shipment of larger items, Amazon said. The Haslet center will ship smaller items like books, small electronics, or DVDs, the company said. "We look forward to ment centers in Schertz, Coppell, and Haslet," said Mike Roth, Amazon's vice president of North American fulfillment.

Call Center to Add 1,000 Jobs PHARR, TX (Harlingen Valley Morning Star)—Convergys plans to hire 1,000 new full-time cus-

tomer service representatives at its Pharr call center, nearly quadrupling the number of employees there. The call center company fields customer service calls for clients including DirecTV, Macy's, and Cigna, a health insurance company. "Our client has asked for more bodies in that call center," said Brook Beiting, the media relations specialist for Convergys.

The call center, located in the El Centro Mall at 500 N. Jackson Road, staffs workers 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It will not expand in size; instead they will add more seats to the existing building. Pharr City Manager Fred Sandoval says he learned last year that the company would likely be expanding, but he didn't expect such a large jump in hir-

Tenaris Building Steel Pipeline Factor

BAY CITY, TX (San Antonio Business Journal-James Aldridge)-Pipeline company Tenaris S.A. said the company will build a one-million-squarefoot steel pipe manufacturing factory in Matagorda County that will serve companies in the energy industry. Once the plant is completed, Tenaris will have the capability of producing 600,000 tons of pipe annually. The company will hire 600 people to work at the pipe mill.

The state kicked in \$6 million from the Texas Enterprise Fund to help lure the company to Bay City. Tenaris expects the total capital investment from the plant to be between \$1.3 billion and \$1.5 billion. Tenaris will sell pipe to companies that transport oil and gas. Governor Rick Perry said, "The most profound statement about our favorable economic climate comes when companies like Tenaris make an investment of this size in our state."

Officials OK Power Plant East of Harlingen

HARLINGEN, TX (Harlingen Valley Morning Star)—Federal putting more than 1,000 Tex- and state environmental offians to work at our new fulfill- cials have given approval for a 690-megawatt electric power plant to be built just east of Valley International Airport. Lag Paloma Energy Center will cost more than \$500 million and take about two and one-half years to build, a spokeswoman for Plano-based Coronado Power Ventures said.

Proper tree planting for Earth Day

Don't Bury Me: A hole dug too deep is a sure way to kill a tree. Earth Day and Arbor Day are coming soon - in April. Celebrate the wondrous benefits of trees and make a wise investment by planting a shade tree in your yard! But before you plant, take some advice from the experts to help your new tree live a long time. "Too often, consumers waste hundreds of dollars on trees that will die because they were planted too deep," cautions Tchukki Andersen, BCMA, CTSP* and staff arborist with the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA). "Proper planting is absolutely essential for the success of a transplanted tree," says Andersen. "Using quality plants and following up with good tree care practices, such as watering, pruning and fertilizing, will not save a poorly planted tree. The most common mistake is planting the root ball too deep," she says. Homeowners can purchase trees packaged in three common forms: •Bare-Root plants may be

sold with the roots tightly packed in a moisture-retaining medium that is wrapped with paper or plastic, or with roots loosely covered by a moist packing medium. Roots must be adequately moistened prior to planting. Roots are spread out evenly in the hole when

•Balled and Burlapped (B & B) trees are moved with a ball of soil protecting their root system. Soil balls are heavy, so professional arborists who have proper equipment should be hired to plant large trees. Smaller B & B trees should be carried with a hand under the ball. Carrying a B & B tree by the stem or branches can result in serious root damage. When planting, carefully remove the top layer of soil down to the first structural root. Set the root ball in the hole, position the tree, then remove twine and nails. Remove or fold back burlap from the upper third of the root ball.

•Container-Grown trees have the advantage of a root system that is relatively undisturbed at planting, but beware of "potbound" container trees. Do not buy container trees that have a large amount of roots completely circling the inside of the pot. These trees will take a long time to get established after planting because the roots have difficulty growing beyond the thick ring of circling roots. Immediately before planting container trees, prune the any circling roots. Root pruning can cut up to 50 percent of the roots in container trees but this is still sufficient to permit plant establishment. This compares with pruning about 10 percent or less of the root system being transplanted with B & B trees. Always remove the container prior to planting.

Andersen advises consumers to follow these planting

•Measure the height and diameter of the root ball or root

• Dig the hole just deep enough to allow the first structural root to be at level grade. The hole's diameter should be two to three times the diameter of the root ball or root spread.

•Set the tree on undisturbed solid ground in the center of the hole. The tree should be planted so that the root flare, the base of the tree trunk where the roots begin to "flare-out," is visible and above grade.

·Backfill with soil from the planting hole, using water to pack or settle the soil around the root ball. Do not tamp soil by stepping on it.

• Mulch the planting area with 2 to 4 inches of an organic mulch such as wood chips. Do not mulch up to or against the trunk. Start the mulch 6 inches away from the tree trunk.

•Trees should be pruned after planting to remove only broken, damaged, diseased or dead branches.

•Stake and/or protect the trunk of the tree if there is a real potential for wind damage or lawn mower injury. Remove the guy wires (string, rope, wire or other used with supports) when the staking is no longer needed or the tree could be injured or even killed from girdling by the wire.

planting, prune to develop a good branch structure once the tree has become

•One to three years after

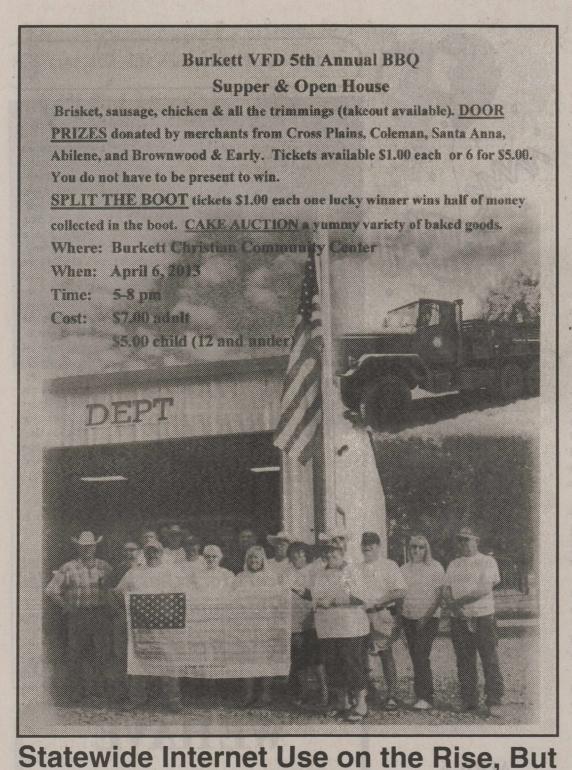
established in its new home. Never remove more than 25 percent of total foliage in one year. (Depending on the tree and its condition, some arborists advocate capping pruning at even a lower percentage).

·Fertilizing is not recommended at the time of planting.

What can you do? A professional arborist can assess your landscape and work with you to determine the best trees to plant. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA), a public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture since 1938. It has more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics and quality in business practices. An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies" program. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP Code search on www.treecaretips.org.

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31% of Residents Don't Subscribe

Austin, TX—Connected Texas today released new data on broadband adoption in Texas just as the state prepares for next month's digital inclusion conference at the University of Texas at Austin. The latest data shows broadband adoption is increasing, with 69% of residents now subscribing to broadband

"Texans are clearly moving toward embracing the amazing educational, professional, and 37% of Texas low-income housequality-of-life benefits that high- holds have broadband service speed Internet provides," said and only 56% of Hispanic adults rector Don Shirley. "But, while band, we saw a seven percentage point since 2011, the newest research shows us a digital divide is beginning to leave certain Texas populations behind. We're work- too expensive ing hard to address broadband access, adoption, and use across support of Connected Texas' the state so that every resident efforts to close the state's digital has the opportunity to access the limitless benefits that broadband provides."

interactive widget on the Connected Texas website.

Among the key findings of the residential survey are:

• Despite the numerous benefits of broadband, 31% of, or approximately 5.7 million, Texans still do not subscribe to home broadband service.

• There remains an adoption gap between rural and non-rural regions of the state as 58% of rural Texans subscribe to home broadband service, compared to the 69% state average.

• Despite the statewide growth

Connected Texas annual survey reveals 69% of residents now subscribing to broadband service, up from 62% in 2011

not all Texas residents are subscribing at the same rate. Only

increase in household adoption not subscribing to home broad-

• 15% say they don't want it • 13% say broadband fees are

This survey is conducted in gap and explores the barriers to adoption, rates of broadband adoption among various demo-The data are available via an graphics, and the types of activities broadband subscribers conduct online, among other

findinas While the results show adoption is increasing, there are still Internet access, adoption, and 5.7 million adults (31%) in Texas not connected to the empowering technology of high-speed state to work with all Texas divide, Connected Texas offers detailed maps of broadband the Every Community Online coverage and development of a program where it offers free digi-statewide plan for the deploytal literacy training and low-cost ment and adoption of broadcomputers and Internet access. band. For more information visit: Connected Texas is also co-host- http://www.connectedtx.org.

service, up from 62% in 2011. in home broadband adoption, ing the conference, Digital Inclusion in Texas, April 26-27, 2013, in Austin. Registration for the event is already underway.

> Connected Texas' 2012 residential survey was conducted last summer and includes re sponses from 1,202 residents. • The top reasons for Texans The survey was conducted as part of the State Broadband Initiative (SBI) grant program, funded by the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, and by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

About Connected Texas: Connected Texas is a subsidiary of Connected Nation and operates as a non-profit in the state of Texas. The Texas Department of Agriculture is leading the initiative to increase broadband use across the state. Connected Texas was commissioned by the Internet. To address this digital broadband providers to create

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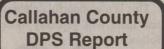
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is planning a Rock-a-Thon, May on wheel volunteer, Ophelia was juggle? 3, 2013. Everyone is welcome to aware of the renovations needed We are looking for entertainment bring a rocking chair, and join us on the Senior Center and funds for for the evening, so dust off that from 6:00 pm- Midnight as we day to day operations and was guitar, shine those dancing shoes

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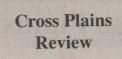
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New York lawyer visits Museum — Michael Bell, who now has a private law practice in New York, left his boyhood home in McAllen and headed to Columbia University immediately after high school graduation. Recently visiting family in McAllen, he decided a "side trip" to Cross Plains was in order to see where one of his favorite writers had lived.

Bell has collected Conan comic books since Roy Thomas was publishing them in the 1980's. He stated that he owned all of the series of Del Rey books which have been published in the past few years. He especially likes the western stories with the many characters Robert created. He said he would really like to have a copy of "Gent From Bear Creek."

He was really impressed with the restored home and the original Howard things on display. He purchased some t-shirts and other items from the gift shop as well as making a nice donation to be used toward the continuing upkeep of the Museum.



Swedish visitors explore kitchen in Howard Museum — Swedish visitors above (left, Pontus Hammarberg, Markus Toivonen and Tobias Mollstam), were fascinated with the old gas stove in the Museum and just had to check out the oven to see if it would hold a turkey! Decided that a small cake might better fit.

The trio were driving from Austin to San Francisco for a computer game conference. All of them are involved in developing games; their most popular game being "Mind Craft." Markus is also a graphic artist, doing a variety of illustrations for the computer industry. Interestingly enough, Pontus is a former medical doctor; leaving that profession for the more relaxing career of developing computer

Markus was the Howard fan of the trio, although the others were interested in the museum as such. Markus has read most of Howard's numerous genres, having come into his writings through the Conan paperbacks with the Frank Frazetta covers that were so popular, and now quite valuable and sought after.

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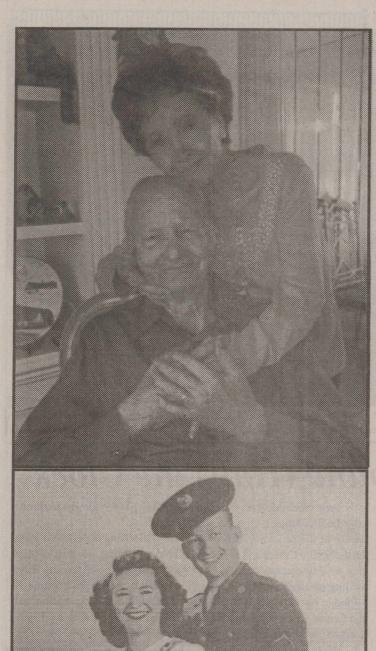
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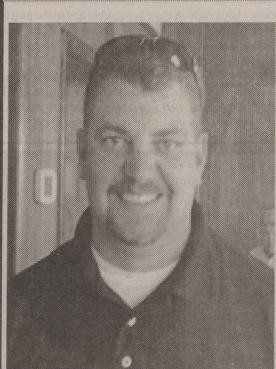
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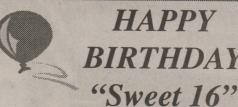
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