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Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Honors Citizen of the Month

tions there always seem to be one town and a comprehensive and person, one humble individual, ongoing renovation of all of the who is the catalyst, brings the baseball and softball fields team together, has a vision and including covers for the dugouts, drives toward accomplishing that sprinkler systems on two fields, vision. Without this person, goals grassing the high school field and would not be established the infield of the little league or achieved, missions not baseball field, painting bleachers accomplished, the team would and buildings, adding and struggle and stagnate. Thank improving batting cages and goodness Cross Plains Youth fences, a complete renovation of Sports (CPYS) has Scott Byrd as the old softball field at the city

to his family ranch in Cross Cut the softball field enabling night nearly twenty years ago. They have three children: Mackenzie, Paxton and Wade. Scott works has raised over \$140,000 over the for the Housley Group and is a years due to the generosity of the cattle rancher, but in his spare time he volunteers countless is quick to point out that there are hours for the youth of Cross many others who deserve much Plains through Cross Plains Youth of the credit for donating the Sports and volunteers time funds and supporting these goals. and labor for several other He credits the City of Cross Plains organizations as well. Over the and Debbie Gosnell, Cross Plains years he has also coached many ISD's Phil Mitchell and its school teams including baseball, softball, football and basketball.

up his third term. include, but are not limited to, youth.

In most productive organiza- bringing little league football to park, lights on the t-ball field, and Scott and his wife Keeka moved most recently installing lights on games and practices.

To accomplish his goals Scott good people of Cross Plains. He board members, and the Cross Plains Economic Development The presidential position is an Committee and its board elected position and is a 3 year members. Two additional key term. Scott is currently wrapping benefactors are Mark Norris and The Ken Horan.

organization's achievements The future of Cross Plains looks during this leadership tenure much brighter due to Scott Byrd's have been vast. His achievements undying selfless service to its

MEET the AUTHOR **Features** Carlton Stowers at **Next Event**

Author and Journalist Carlton Stowers will be the guest at the Cross Plains Public Library's "Meet The Author" series to be held on Monday, August 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Conference Room.

Stowers' books include bestsellers "To the Last Breath" and "Careless Whispers" - both winners of the Mystery Writers of America's Edgar Allan Poe Award as the Best Fact Crime Book of the Year. Stowers' books have been selections of many guilds and five have been optioned by motion picture production companies. "Careless Whispers" inspired the CBS Movie of the Week, Sworn to Vengeance, and "Open Secrets" was the basis for the ABC mini-series, Telling Secrets.

Additionally, he has authored a number of books on other topics, ranging from sports, to a history

of the Dallas Police Department, to children's non-fiction on anti-drug use and anti-bullying.

Recently the 57 year old author has focused much of his attention on books that examine the cause and effect of crime in America. The Houston Press has called Stowers' "the dean of Texas true crime writers," and famed novelist Jonathan Kellerman notes that "when the dust clears, a handful of writers will be recognized as masters of the true crime book. And Carlton Stowers will be at the head of that class.

So, please join us for what will be an entertaining evening on Monday, August 26th at 7:00 p.m. Stowers will be available to autograph copies of his latest books following the presentation. Light refreshments will be served.

Michelle Kaiser



PICTURED ABOVE IS DPS CAPTAIN DOUG FARBER (LEFT) PRESENTING A TEXAS SHAPED SERVICE AWARD TO SENIOR DPS TROOPER PHILLIP (SPARKY) DEAN (RIGHT) DURING DEAN'S RETIREMENT PARTY.

Senior DPS Trooper Phillip (Sparky) Dean retires from DPS to be PCT. 1 JP

Longtime Callahan County Trooper. and I felt I could make a southern part of the county. office in Smith County and heart.

Safety academy.'

"Upon completion of the listen. Submitted by academy, I was assigned to Today I have nineteen counties position at that time.

(Sparky) Dean tells his story being partnered with some of What a ride it has been! I feel Jacksonville, Texas when I felt Mays and Bill Russell in the more so, having worked in this the call to be a police officer. A northern part of Callahan part of Texas my entire career friend of mine had been killed by County, Don Gosnell, Jim Cook God is GOOD! a drunk driver in Jones County, and a few others were in the Senior Trooper Phillip

hiring. So I drove to the DPS have a very special place in my 1978.

I opted for the DPS and on Service. In September of that 2013. December 07, 1977 I arrived in year I went from working one Dean will fill the rest of Austin, Texas to begin the very county (Callahan) to caring for Deatherage's unserved term. rugged Department of Public twelve, presenting safety Dean's JP term will expire in

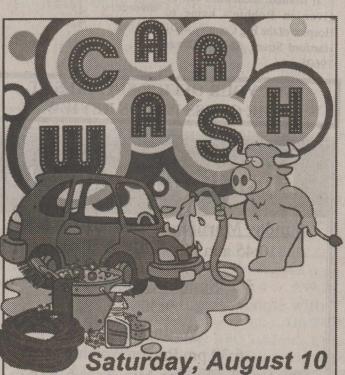
Callahan County. April 07, that are assigned to me. Friday, "I'm looking forward to making 1978 was my first day on the job August 2nd at 5:00 P.M., I new friends, while hanging on to as a Texas Highway Patrol retired from the DPS with thirty- the old ones," he said.

five years, seven months and Senior DPS Trooper Phillip I had the very good fortune of twenty-six days of service. this way, saying, in 1977, I was the greatest men on the face of extremely blessed to have serving as a youth minister in this earth. David Parkhill, David worked with a great agency, but

difference. I applied with the The citizens of Callahan retirement from the DPS on Tyler Police Department. Then County took me and my family Wednesday afternoon, July 31, before leaving Tyler to head in and quickly made us feel at 2013, saying goodbye to back to Jacksonville, I heard on home. Those wonderful folks friends, colleagues and the the radio that the DPS was have always had and always will agency he has worked for since

Dean will shift into the Precinct applied with them also. Several In 1993, Safety Trooper 1, Place 2 justice of the peace days later both agencies called Wendell Rheem retired and I position left open, when A.L. to tell me I had been accepted. applied for the Safety Education Deatherage retired on June 20,

> programs to anyone who would December 2014 and he has said he will run for election to that



11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Behind the playground on Main Street

The Cross Plains Atheltic Boosters are sponsoring a car wash by our high school athletes. Come get your car washed, make a donation and support our boys and girls. These are great kids representing our town. Let's turn out in big numbers to show our student athletes how much we appreciate their spirit and dedication.



Texas Sales Tax Holiday is Friday, Saturday & Sunday

they can save money on certain items priced under \$100 during the state's annual sales tax holiday. This year, the sales tax 9th through 11th.

The law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under earned money." \$100 from sales tax, which could

AUSTIN—Texas Comptroller save shoppers about \$8 on ev-Susan Combs reminds shoppers ery \$100 they spend during the weekend.

"Texas families can take advantage of the sales tax holiday when doing their back-to-school holiday is scheduled for Friday, shopping," Combs said. "The Saturday and Sunday, August tax holiday applies to a variety of items ranging from pens to jeans to help shoppers around Texas save some of their hard

Lists of apparel and school

supplies that may be purchased tax free can be found on the Comptroller's website at www.TexasTaxHoliday.org.

This year, shoppers will save an estimated \$74.1 million in state and local sales taxes during the Sales Tax Holiday.

The dates for the tax holiday weekend are established by the Legislature in the state tax code. The sales tax holiday has been an annual event since 1999.



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

Pastor Max Evans

For Information Call (254) 725-7418

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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

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

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CROSS PLAINS CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Ladies Class - Wednesday: 10:00A.M. (at the church activity center on East Hwy 36)

Office: (254-725-6117) Cell Phone: Rick - (918) 348-6859



Dana Rex Priddy

Rex, age 52, of Coleman, Texas passed from this life on Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at 11:10 p.m. at the Coleman County Medical Center.

Rex was born June 10, 1961 to James Earl Priddy and the late Wilma Jean Smith Priddy in Farmington, New Mexico. He was raised in Coleman where he graduated from Coleman High School in 1980. Rex was a lifetime resident of the Coleman and Burkett area, he was a member of the local Baptist Church. Rex had a love of the land and livestock and he was a true cowboy.

He is survived by his father and stepmother, James and Sandra Priddy of Coleman; brother, Don and wife Cindy Priddy of Brownwood; sister, Jan Holloway of Coleman; a daughter, Dana Michelle Priddy of Talpa, TX and a son, Levi and wife Jennifer Priddy of Midland, TX.

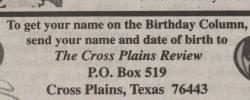
He is also survived by a longtime friend and former wife, Tami Strickland of Burkett, a stepdaughter, Angel Mangrum of Burkett and a stepson, Morgan Robertson of College Station.

He is survived by six grandsons, Preston Priddy of Belton, TX, Nate Sherman of Midland, Zac and Marc Priddy of Midland, Dorian Erkenbrack of Talpa and Phynxx "Pedro" Robertson of Bastrap, TX; two granddaughters, Jordon Priddy of Midland and Mally Rose Erkenbrack of Talpa; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Rex is preceded in death by his mother, Wilma Jean Priddy and a brother, James O. "Sonny"



donor's charity of choice.



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

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Faith Apostolic Church

Prayer for Vigil John 8:32

"And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free"

> 16075 County Road 459 **Cross Plains** Pastor Len Smith For information call 325-206-0277

Call For Prayer Anytime!

Lillian Champion

Latimer

Patsy Wilene Pittman

passed away Sunday, July 28,

2013 at Southwest Medical

Center in Oklahoma City, OK. Funeral services were held at 2:00

p.m. Thursday, August 1, 2013 at

Higginbotham Funeral Chapel in

Cross Plains with Jackie Barnett

officiating. Burial followed in the

Patsy was born on April 23,

1932 to Elmer Edward and Naomi

Callie (Harrison) Mason in

Wright City, Texas. She married

Harold Dean Pittman in Odessa

on July 6, 1949; he preceded her

Survivors include her two sons,

Gaylin Pittman and Keith

Pittman, both of Oklahoma City,

OK; sisters, Doris Weaver and

husband Joe of Midland and

Charlotte Williams and husband

Gene of Fort Worth; a brother

Ronald Mason and wife Jan of

Tyler, seven grandchildren, four

great-grandchildren and one

Bobbie Farrington

Meinzer

longtime resident of Knox City,

Texas, passed away with her

family by her side, Thursday

afternoon, July 25, 2013 at

Stamford Memorial Hospital in

Stamford. Funeral services were

held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, July

27, 2013 at the First Baptist

Church in Knox City with Rev.

Paul Chambers officiating.

service, at the funeral home.

Burial took place after the service

at the Benjamin Cemetery under

One of 5 girls, Bobbie Floyd

was born September 7, 1924 in

forty-two and she was a member

She is preceded in death by her

husband, Doug Meinzer; 4 sisters, Irene Floyd, Leta Stubblefield,

Ora Lee Hutchinson, Willie Joy

Hediger; and her beloved pet, Bo.

daughters, Judy Logsdon of

Scott Skiles of Abilene, Tom

Skiles of Cisco, Riley Meinzer

Ariel Smoot of Cross Plains, and

Stormy Farmer and husband

Tyson of Cisco; and 1 great-great

grandson, Stayden Harrison of

Bobbie is survived by her

of the First Baptist Church.

Funeral Homes.

Bobbie Farrington Meinzer,

great-great-grandchild.

Blake Cemetery.

in death in 2009.

Patsy Wilene Pittman, age 81,

Lillian Chamion Latimer, age 96, of Abilene, exas and former Novice and Coleman resident, died Friday, July 26, 2013 at an Abilene nursing home. Graveside funeral services were held on Monday, July 29, 2013 at the Coleman Cemetery Pavillion with Bob Martin, minister at Elm Street Church of Christ in Coleman, officiating. Interment followed at the Coleman City Cemetery under the direction of

Stevens Funeral Home, 400 W.

Pecan Street, Coleman, Texas. She was born Minnie Lillian Breeding on January 22, 1917 in Oplin, Texas, a daughter of Tommy Breeding and Delphia Clements Breeding. She grew up in Oplin and graduated from Oplin High School in 1934. In 1938 she married James Archie Champion and he preceded her in death on January 22, 1969. In 1972 she married Virgil Latimer in Coleman and they were married for 13 years, whe he preceded her in death. Lillian lived in many places in Texas including Cross Plains, Cottonwood, Silver Valley, Novice, Coleman, Lake Brownwood, Bangs and finally Abilene, where she lived for over 20 years. While living in Coleman, she was a sales clerk for J.E. Stevens Company. She was a member of the Novice Church of Christ. She loved to travel and had visited most of the 50 states. She also enjoyed quilting and Visitation was held prior to the made many beautiful quilts for her family.

She is survived by her daughter, Gail Agnew and the direction of Smith Family husband Marvin of Belton, their daughter Cinci Mitchell and husband Jimmie of Beeville, and their children Cass and Clanci Mitchell; Gail's son, Murray Agnew and wife Brandy and their children Colton and Charley Agnew all of Groesbeck; Lillian's son, Tommie Weldon Champion and wife Shirley, and their daughter Melissa Fisher and husband Michael all of Abilene; one brother, Vernon (Bud) Breeding and wife Billie of New Braunfels.

She is preceded in death by two brothers, Raymond and Clarence; and three sisters, Myrtle, Eva and

Memorials may be made to

Cisco; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. given in Bobbie's name to Hospice of the Big Country, 4601 Hartford Street, Abilene, Texas

79605.

Courthouse News

Callahan County Court Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Kristalinda A. Hook, theft by check.

Boi Hei, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Burney C. Acton, Ct. I criminal trespass, Ct. II resisting arrest. Toby Trinidad, DWI.

Ricky G. Vicars, DWI. Jimmy Don McNiel, assault.

Misdemeanor Minutes James N. Newbury, III, plea of

guilty to DWI, 30 days in jail, \$424 court costs. Gregory G. Brown, order

releasing cash bond. Gregory G. Brown, order on motion to revoke dismissed.

Christopher Donell Hines, motion to withdraw as surety granted.

Darell L. Sasser, plea of guilty to theft by check, 60 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$314 court

Angela L. Noble, plea of guilty to theft, 2 year probation, \$250 fine, \$264 court costs.

Jeff L. Yates, order on motion to revoke granted. Victoria E. Hindman, order

amending conditions of probation granted. Jose A. Salcedo, Jr., plea of

guilty to DWI, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$424 court costs. Rhonda R. Dunklin, plea of guilty to DWI, 6 month probation, \$500 fine, \$424

Rhonda R. Dunklin, order releasing cash bond. Marie V. Mendez, plea of guilty to assault, 15 days in jail,

court costs.

\$264 court costs. Luna Luis, plea of guilty to assault, 10 days in jail, \$264 court costs.

Jessica R. Martinez, plea of guilty to DWI, 30 days in jail, \$424 court costs.

Munday, Texas to Lewis Casey Lionel Saldana, plea of guilty and Agnes (Bell) Floyd. She to theft, 10 days in jail, \$100 married Doug Meinzer December fine, \$264 court costs. 6, 1945 in Haskell. Mrs. Meinzer Cheryl A. Salazar, plea of enjoyed playing buttons and

guilty to theft by check, 2 year probation, \$314 court costs. Cheryl A. Salazar, order amending conditions of parents, Lewis and Agnes Floyd; probation granted.

Angela L. Noble, plea of guilty to furnishing alcohol to a minor, 2 year probation, \$500 fine, \$264 court costs.

Angela L. Noble, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Cisco, Penny Baker and husband Dustin B. Johnson, motion to Floyd of Haskell; son, Tyke dismiss to hunting from aircraft Meinzer and wife Gina of without a permit granted for Haskell; granddaughter, Kristi insufficient evidence. Harrison of Cisco; grandsons,

Marriage Licenses

and Dalton Meinzer of Haskell; Timothy M. Douglas and 2 great grandsons, Chris Johnson Amber L. Tinsley, both of Skiles of Clyde, and Justin Clyde. Harrison and wife Chelsea of

Rusty T. Warner and Suzanne Cisco; 2 great granddaughters; M. Harden, both of Baird.

> **42nd District Court** John Weeks, presiding

> > Civil Filings

Courtney Diane Shults and If desired, memorials can be Kenneth William Shults,

GET YOUR OFFICE SUPPLIES AT THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

First Baptist Church

Sunday Morning 10:45 a.m.

Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School 9:30

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship Student & Children Ministries 6:30 p.m.

Ronnie B. White, Pastor TimTolosa, Worship/Discipleship **Jared Huntley/Students**

(254) 725-7629 301 N. Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443 www.firstbaptistcp.com

Cottonwood News

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group and the Cross Roy, Kathleen, Jim, Dennis, Allen, Roy Boyd, David Estes, Plains Volunteer Fire Department were both kept busy this past weekend fighting a brush fire off FM 880. Both departments had firefighters and equipment out at the fire for long hours on Saturday and Sunday. Fire Chief Joe reports that damage was done to one truck while it was pushing down trees and brush to make a path for the other trucks to get to burn. Be sure you have taken Coleman, but had one time lived the fire. Joe estimates that CVFC spent abut \$500 in gas and diesel fighting the fire.

Cross Plains VFD also had some damage to their trucks. If you had been thinking about making a donation to help your local firefighters, this would be a good dark. Those phone number you'll time. Both departments can use need: and will appreciate your donation.

Thanks to Tim and Denise Coulter for bringing Subway sandwiches out to the fire for the firemen on Sunday. It was really appreciated. Also, thank you to the folks who brought water out to the firemen.

We're proud of Fire Chief Joe, from the Cottonwood area wee

planning a control burn, be sure music in Cottonwood recently. that you have let the Sheriff's attention to the elements. If it's

> Sheriff's Depart. 325-854-1444 Fire Chief Joe 254-725-7281.

The Cross Plains Kiwanis Club built a ramp on Saturday morning at Teri and Gilbert's house in Cross Plains. Many men for their help last week.

Donnie, Omer, Norma, Adrian, there to do the work: Adrian Deana and the other firemen for Bob Ossowski and Arnie Smith, fighting this fire in 100 degree as well as other Kiwanis members. Thanks guys. They While taking about the fire, we'd really appreciate it.

like to mention that the burn ban Johnny and Carlene Howard of is currently off. If you are Cross Plains enjoyed country

Lillian Breeding Champion Department and your local fire Latimer, age 96, passed away last chief know that you are going to week. She lived in Novice and every precaution and have plowed in the Cottonwood and Cross around your burn piles. Also, pay Plains areas. She was the daughter of Tommy Breeding and windy, you probably want to do Delphia Clements Breeding. She your control burn on another day. married James Archie Champion Remember, too, even if the burn who died in 1969, and Virgil ban is off, you cannot burn after Latimer who died in 1972. She was a sister to Vernon Bud Breeding of New Braunfels; and to Raymond, Clarence, Myrtle, Eva and Veda, who had all passed away. Our prayers go out to her children, Gail Agnew and Tommie Weldon Champion and their families.

Thanks to Russ and Diana Miller

21st Annual **Mesquite Show** Returning to Fredericksburg October 11, 12 and 13th Check it Out!!!

The 2013 Texas Mesquite Arts

Festival returns Fredericksburg, Texas on October 11,12 and 13. Juried artists from around Texas and beyond will gather in Fredericksburg's Marketplace for a three-day celebration of the exquisite and attractive mesquite.

"Besides seeing the absolute best selection of mesquite, visitors will enjoy the largest mesquite show in the world," show organizer Al Carr said.

Once viewed as a nuisance, mesquite had become the darling of architects and retailers. "Architects now vie to install mesquite accents in upscale homes," Carr said. Mantles, doors, flooring, art items, dining sets, tables and other furniture are increasingly requested in mesquite. Prices for raw wood as well as finished pieces have soared.

The Texas Mesquite Arts Festival is free and open to the public. Hours are Friday noon to 6:00 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sunday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Items are available for purchase, with food and drinks sold on the grounds. Free parking surrounds Market Square in downtown Fredericksburg. This event has become one of the top events in Fredericksburg. Organizers expect over 10,000 visitors over the weekend. More information is available at www.texasmesquiteartfestival.com, or by calling the Fest Office at 830-997-8515. Please be sure to connect with us on Facebook.

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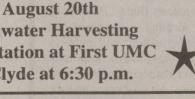


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Sandwiches -- (brisket/sausage/chicken)......Sm. or Lg..........\$4.00 & \$5.00 Turkey Legs......\$6.00 Chips (Lay's or Cheeto's).....\$1.00 Tea & Sodas(coke, diet coke, dr. pepper, diet dr.pepper, pepsi, diet pepsi or sprite)..\$1.79 Peach Cobbler...... 4 oz. \$.99..... pint \$5.00

Plates: (All plates come with 2 Sides) #1..(1) Meat (1/2 lb)...\$8.99 #2..(2) Meat (3/4 lb)...\$10.99 #3..(3) Meat (1 lb)...\$12.99 Combo Meal #1 - Large BBQ Sandwich, Chips, Drink.....\$6.50

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By The Pound Brisket......\$9.00 lb Sausage (Hot/Mild).....\$9.00 lb Ribs.....\$9.00 lb Chicken Breast.....\$5.50 lb

Sides Potato Salad, Beans & Cornbread, Coleslaw Single Serving......\$.99 1/2 Pint.....\$2.00

Condiments Pickles, Onions, Jalapenos, BBQ Sauce, Hot-N-Spicy Sauce and Mustard

(Tax Not Included)

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Library Hours Monday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Tuesday 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Wednesday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Thursday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. **CLOSED FRIDAY**

July 29 - August 1, 2013

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CASH - CHECK - CREDIT CARD

Senior Citizens CenterActivities

AUGUST 12-16, 2013

Monday, 12th - Excercise 11:00



Tuesday, 13th - Excercise 11:00/BINGO 11:15 Wednesday, 14th - Excercise 11:00/Blood

Pressure Check Girling

Thursday, 15th- Excercise 11:00

Friday, 16th - Manicures IntegraCare/Excercise 11:00

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

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AUGUST 12-16, 2013

Monday - Hamburger Steak/ Potatoes and Gravy/Spinach/ Bread/Dessert/Drink

Tuesday - Chicken Pot Pie/ (vegetable in entree')/Steamed Squash/Tom/Cucumber Salad/ Dessert/Drink

Wednesday -Soft Tacos/(lett/ tom/cheese)/Spanish Rice/Pinto Beans/Dessert/Drink

Thursday - Steak Fingers/ Potatoes and Gravy/Black-Eyed Peas/Bread/Dessert/Drink Friday -Chicken Salad Sandwich/(lett/tom in entree')/ Pickle Slices/Chips/Dessert/



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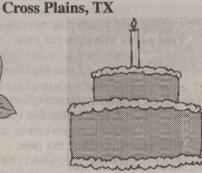
Clinic Hours: Monday 5-8pm- Thursday 1-7pm-Saturday - By Appointment only.

You are invited to a 90th Birthday Party for our "Yellow Rose of Texas"

ALICE ROBY

Saturday, August 17th 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. at the home of Cliff & Connie Kirkham 20235 FM 2707





*** Your presence is gift enough, but cards would be lovely! *** If you would like to commemorate Alice's birthday, please bring 90 pennies.

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(the clothes closet)

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2013-2014 **SCHOOL YEAR**

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4th Grade — Kelli Hyles and Patricia Cook 5th Grade — Nora Odom and Karri Shepard 6th Grade — Casie Morgan and Vickie Walker GT/3rd Grade Science — Becky Dillard Special Ed — Pat Stephens and Dixie Lewis

Dyslexia — Karen Richey PE — Daniel Kelley and JoJo Morgan

Band/Music — Matt Sowell Aide — Debra Childers, Brenda Montgomery, Beverly Pope and Tiffani Parker

Principal — Jeremy Williams Secretary — Amber Kleiber

Custodian — Verna Mathews and Mark Kelley

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Immunization Clinics Scheduled in Callahan County

Texas Department of State Health Services will be holding Immunization Clinics in Callahan County as follows:

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

Tuesday, August 6th **Clyde First Baptist Church** 216 Austin 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1:30 -3:00 p.m.

For your convenience, please call for appointment, if no answer please leave a message so they can return your call.

Please bring your child's immunization records. If your child has Medicaid, please bring their card.

For more information call 325-754-4945.

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Mrs. Atchley's **Supply List** (English I & II)

1- Composition notebook or

2- Folders with brads, any colors. Plenty of notebook paper.

2- #2 pencils

2- black or blue ink pens

1- red ink pen

1- large pink eraser, highlighters, any colors

1- box colored pencils

The Cross Plains Library's Popcorn, the traditonal snack for 2013 Summer Reading Program movie watching, was served to Dig Into Reading concluded last all attendees. Everyone received week. Miss Sue's Little a free copy of the book funded by

monster lollypops. Miss Sue Archives Commission. to take home.

Readers enjoyed stories about the U.S. Institute of Museum and friendly monsters while they Library Services through a grant snacked on specially made to the Texas State Library and

Summer Reading

Program 2013

Nothin Like a Good Book — Miss Sue reading about friendly Monsters.

Little Reader's — Part of the group who attended the Book to Movie.

Kids of all ages gathered for a programs for the children in our outstanding Book to Movie featuring the community. Miss Sue's Little book Bridge to Terabithia. Readers averaged twenty-one

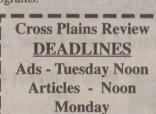
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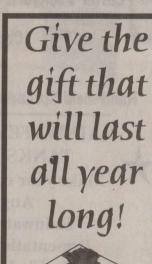
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Thank you Miss Sue for your talent of making reading and learning so much fun, thanks to our parents and grandparents who made the effort to get the children also had them dancing to the We are grateful for all the to the library, thank you lively Monster Mash song. attendance and participation in volunteers who assisted in Their craft for the day was our programming this summer. making everything run so making their own little monsters We presented eight weeks of fun, smoothly, and a big thank you to interesting, and educational the wonderful presenters of the educational







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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School School Improvement District will be held on August 8, 2013, 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:

REGULAR MEETING August 8, 2013 (8:00 p.m.)

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1. Open Forum

2. New Business

A. Approve Minutes from

Previous Meeting

B. Review Bills/Finance Report

C. Propose a Tax Rate for Both Maintenance and Operation AND Interest and Sinking for the 2013-14 School Year to be Published in the Cross Plains Review on Wednesday, August 14

D. Consider a Date to Adopt the 2013-14 Budget and Set Both the Maintenance and Operations on Thursday, August 8, 2013 AND the Interest Sinking Tax Rates - Wednesday, August 28th meeting will take place in the at 8:00 p.m.

3. Superintendent's Report A. Review 2013- 14 Budget be conducted.

B. Discuss Track Renovation

C. ITEACH Texas

D. Brainstorm Ideas for

4. Adjourn

If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will convene in such closed meeting in accordance with the Open Meeting Act, Chapter 551, Government Code. Before any such meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meeting Act on August 5, 2013, at 3:00 p.m.

The Cross Plains ISD Board of Trustees will be in Tier 2 training (Board/Superintendent Training) beginning at 6:00 p.m. The Board Room at Cross Plains High School. No official business will

> Phil Mitchell For the Board of Trustees

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This notice concerns 2013 property tax rates for CITY OF CROSS PLAINS. 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. Last year's tax rate:

2013 Property Tax Rates

in City of Cross Plains

	Last year's operating taxes	\$ 64,018
	Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0
	Last year's total taxes	\$ 64,018
	Last year's tax base	\$ 18,630,193
	Last year's total tax rate (per \$100)	\$ 0.343625/\$100
Th	is year's effective tax rate:	
	Last year's adjusted taxes	\$ 64,018
	(after subtracting taxes on lost property)	
+	This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 19,967,590
	(after subtracting value of new property)	
=	This year's effective tax rate (per \$100)	\$ 0.320609/\$100
	(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and ho	
Th	is year's rollback tax rate:	
	Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$64,018
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This year's adjusted tax base \$ 19,967,590 \$ 0.320609/\$100 This year's effective operating rate 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate \$ 0.346257/\$100 This year's debt rate \$ 0/\$100 This year's rollback rate \$ 0.346257/\$100 Statement of Increase/Decrease

If CITY OF CROSS PLAINS adopts a 2013 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.320609 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2012 taxes by \$0.

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** \$0.00

Schedule B: 2013 Debt Service

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

cable).				
***	Principal or	Interest to be	A control de la control de	
	Contract Payment	Paid from	Other	
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of Debt	Property Taxes	Taxes	to be Paid	Paymen
	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total required for	or 2013 debt service			\$0
) paid from funds listed i	in Schedule A		\$0
	paid from other resource			\$0
- Excess collecti				\$0
	d from taxes in 2013			\$0
	d in anticipation that the	unit will		
	0% of its taxes in 2013			\$0
= Total debt levy				\$0
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inspect a copy of the full calculations at the central appraisal district offices, 100 West 4th St., Suite

Name of person preparing this notice: Tammy T. Walker, Fitle: Chief Appraiser, Central Appraisal District of Callahan County Date prepared: August 5, 2013

Cottonwood Country Musical Well Attended



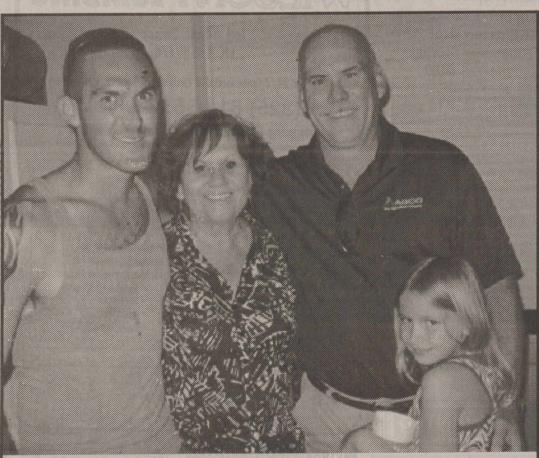
Some of our Great Cottonwood Country Musicians — Entertaining the crowd.



Longtime Musical Visitors from Clyde — Troy Franklin (from left), Anita and Kenneth McCoy and Sam Franklin.



Four Barbara — Barbara Wheat (from left), Barbara (Cookie) Robinson, Barbara Crudgington, and Barbara Allison



Visiting from Muleshoe — Josh Clark, (left), son of Gary, aunt Cookie Robinson (center), Gary Clark, son of Ned Clark and granddaughter Zoie Pierson.

The last Cottonwood Country Musical was another great one! The musicians, as usual, did a wonderful job of entertaining. There was a full house of people enjoying the music and the chopped brisket sandwich meal.

The regular musicians Art Crudgington, John Hullum, George Allison, Raymond Hart, R.D. and Sharon Childers, Chuck Patrick and John Hayes performed along with some

newcomers, Tim Webb, Eddie have them. Munn, Wesley Albright, Gary on the piano. It is such a treat the night.

when she can come entertain. are four women in attendance night, August 23rd. Come to they all four have brown eyes.

Many times out of town or out country music. of state visitors attend the musicals. We're always glad to

Frances Thornton visits with Thames and Arleta Dameron. everyone and takes pictures Arleta always does a good job which adds to the enjoyment of

The next Cottonwood Country At almost every musical there Musical is scheduled for Friday with the he name Barbara. And Cottonwood, Texas and enjoy a night of food, fun and good

> Submitted by **Cookie Robinson**

A week without advertising makes a business weak.

Friends of the NRA banquet will be held September 7th in Clyde

The first-ever fund-rasing banquet for the Callahan County Friends of the National Rifle Association will be held at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, located at 217 Oak Street in Clyde, on Saturday, September 7, 2013. The banquet will begin at 5:00 p.m., with the doors opening and the banquet should conclude around 9:00 p.m

The Little Pit restaurant in Clyde will cater this year's banquet.

The menu for the banquet will include: brisket, sausage and two vegetables, with tea or coffee and peach cobbler for des-

The banquet ticket price is \$25.00 per person. This year's banquet will be a non-alcohol event. Tickets for this year's banquet are available from any Callahan County Friends of the NRA member or can purchased at the Clyde Journal.

The Callahan County Friends of the NRA will also be selling tables at this year's banquet. The table prices include:

The Friends of the NRA is offering a Special Table package for the Callahan County Banquet. The Special Table for Eight is \$1,750, which includes a Colt AR-15 LE 6900 556 with a 16 inch barrel.

A Basic Table of Eight: \$200, will receive eight dinner tickets. The Bronze Table: \$750, will receive eight dinner tickets and

The Silver Table: \$1,500, will

receive eight dinner tickets and gun package.

The Gold Table: \$2,500, receives eight dinner tickets and your choice of one of two gun packages.

The Platinum Table: \$5,000, will receive eight dinner tickets and your choice of two gun pack-

Tickets can be purchased by either check, cash or credit card. Make checks payable to Callahan County Friends of the NRA. Tickets for this year's banquet can be purchased from Don Boles Insurance Agency in Clyde, Longacre Gun Shop located at 358 Chestnut in Abilene, Amy Day, Don Boles, Kevin Meir, Dennis Van Vleet, Charles Branton, or Mike and Lyn

Also, in conjunction with this year's banquet, the Callahan County Friends of the NRA are selling raffle tickets for a Colt LE6900 AR-15. Only 400 tick-

ets will be sold for this rifle. The drawing will be held at the Callahan County Friends of the NRA Banquet. You need not be present to win. Ticket prices are \$10.00 each. Pre-raffle tickets for the Colt LE6900 AR-15 can be purchased from any Friends of the NRA committee member or can be purchased at the Clyde Journal.

Proceeds from this raffle will benefit the West Texas Friends of the NRA and the NRA Foun-

Mike Walker and Reggie Pillans are co-chairmen of the committee which will be putting on this year's banquet. Michelle Ratliff is secretary of the committee. Lyn Walker is treasurer of the committee.

Jack Cannon, Senior Field Representative for the NRA said the Friends of the NRA is a grassroots offshoot for the NRA Foundation 501 C nonprofit organization. He said the NRA Foundation is a nonpolitical organization which has held some 1,100 fund-raising banquets nationwide over the last year. He said the Friends of the NRA donated over \$250,000 to support youth shooting sports, FFA organizations, 4-H shooting sports clubs, Boy Scouts, Junior ROTC, law enforcement organizations, as well as educational, historical, and gun safety course and more than 175 other programs.



Musicians and wives taking a break — Barbara and Art Crudgington (from left), and Barabara and George Allison



Serving up Brisket Sandwiches — Tom Bennet (left), and Bob Robinson. Photos submitted by Frances Thornton

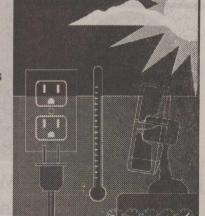


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- Only cool rooms that you use. Close vents and doors in unused rooms. Be sure to close
- Check your air-conditioning filter every month and replace as needed.
- Keep windows that let the sun in covered when the sun is shining on them.
- Weather strip and caulk around windows and doors to prevent drafts.
- Close your fireplace damper when the fireplace is not being used.
- Use fans to help circulate the air in your house.
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The Cross Plains Sub-Station for motor vehicle registrations and titles will no longer be able to provide full time service. The Callahan County Tax office in partnership with J.P Precinct #4 have, for many years, been able to share expenses and a clerk. These two offices have diligently worked together to provide these services to the community and surrounding area of Cross Plains. Changes in the motor vehicle operations, the lessened economy, higher operating costs and extremely low volume of Motor Vehicle work processed there, have forced this union to cease. Several years ago, the State made it mandatory to put the physical location of each vehicle on the registration records. By law, one is REOUIRED to register their vehicle in the county in which they live. Due to Cross Plains close proximity to the border of the county, many vehicle registrants that lived over the line, in adjoining counties, had a PO Box in Cross Plains and registered their vehicles in Callahan County. When Sunset Commission set on TXDOT, it removed the motor vehicle title and registration division and placed it under the Department of Public Safety. Some laws, that had been in place but not enforced, suddenly became enforceable and with added consequences for failure to comply. If a vehicle is found to have been registered in the wrong county, a fine \$250 plus court one of my deputies down to the

costs, may be passed against the vehicle owner and the County Tax Assessor-Collector. The vehicle owner would have to re-register in the proper county and could be passed with additional fees.

At one time, there were new vehicle and big truck dealerships in Cross Plains, along with several used dealers. The number of these businesses has dwindled over the years.

The lessened economy has lowered the number of vehicles sold or traded, and people

are hesitant to register any extra vehicles they may own until they need to operate them. The cost of running a business has risen sharply. Electricity, water, internet lines, phone lines, employee salary and benefits, bonds, equipment and supplies and other related costs are just too much when compared to the number of motor vehicle transactions presessed and revenue received, from the sub-station processes, on average, one title a day and five to seven registrations.

"It is a sad day for the office as a whole, for the community and for me." said the Callahan County Tax Assessor-Collector, Tammy T. Walker. "I had hoped the numbers would have reflected better news. I have always been proud to be able to work with the JP here and to carry on the tradition and provide the services we did. My plans for the Motor Vehicle portion, is to send

JP office one day a week, to perform the same motor vehicle transactions as before. My deputy will be here on Tuesdays from 9AM to noon and from 1PM until 3:30PM. These hours will provide time for the deputy to go to the main office to pick up the supplies needed in the morning and time to balance, make deposit and report back to the main station for further processing in the afternoon. As we go along, the day of the week or times available may change, but this is the plan for know. Also, as people have vacation or sick days, occasionally there may be times I may not be able to send a deputy on a Tuesday. We will try to advertise those dates, if we know ahead of time, in the paper and try to have notice on the door to the office. I thank the people of Cross Plains and surrounding area for their support of the office over the years and their patience now. Due to previous commitment, I will be available on or after August 13, 2013, if

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June Jobs Report Highlights the Success of the Texas Model

Texas, Where the Jobs Are

By Savannah Collins

The Bureau of Labor Statistics recently released its June jobs report and the new data held plenty of good news for Texans.

For June 2013, Texas employers added 5,800 net new jobs, bringing the state's year-overyear job creation total to over 300,000, the most of any state. What's more, Texas' job gains aren't limited to any one particular industry. The entire economy is growing.

Of the 11 major sectors of the Texas economy, each one has added to its workforce over last twelve months. From Manufacturing to Construction to Professional and Business Services, businesses of every stripe are

hungry for workers. As for Texas' unemployment rate, it held steady at 6.5 percent, more than a full percentage point below the current national average, 7.6 percent, and two full percentage points below that of its chief economic rival, California. Texas' relatively low unemployment rate for June makes this the 78th consecutive month that it's been at or below the national average.

All things considered, this latest jobs report gives a good illustration of why Texas is known as America's jobs juggernaut. But it also raises an important question, how is it that the Lone Star State is succeeding where so many others have failed?

The answer is rooted in public

For over a decade, state lawmakers have (to varying de- stated their intentions to bring grees) applied conservative their headquarters or major rethought and action to Texas' public policy prescriptions, making a conscious effort to keep taxes low and government restrained wherever possible. This governing approach dubbed the and business, Texas has proven Texas Model has had a profound impact on the direction of cause it has the right public policy the state, some of which can be outlook. seen in things like jobs, people, and investing.

of all net new jobs created nationally. That means that Texas, by itself, has single-handedly created almost one out of every three jobs in America.

people are flocking to Texas. From 2011 to 2012, eight of the prosperity. top fifteen fastest growing cities were in Texas, while no other

ing to Site Selection Magazine, in 2012 Texas completed 761 projects, Ohio completed 491 projects, Pennsylvania completed 430 projects, Michigan completed 337 projects, and Illinois completed 332 projects.

ing their capital here, they're may be reached also investing their future. A savannahcollins@texaspolicy.com.

whole slew of companies have either already relocated here or gional offices here to Texas, including such big names as Apple, Facebook, Google, and Software Advice.

When it comes to jobs, people, to be a winner. And that's be-

The Texas Model is successful because it brings together a cli-Consider that over the last ten mate of economic freedom and years, the Lone Star State has competitiveness, recognizes the been responsible for 30 percent value of keeping taxes low and government spending lower, and understands the value of a predictable regulatory environment. These are the mix of policies that inspire the entrepreneurial In terms of population growth, attitude, invite innovation, and serve as the proving ground for

As states around the nation continue to struggle with the state boasted more than one right approach to creating jobs city on the U.S. Census Bureau's and wealth, they need look no further than the Lone Star State Capital investments also seem and its Texas Model to get a to be flooding the state unlike sense of how to proceed. After elsewhere in the nation. Accord- all, as they say, "the proof is in the pudding."

Savannah Collins is a researcher for the Center for Fiscal Policy with the Texas Public Policy Foundation, a nonfrofit, free-market research in-Businesses aren't just invest- stute based in Austin. She

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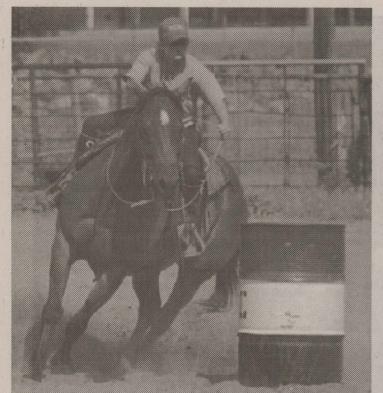




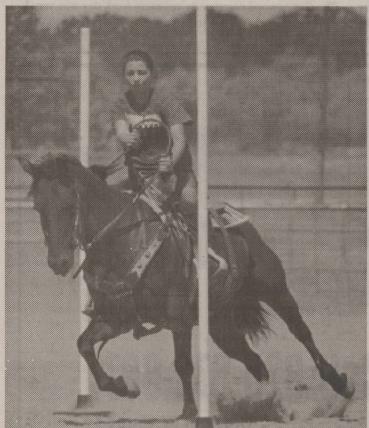
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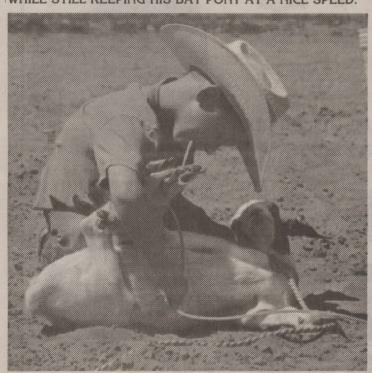
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Save the date! Saturday morning, August 10th, from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., the Big Country Master Gardener Association will present a seminar on fall vegetable gardening. The Taylor County A&M AgriLife Extension Office, 1982 Lytle Way, is the place you will want to be. If you are unfamiliar with the area, this is located on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center, across Loop 322 from the airport.

Whether you are a veggie gardener wannabe or you have tended your plot for years, come join us. There is no charge for this event.

First on the agenda will be Lowell Johnson. He will talk to you about having a home compost system that can help enrich your soil and save money at the same time. You might be surprised to find out how easy and fun composting can be.

John Kirk will finish up the seminar with great guidelines

for planting. You will learn which plants are the stars in the fall garden, how to know when to plant for a fall harvest, and where to locate your garden

John will offer some great tips on soil preparation, how to plant seeds and transplants, what to do about the inevitable weeds that are going to want to horn in on that nutrient-rich soil, and more.

Other master gardeners will be on hand to help you in any way we can. We will have a fresh pot of coffee and some snacks that you can enjoy before the seminar starts or during the break between sessions

Copies of the power points will be provided, with space for your notes. There will be time at the end of each presentation for questions. Cool air, warm hospitality, great speakers. Come on down!

For more information contact the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048.





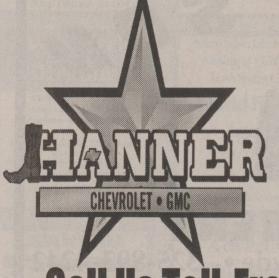
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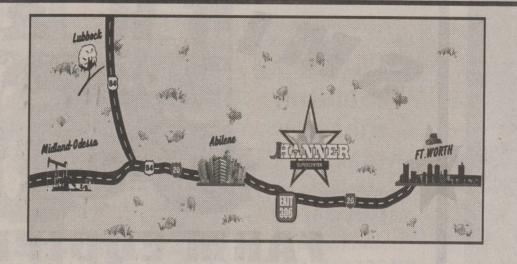
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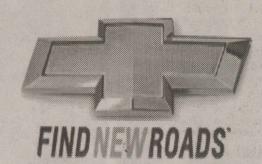
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Workday at Cottonwood Cemetery — The Cottonwood community cemetery work day was very productive. Everyone worked together to fill in numerous graves and straighten several headstones that the recent heavy rains had damaged.







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Commissioners set 2013 proposed tax rate

Callahan County Commissioners' approved a proposed tax rate for 2013 and set two public hearings to seek public input on the tax rate during the commissioners regular monthly meeting held Monday, August 5th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

made a motion to accept the proposed 2013 tax rate of \$0.478708 per \$100 of property value. The proposed tax rate will exceed the effective tax rate of \$0.443248 per \$100 of property value and is under the 2012 tax rate of \$0.48137 per \$100 of property value. Commissioner Cliff Kirkham seconded the motion. A record vote was taken with Judge Roger Corn, Commissioner Harold Hicks, Commissioner Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Tom Windham, and Commissioner Cliff Kirkham voting for the motion.

The proposed 2013 tax rate includes: \$0.336239 per \$100 of property value for the General Fund and \$0.142469 per \$100 of property value for the Road & Bridge Fund for a total tax rate of \$0.478708 per \$100 of property value.

Judge Corn made a motion to set two public hearings for citizen input on the proposed tax rate. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion mous 5-0 vote. carried with a 5-0 vote.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 13, 2013 through August 2, 2013 include:

Cases Investigated Warnings—162 Complaints—114 DWI-4

Driving While License Invalid-2 Possession of a Controlled

Substance—1 Public Intoxication—1 Fugitive Arrest—1

Vehicle Accidents There were six vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

The first public hearing is set for Monday, August 19th at 9:00 a.m. at the Commissioners' Courtroom at the County Courthouse in Baird. The second public hearing is set for Friday, August 23rd at 9:00 a.m., also at the Commissioners' Courtroom Commissioner Bryan Farmer at the County Courthouse in

> Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

-Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to order at 9:02 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 were Donna Bell, County Clerk, and County Treasurer Dianne Gunter.

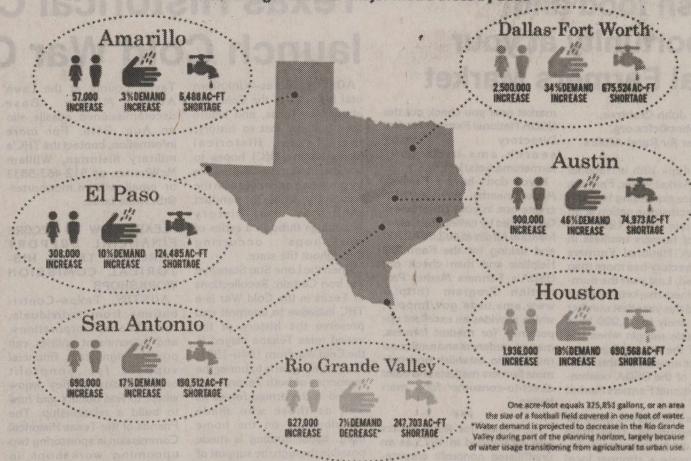
-Commissioner Hicks made a motion to accept the 2013 proposed County budget. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

-Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 9:33 a.m. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unani-



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Projected population growth, water demand and water shortages in Texas' major metro areas by 2030



More people, less water

What will Texas need to keep growing?

According to data the U.S. Census Bureau released in May 2013, Texas has eight of the country's top 15 fastest growing cities. In fact, no state other than Texas had more than one city on that list. And the population isn't only expanding in Houston, Dallas and San Antonio and Conroe are experiencing significant increases

We're fortunate that Texas cities are growing, but during a significant drought (like the one over 90% of the state is currently experiencing), one question comes to mind: How are we going to provide water for all those people?

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Every five years, the Texas around today's combined water steam-electric plants, the Re-Water Development Board compiles information from Texas' locally developed 16 regional water plans in developing the state water plan. Among its many purposes, the 2012 State Water Plan projects which areas have the greatest population cities like Midland, San Marcos growth and potential water shortages, and recommends strategies to meet water shortages.

In 2030, the Dallas-Fort Worth metro area's water shortages during a severe drought would be more than 10 times the amount of water the city of Lubbock currently uses in a year. The Rio Grande Valley's water shortage in 20 years would be

use for the cities of Irving, Ar- gion C planning area (which in-

grants and loans. servation. By the year 2060, about 34% of the volume of ing more effective conservation them survive and grow. It's im-

lington, Brownsville and El Paso. cludes Tarrant, Dallas Denton, How will we deal with these and nearby counties) will save shortages? One way is through almost 77,000 acre-feet per year water projects, such as those by 2020. This volume of water is TWDB assists with through larger than the storage capacity of Lake Alan Henry, a water Another way is through con- source for the City of Lubbock. With frequent drought, increasing population, growing demand water from recommended strat- and shrinking supply, Texas egies would come from conser- communities large and small will vation and reuse. Many com- need to develop and implement munities are already implement- water strategies that will help

measures, which can generate portant that all Texans take an substantial water savings. By active role in the management using measures such as low flow of our state's future resources. plumbing fixtures and efficient

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 -100.00 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

The first public hearing will be held on August 19, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at Callahan County Commissioner's Courtroom, 100 West 4th St., Suite 200, Baird, Texas 79504.

The second public hearing will be held on August 23, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at Callahan County Commissioner's Courtroom, 100 West 4th St., Suite 200, 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 Bryan Farmer Roger Corn

Tom Windham Cliff Kirkham

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: None

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in CALLA-HAN COUNTY last year was \$100,000. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.481370 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$481.37.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in CALLA-HAN COUNTY this year is \$100,000. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.443248 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$443.24.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.478708 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$478.71.

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

Texas' very own Royal Heir

By: U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

There has been much excitement across the pond as of late over the birth of England's newest heir to the throne. But did you know that Texas' very own royal bundle of joy has just arrived? Weighing in just shy of 2,000 pounds, the nation's First Bale of King Cotton for 2013 was delivered by the Rodriguez Brothers Farm in Santa Rosa, Texas, to the La Feria Co-op Gin at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, June 21, 2013. In the time since then, it has been cleaned up in the ginning process and is now ready for its proper debut at Harlingen's 2013 First Bale Auction and Scholarship

Fundraiser. The tradition of certifying the nation's First Bale of the year dates back to the 1800's when the grower of the First Bale was required to transport the cotton to the Houston Cotton Exchange for certification. After verifying its status as the first bale of cotton to be harvested that year in the United States, the Exchange would put the bale up for auction. This process continued, uninterrupted, for many years until 1953, when the Harlingen Cotton Committee successfully petitioned the Houston Cotton Exchange for the rights to auction the First Bale. As a result of this hallmark agreement, for the past 60 years the Harlingen Cotton Committee of the Harlingen Area Chamber of Commerce has been solely responsible for certifying the nation's First

Bale of cotton each year. And for each of those 60 years, the First Bale has been grown in the fertile Rio Grande Valley. Every summer, a celebration

is held in honor of the achievement, called the First Bale Auction and Scholarship Fundraiser. The event is hosted by the Harlingen Cotton Committee in conjunction with the Algodon Club, a nonprofit, civic organization formed in 1953 that works to showcase the importance of cotton to the Rio Grande Valley economy. This year's event, held on the evening of Thursday, August 8th, will mark the 60th Anniversary. Hundreds of elected officials, agribusiness leaders, and residents from across the region are expected to attend.

The First Bale will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. In recent years, the 500-600-pound bundle of ginned cotton has fetched between \$8,000 and \$9,000, but organizers are hopeful that the 60th Anniversary Bale will set a record. The first \$3000 of the auction price historically goes to the farmer that brought in the bale, and any excess monies are used by the Harlingen Cotton Committee to fund collegiate agricultural scholarships. In the past several years, they have awarded \$5,000 to agriculture students of Texas State Technical College, where their investment is matched by the Lozano Long Opportunity Scholarship. The proceeds of other items auctioned off after the First Bale go toward additional

scholarships, awarded through the Algodon Club to high school seniors who commit to pursue a degree in an agricultural-related field at an accredited college or university. These scholarships are awarded at the annual Algodon Ball, which is held each June to culminate "Cotton Week," and is presided over by the Queen of Cotton and her Royal Court.

With agriculture comprising roughly one quarter of the Rio Grande Valley's economy, celebrations such as the auction of the First Bale and other cotton-themed events are a source of pride and a time-honored tradition for members of the local community. I congratulate the Harlingen Cotton Committee, the Algodon Club, the farming families and all of the individuals who have worked hard to carry on the tradition of the First Bale for the past 60 years and wish them the best as they celebrate this year's successor to the throne of King Cotton. Sources: The Algodon Club,

The Harlingen Cotton Committee of the Harlingen Area Chamber of Commerce, The Valley Morning Star

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

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Fresh food and opportunity at your **local Farmers Market**

By John Crabtree, johnc@cfra.org, Center for Rural Affairs

August 4th - 10th is National Farmers Market Week. Farmers Markets are expanding to communities across the nation at an amazing rate. Since 1994, the number of farmers markets in the USDA National Farmers Market Directory has more than quadrupled. Last year the number of farmers markets reached 7,864 and this year that number will most likely top 8,000 by a considerable margin when the results of the annual Directory update are announced this week as a part of the USDA celebration of National Farmers Market

Farmers Markets are good for rural communities. They bring farmers and consumers together, create a stronger local economy, provide consumers with fresh, nutritious, affordable local food, and create opportunities for family farmers and ranchers - especially beginners to diversify their operations and sell what they produce.

Farmers Market this week and return often. To find a farmers

market near you check out the **USDA National Farmers Market** (http:// Directory search.ams.usda.gov/ farmersmarkets/).

If you don't have a Farmers Market nearby, you can help create one in your community. Get started by calling the Center for Rural Affairs at 402.687.2100 and asking for the Farm Bill Helpline and then check out USDA's Farmers Market Promotion Program (http:// www.ams.usda.gov/fmpp/), which provides an excellent opportunity for market farmers, market gardeners and rural communities to establish and promote farmers markets and other direct-to-consumer food mar-

The Center for Rural Affairs was established in 1973 as an unaffiliated nonprofit corporation under IRS code 501(c)3. The Center for Rural Affairs was formed by rural Nebraskans concerned about family farms and rural communities, and we work to strengthen small businesses, family farms and Make sure you visit your local ranches, and rural communi-



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Texas Historical Commission to launch Cold War Oral History Series

AUSTIN, Texas--Unknown oral histories of the Cold War abound in Texas, and before they become lost to history, Texas Historical Commission (THC) hopes to document as many as possible by providing attendees with the necessary skills to conduct their own oral history recordings through a series of workshops occurring throughout the state.

When the Lone Star State Met the Iron Curtain: Recollections of Texas in the Cold War is a THC initiative to interpret and preserve the history of the varied roles Texans played in the Cold War from 1946-1991. The project goal is to honor the memories of both Texans who served in the armed forces as well as those who made contributions on the home front. Initial funding is made possible through the support of The Summerlee Foundation located in Dallas, which previously contributed to the THC's award-winning Texas in World War II oral history workshop series.

Because of the potentially high number of first-person perspectives on this time period, the THC will offer free regional oral history training workshops in 12 communities across the state over the next two years to assist the agency in gathering information. A new THC web page dedicated to the project will also be created where workshop updates will be posted. The first workshop will take place in

Taylor County at the Lawn Atlas Missile Base decommissioned missile silo on Aug. 24th. For more information, contact the THC's military historian, William McWhorter, at 512-463-5833 or email william.mcwhorter-@thc.state.tx.us.

LEARN HOW TO SECURE FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH TEXAS HIS-TORICAL COMISSION WORKSHOPS

AUSTIN, Texas-Contributions from individuals, foundations, corporations, and government entities can provide significant financial support for nonprofit organizations if they know where to find donors and how to build a relationship. The Friends of the Texas Historical Commission is sponsoring two upcoming workshops in August addressing these skills as components of the agency's 2013 Development Seminar

Understanding How to Secure Financial Resources for Your Nonprofit on August 20th and a grant writing workshop, **Understanding Special Project** Funding, on August 21st both provide valuable information to volunteers and staff interested in learning more about securing financial support for their organization. The workshops are \$225 each. or \$400 for both days, and will be held at the Robert E. Johnson Conference Center at 1501 N. Congress Ave. in

Austin, just north of the Capitol. All materials may also be provided on a flash drive for a discounted price. The registration deadline is rapidly approaching on August 5th.

With nearly three decades of experience coaching participants on effective fundraising techniques, grantsmanship, and strategies for planning organizational funding efforts, the THC's Development Seminar Series serves as a resource for groups including historic preservation organizations, museums, and historical commissions. How to Secure Financial Resources will introduce participants to the development process necessary to fulfill their organization's mission by utilizing tools including types of gifts, fundraising activities, cultivating relationships, and stewardship. Understanding Special Project Funding provides an overview to help improve an organization's chances of securing funding by addressing topics from identifying potential funders, to preparing a budget to tips on writing a successful proposal. Registration deadline is August 5th. For more

information, visit the Friends of the THC at www.thcfriends-.org/development-series or call 512-936-2189.

DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR PRESERVATION TEXAS HONOR AWARD NOMINATIONS

AUSTIN, Texas-Preservation Texas, a leading advocate for the preservation of Texas' historic resources, is accepting nominations for exemplary preservation projects, programs, and achievements by individuals or organizations through the end of August. The annual Honor Awards program recognizes outstanding and inspiring accomplishments in historic preservation throughout Texas. This year's award ceremony will take place in December at the former award-winning site Mission San Jos in San Antonio. Individual nominations can be made without the knowledge of the nominee, and selfnominations are accepted. Nominations must be submitted on a DVD or flash drive, and include a scanned copy of the completed nomination form provided with required attachments. Categories include the Historic Restoration Award, Historic w? Rehabilitation Award, Texas Media Award, Public Service Award, Heritage Education

Award, among others. For more information, contact 512-472-0102 or visit preservationtexas.org for submission formatting quidelines. The Texas Historical Commission is a partner with Preservation Texas in preserving Texas' rich

2013 market adjustments raise taxing entities' values Callahan County Chief Tax reported Clyde CISD's market in 2012 was \$69,975,640. He

2012 to 2013.

appraisal adjustments in 2013 were due to market adjustments on acreage and homesteads, along with increases from utilities, such as power lines in the

Jones said Baird ISD reported from 2012 to 2013. He said \$117,381,513 in 2013, an increase of over \$27 million in value in 2012 was market value. He said Baird ISD's market value in 2012 was \$121,527,250. Jones said most due to market adjustments and of the increase was due to the Lone Star electrical powerline which runs through the north part of Callahan County, through the Baird school district. Jones also said Baird ISD's market value increase was from increased utilities on an AEP electrical powerline which runs crease in value was due to marthough the school district boundary, north of I-20. The chief saw some new home construction in 2012.

Jones said Callahan County's for 2013 stood at \$586, 161, 185, while the County's market value in 2012 was \$535,386,748. He said the increase was due to utilities adjustments, power line, railroad value increases, and pipeline value increase. Jones also said Callahan County also saw some market adjustments able market value of year as Chief Appraiser for the on land and new construction.

creased almost \$16 million in 2012. The chief appraiser said six employees. 2013, according to Jones. He Cross Plains ISD's market value

Appraiser Don Jones reported value stood at \$218,529,283 in all county taxing entities had 2013, while the school district's taxable values increases from market value in 2012 was \$202,804,923. Jones said the Jones said most of the tax school district's increase was due to the AEP electrical powerline increase, market adjustments on land and new construction, including a new housing development on Clyde Way, east of The City of Cross Plains has only

Clyde Elementary School. Jones said the City of Clyde since 2009, according to Jones. the largest taxable value increase had a taxable market value of \$113,124,1633. He said all of the City of Clyde's increase was some new construction.

> The City of Baird's market value \$45,859,890, a slight increase of over \$1 million in 2012. Jones said the City of Baird's market value in 2012 was \$44,258,840. He said the City of Baird's inket adjustments.

appraiser also said Baird ISD ket value in 2013 of \$118,453,360, an increase of over \$5 million from 2012. Jones said Eula ISD's market value in market value also increased over 2012 was \$113,413,760. He said \$51 million in 2013. He said Eula ISD's increase was due to Callahan County's market value the AEP electrical powerline through the school district, mar-Eula ISD, Taylor County col-Jones said.

Cross Plains ISD reported tax-\$74,112,540 in 2013, an in- Callahan County Appraisal Dis-Clyde CISD's market value in- crease of over \$4 million from trict. The Appraisal District has

said the increase was from market adjustment on land value and homesteads, as well as some new construction

The City of Cross Plains reported taxable value of \$25,121,690 in 2013, up slightly from the city's market value of \$24,443,050 reported in 2012. been collecting property taxes

Jones said the City of Putnam reported taxable market value Baird ISD's 2013 market value crease of over \$4 million. Jones of \$2,235,970 in 2013, an inwent to \$148,594,690, an in-said the City of Clyde's market crease from \$2,100,930 in 2012. The chief appraiser said all the city's market value was due to market adjustments.

The chief appraiser said all the entities have received their certified tax rolls and the entities in 2013 was reported at will be adopting their tax rates some time in August.

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 Eula ISD reported taxable mar-real estate property sales.

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 ket adjustments and new con- send out tax statements in Ocstruction. Although Callahan tober 2013 for the 2013-2014 County appraises property for fiscal year. Taxes are due by January 31, 2014 and will belects property taxes for Eula ISD, come delinquent on February 1, 2014.

Jones is completing his third

State Agencies calls on Texans to recount Impact of Drought

conditions, that's what the economy." Texas Department of Texas' many diverse regions Wildlife Department (TPWD) want to know. This coalition of drought Texans to submit personal photos capturing what the drought looks like for them and how it has impacted their lives. From now until September

30, 2013, Texans are invited to share their original photographs of the drought on Flickr, Instagram and other social media platforms. Photos should illustrate how the drought is affecting daily lifewhether it is dry creek beds, withered crops, native plants flourishing in the dry climate or the innovative water conservation measures Texans are using to combat

"This current Texas drought, which started in 2010, has proven in many ways to be our worst drought in history. In fact, it has surpassed the Dust Bowl of the 1930s," Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples said. "Every Texan has experienced the drought's ferocity in different ways and these agencies are joining forces to collect and share these stories with other Texans, as well as for the historical record for future generations to appreciate the importance of drought preparedness and proactive,

AUSTIN-What does your We know citizen-led Texas drought look like? With conservation efforts are our more than 97 percent of Texas best alternative to mandated suffering from drought restrictions that can hurt our

Agriculture (TDA), Texas are each experiencing the Water Development Board drought in unique ways. This (TWDB) and Texas Parks and project aims to educate Texans on the critical nature of and state agencies today launched conservation. By providing the an interactive public photographs, the public will awareness campaign inviting help TDA, TWDB and TPWD garner an in-depth view of local drought conditions, ultimately helping manage and conserve the state's water resources.

> At the Texas Water Development Board, we're well acquainted with the effects of drought on our state," said TWDB Executive Administrator Melanie Callahan. "It affects water supplies for cities and agriculture alike, and can devastate economies and natural resources. This photo campaign is a way for Texans to document how drought affects them personally. Showing the results of water shortages and ways to conserve are equally important parts of this story.'

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, nearly the entire state of Texas is experiencing some form of drought, and more than 65 percent of the state is suffering from severe to exceptional drought. The state water plan dictates nearly 25 percent of our future water needs will be through water conservation.

"With the punishing drought our state has suffered, most people know how important it is to conserve water and plan to

use it wisely, and dramatic photos showing the reality of drought certainly underscore that conservation is imperative," said TPWD ob Executive Director Carter Smith. "In poll after poll, Texans have consistently ranked water resources near the very top of public priorities. It's important for people in cities, and it's important for fish and wildlife, state parks and

natural habitats-everything is

connected. We all have a role

to play in conserving water." Photographs may be submitted to our Flickr group, "What does your Texas drought look like?" at http:// www.flickr.com/groups/ texasdrought. This is a public webpage that anyone with an Internet connection can view, even those who are not members of Flickr. The Flickr page above provides instructions on how to share

Photographs also may be posted to Twitter or Instagram. Please use the hashtag #txdrought when sharing your photos. The campaign s Instagram account is texasdrought. Tag photos with date, location and include a short description. Additionally, you can email up to three photos

TexasDrought@yahoo.com, and we will post the pictures to our flicker page. All usersubmitted photographs must be original content.

Contacts: Lindsey Pope, Texas Department of Agriculture; Lauren Mulverhill, Texas Water Development Board; Tom Harvey, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

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Farm Credit Bank of Texas reports strong mid-year earnings Gross loan volume at the end and provision for credit losses

AUSTIN, Texas — The Farm Credit Bank of Texas (FCBT) reported strong earnings at midyear. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2013, totaled \$96.4 million, an increase of \$7.9 million over the same period of 2012. Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 2013, was \$42.6 million, compared with \$54.3 million during the same period last year. The record-high level of net income in the prior year is partly attributable to a refund of \$9.8 million in excess fund reserves from the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation received in the second quarter of 2012.

The bank's return on average assets was 1.26 percent and return on average shareholder's equity was 14.75 percent at June 30, 2013, up from 1.23 percent and 14.21 percent, respectively, at June 30, 2012.

of the second quarter was \$11.36 decreased \$15.6 million, or 75.2 billion, an increase of \$19.18 percent, in the first six months of million compared with Dec. 31, 2013 over the same period last 2012. In the second quarter, the year. bank reported a \$740.8 million

bank's portfolio. High-risk as- territory." sets, which include nonaccrual Established in 1916, Farm loans, formally restructured Credit Bank of Texas receives its loans and other property owned, funding through the sale of Farm decreased 32.12 percent from Credit notes and bonds in the

increase in average earning as- achieving strong credit quality, agricultural real estate and rural sets over the second quarter of income and key results in 2013," 2012, which includes increases said Larry Doyle, FCBT chief in participation loans, invest- executive officer. "Our region is ments and direct loans to the faring very well in overall ecobank's affiliated lending institu- nomic performance and job creation relative to the rest of the Credit quality remained high, country. We have great confiwith 97.7 percent of total loans dence in the market for rural classified as acceptable or spe- lending and are investing heavily cial mention, compared with to improve our IT systems. This 97.5 percent at Dec. 31, 2012, will benefit our affiliated lending reflecting the high-quality loans cooperatives, the largest rural that have been added to the lending network in our five-state

Dec. 31, 2012, to June 30, 2013, nation's capital markets. It pro-

vides funding to its owners, 17 rural lending cooperatives in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Texas. These lenders, in turn, finance agricul-"Farm Credit Bank of Texas is tural production, agribusiness,

voluntary water conservation.

Combined, the institutions in the Texas Farm Credit District had \$17.16 billion in gross loan volume at June 30, 2013, an increase of \$298 million, or 1.8 percent, from Dec. 31, 2012. The district reported \$219.4 million in combined net income for the first six months of this year, compared with \$222.6 million for the same period last

"Improving weather and economic conditions hold promise for many agricultural sectors in our territory," said Jimmy Dodson, FCBT board chairman. "This summer, Farm Credit cel-

ebrates 97 years of providing reliable financing for agriculture and rural communities, and the bank is well positioned to meet our customers' ongoing needs in the years ahead.'

The bank is part of the Farm Credit System, the nation's oldest and largest source of financing for agriculture and rural America. Nationally, the System reported combined net income of \$1.10 billion and \$2.25 billion for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30, 2013. This compares with combined net income of \$1.07 billion and \$2.12 billion for the same periods last year.

A week without advertising makes a business weak.



Cross Plains Revisited

Museum and the library and to of the old building. enjoy an excellent meal at The Staghorn.

Mike and JoAnn Phillips of Irving were so very impressed and intrigued by the small town atmosphere that they returned to see more of the town as soon as they could work it into their schedule. As they had already toured the old Howard home, they were interested in tracking down other businesses and houses mentioned the Novalyn Price's One Who Walked Alone book and night with the deceased a bit the subsequent movie, "The disturbing. Her reaction to the Whole Wide World."

delved deeper into his life story. From their research of Howard's better. time here in town, they could readily identify the old bank site where Howard briefly worked and that is now the Staghorn. They knew the story of Howard hanging on the wall with dozens the toad hopped under a pile of and some other young men who of old yellow sheets still clipped memories where it has been had erected a radio receiving in place. Seems it was a record living for about 15 years. station on top of Higginbothams and strung the wires along the roof tops to the old Cozy Drug Store at the north end of that block where people could listen to limited stations on the radio.

When it was pointed out that all the business sites from the 1920's are still mostly operational and that Bobby Golson has hand-painted almost all of the than the truth, go with the current business and store window signs and the library learn that such a dying art was alive and well in Cross Plains.

THEN began the tour of Higginbotham's with a stop at the window of antiques and on past the sacks of fertilizer and other yard and garden supplies stacked on the front sidewalk and into the

It was quite obvious that the 101 year old store and its endless on the floor up to the office where couple sporting cameras and supply of stories. Echoes from change was made and sent back enjoying Main Street last the past soon drowned out all the down might have been some Saturday from "The Potter noises from the street and distant forerunner to fiber optics Swing" were tourists. In response conversations from customers, as communication channels of to a warm Cross Plains welcome, former manager Tom regaled the they explained that they had been visitors with tales of near here a couple of weeks before to disasters, unique equipment once tour the Robert E. Howard used and just quaint little features

The story of the gun blasting a hole in the ceiling was topped by the wanna be robber who got stuck in the chimney and had to hang there until somebody opened the store the next morning and retrieved him. Supposedly the robber's boots are mighty leap to freedom, it landed still trapped in the bottom of the on a big pile of PVC pipes stacked

Stepping into the old funeral home area, JoAnn found the tradition of people sitting up all door and rack in the back of the Since discovering Howard's store where bodies were left when stories a few years ago, they have the funeral home section was closed after hours wasn't much

> into the act as he showed them the by-gone days of small town old vault that is still in daily use. America that she totally missed a Mike noticed the clip board shot of "Hopalong Cassidy," as of employees that went back before Social Security numbers were used. But when Corey and Tom shared the story of the beginning and unlikely end of an urn of ashes, it became obvious that Jimmy Stewart had it right when he told the young reporter in the movie Liberty Valence that "when the legend becomes better

legend.' On a lighter note was the post about the weather over the years. Cross Plains. One faded hand written note was cables which sent sales tickets and cash from the check-out counters

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Scott Hutton

Nakadah Walker

Paula Kelly

Nelda Tennison

Angela (Newton) Barraclough

Tiffany Paige Holland

Frank O' Bannion

Renee Hogrell

A goat loose in the store was probably the story to top all stories. Seems that a goat came barreling from the alley through the back door on the north end. Hanging a sharp left through the long storage/ work area, it soon discovered that big rows of electric cables were not the easiest thing to scramble through. Getting untangled and taking a against the wall. Tumbling PVC pipes and the spooked goat quickly parted company; the goat hit the other back door at a dead run and was last seen headed down the street bleating for its mommy. Employees spent the rest of the day putting the store back in order.

Through all the laughter, JoAnn had been so busy recording their Current store manager Cory got once in a lifetime visit to the

> After a leisurely meal at Mexico City interlaced with more local lore, the visitors were treated to a

walk-around of the vacant old Hemphill house where Novalyn Price had lived during the two years of her friendship with

A few more pictures of their now favorite Project Pride tour guides, a few hugs and a promise to return next June, they headed south for more sightseeing before mural, they were fascinated to in the back of the old office area returning home with heads that had been used for comments swimming with the joys of life in

> Who knows, they may retire proof that it had rained sometime here some day like so many in Sept. 1947. Mike, who works before them who came searching for Verizon, decided that the for a pleasant life in the slow lane.

> > **AUGUST 20**

Zoie Walker

Janeal (Stephens) Yancey

Sean Holden

Lurene McNutt

Mrs. Boswell Burks

Ronnie Lovell

Weldon Stephens

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Audrey Smith

Bill Ramsey

Donny Miller

Barbara Henson

Jimmy McCowen

Chas Wayne Watson

Billy Christenson, Jr.

Donnie Porter

Troy Wise

Sandra Hayes



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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



Enjoying REH — Sisters Lee Burgos and Maria Embry and daughters, Deanna and Hannah visit

When Lee Burgos flew in from FL to visit her sister Maria Embry and family in Keller, it didn't take the group long to plan a field trip out to the Pioneer area where the Embry's have purchased some land. From there, it was a natural drive on over here to visit the Robert E. Howard Museum. Maria Embry, an Early Childhood Teacher in the Keller School System is the Howard fan of the group, enjoying a bit of everything Howard had written. Daughter Deanna is a sophomore at UNT, majoring in speech pathology while her younger sister Hannah is still enjoying music, dance and the

arts in general at her high school in Keller. The group was especially interested in the old friendship quilt spread across the foot of the iron bed stead in Mrs. Howard's bedroom at the Museum. Learning that cotton sacks of chicken feed purchased from feed stores were made into clothing and then recycled into quilt blocks proved to be quite a challenging concept for the girls. They found the concept behind friendship quilts being made for new brides quaint and quite touching.

Lee is a LPN in FL, working in the home health care industry.

Loaded with t-shirts, books and art posters, the lively group headed to Jean's Feed Barn for a late lunch before heading back to Keller.



Family visits — David Sulak and daughters Amanda and Natalie from Victoria

Amanda and Natalie Sulak were good sports about visiting the Howard Museum with Dad David last week. Driving from Victoria to visit friends in Dallas, David realized that Cross Plains was just a couple more hours down the road and immediately headed west.

Having gotten into the magic of Howard's stories as a young teenager, David has moved from the Conan stories through several of the other genres. Favoring the Bran Mak Morn and Solomon Cane stories, he was delighted to be able to expand his library from purchases at the Museum.

David is the Jr. Assistant Administrator of Information Technology at the Victoria Community College. Both daughters naturally plan to join their dad at the college when they become eligible.

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Troopers arrest 1,100 Drunk Drivers during July 4th enforcement

AUSTIN—Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) troopers made more than 1,100 DWI arrests during a 10-day special enforcement period, which included the July 4th holiday. The DWI enforcement effort from June 28th – July 7th included funding from a Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) grant.

"These patrols are aimed at taking drunk drivers off Texas roadways and protecting the lives of all travelers," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "The men and women of the Texas Highway Patrol dedicate their careers to keeping our communities safe, and I'm certain troopers prevented

potentially deadly crashes by removing these dangerous drivers from our roads."

DPS Highway Patrol troopers made 1,124 DWI arrests during the July 4th enforcement effort. The TxDOT grant allowed increased patrols in high-risk locations during the times when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent, which directly resulted in 173 of the arrests.

DPS enforcement also resulted in more than 15,700 speeding citations, more than 2,400 seat belt/child safety seat citations, 720 fugitive arrests, and 602 felony arrests during this time period.

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Celebrating 90 years — Happy Birthday to Verna Childers

A surprise party celebrating Verna Dean Childer's 90th Birthday was hosted with love by her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren on July 27th. Relatives and friends enjoyed visiting, taking pictures, and sharing their memories with Verna through her 90 years. We wish to thank all who attended and shared this milestone in her life.

Happy 90 Years!

At first glance Mom's hands may seem crippled and meek,

She flinches when you bump them and her grip is quite weak.

But these hands are a reflection of the woman inside,

Although burdened with limits, still strong with pride.

When opening a jar seems too great a task,
It's only after great hesitation that she
finally asks.
Don't let that mislead you for you must

understand,
It's not what they can't do, but rather what they

These hands have the strength to raise a family right,

family right,

To wipe away every tear and hold you real tight.

They come together each day in prayer,

And whenever you need them, they're always right

there.

So if these hands don't appear all that tough, Remember they're full of tenderness and love, And for me that's enough.

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