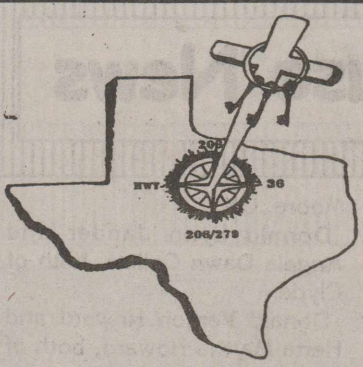


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## Local Grad Sees World Through Strings of a Tennis Racquet

Randy Stephenson knew last Tuesday (September 17th) would not be a typical day at Racket 'n Strings, a tennis shop that he and his wife, Nicki, own in Plano. Opening the shop at 9:00, he knew that before noon, he would string his 40,000th tennis racquet. And he did. 40,000 racquets equates to 303 miles of string or 1,600,000 feet if you want to be exact!

Along the way from his first stringing job in 1994 to what might be a record number of racquets strung, Stephenson has had some incredible experiences. He has been on the stringing teams at the prestigious Wimbledon tournament in London, the China Open in Beijing, the NASDAQ 100 Open in Key Biscayne FL twice, the Indianapolis Tennis Championship in IN once and several challenger tournaments in Dallas as well as numerous tournaments at the Lakes Tennis Academy and various country clubs.

Those who follow professional tennis will recognize some of the big names that Stephenson has worked for--Bob and Mike Bryan, John McEnroe, Rafael Nadal, Maria Sharapova, James Blake, Carlos Moya, Thomas Johansson and Mardy Fish. One of the players on the Israel team in the Davis Cup World Group has a brother in Dallas, who buys his racquets from Randy and then ships them to wherever the Davis Cup is being played.

One early challenge for Randy was becoming a certified Master Racquet Technician in 1996. As tough as that test was, he soon found himself in fairly elite company of professional stringers. Currently there are only 350 or so MRTs in the world and these are the folks who are selected to the stringing teams for major tournaments like the 4 Grand Slams that are played in Australia, England, France and the U.S.

Stephenson's dedication to stringing racquets for his

customers and staying on top of the latest equipment and technology has earned him the title of "String Doctor" from Cathy Brotemarkel of McKinney who has been a loyal customer for 15 years. Dozens of other players have been with him over 10 years, with 117 first time customers coming into their shop in the last two months alone. Stephenson is quick to give credit to his wife for his success. "None of these 300+ racquets I've been doing the last 15 months at rackets n string would 'nt be possible without Nicki. Not many wives would say "sure you just got laid off and not sure what we are going to do, let's open a business so you can string fulltime."

Tom and Arlene as the proud parents, are hard pressed to personally identify Randy's most exciting achievements. They agree that their son being selected as part of the stringing teams going to London and Beijing was way beyond awesome. However, being recognized by one's peers as one of the best is hard to top. Thus, when Randy was selected as the 2004 Racquet Sports Industry Stringer of the Year, they felt the honor was one of the highest pinnacles in his career. Also at the top of the list was his story of his Wimbledon experience in 2003 that was in the official publication of the United States Racquet Stringer's Association.

Good teachers encourage their students to dream big and work hard to make those dreams come true and Carol Atchley was no exception. Because of her encouragement to develop his creative and artistic talents, when he graduated in 1993, Randy enrolled in the Art Institute in Dallas to study computer animation. Then fate stepped in and he ultimately achieved a dream that he never even knew he had. Who knows, maybe Mack McConal saw something on that old tennis court that nobody else did.

## Cross Plains NEEDS EMS Volunteers

Who knows if the next 911 EMS call will be for your family? We just don't. But having the EMS local, organized, trained, licensed and on-call is like having a home fire insurance policy. If you have a fire, it is too late to get a policy. Many experienced such consequential losses when he fire took so many of our homes several years ago. Prudent people make provisions. Cross Plains urgently needs

available and willing neighbors of good will to volunteer, train and serve as trained, licensed EMS crews. We have tentative state-approved classes scheduled for November. Many hands make the burden light.

So, call Susan Schaefer 325-665-3553 for details.

Submitted by David Holmes Licensed EMT Emergency Medical Technician

## Cottonwood Country Musical set for Friday the 27th

The next Cottonwood Country Musical will be Friday, September 27th. After the cancellation of the musical last month, everyone is ready to have a great time.

The menu for the kitchen will be taco salad, with the usual desserts, sandwiches, tea, coffee, and sodas.

The meal will be served at 5 p.m. and the music will begin at 5:30 p.m.

So come to Cottonwood, Texas on Friday, September 27th and be prepared for a fun time.

## Year Book Digitalization

The Callahan County Historical Commission along with help from the Cross Plains Public Library and CPISD are having the Cross Plains Yearbooks digitized. Years from 1949 - 2012 have been sent for processing. If you can help us out with yearbooks before 1949 (except 1941 & 1946 which we have), please drop them off at the Cross Plains Public Library. Be sure to leave your name and phone number, so we can return it to you. CDs with the yearbooks will be at the library and the school once finished. For more information, call Judy Luter at (254) 725-7222

## May 'Bulls & Briskets' will be held Saturday

The sixth annual "Bulls and Briskets" cookoff and bull riding will take place on Saturday, September 28th at the May Arena in May, Texas.

Those entering the cookoff may arrive as early as 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 27th. Contact Mike Stavley at (325) 647-2866 for information about signing up for the cookoff.

Bull riding will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 28th for the first 30 bull riders to sign up by 4:00 p.m. There is no entry fees and your chance to win include:

First Place: \$1,000 and champion buckle + the Option to ride Bounty Bull for an additional \$1,000 added money (total possible winnings - \$2,000 and championship buckle).

Second place will be awarded \$500.00

Third Place will receive \$250.00 in prize money.

Bulls are being provided by Dent Hub Hail Repair & JH Hucking Bulls of Eastland. Contact Toby Lindley at (325) 642-2347 or Josh Beal at (325) 647-7763. The event will conclude with a dance featuring The Josh Ward Band at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, at the Rodeo Barn. Tickets for the dance will be available at the door.

## Blood Drive Set For October 1, 2013

A community blood drive will take place in Cross Plains on Tuesday, October 1st. The Meek Blood Center bloodmobile will be at First Baptist Church from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

"Meek Blood Center depends on the donors in the communities we serve to help supply blood to sixteen area hospitals. Having an adequate blood supply is a vital component to the operation of the hospitals we serve. All of the blood that is used for patient care is supplied by volunteer donors."

said Frances Baker, donor recruiter.

Changes have been made to streamline the screening process and some previous restrictions regarding medical conditions and medications have been lifted. Those who have eligibility questions can speak with the Meek Blood Center supervisor at 325-670-2880.

Each donor will receive a T-shirt and a complimentary total cholesterol test.

## Community Members for Promoting Cross Plains Luncheon

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a Luncheon for discussion forum on ideas to help promote the City of Cross Plains.

Cross Plains is our "product" How do we market that "product"?

When: Thursday October 3rd, 2013  
Where: Jean's Feedbarn.  
Time: Lunch 12pm-1pm, Your Dutch Treat. Please call ahead to order.

Build Up Our Current Business Base  
Recruit New Business  
Recruit Events  
Committees  
Beautification  
Recruit Individuals  
Housing

Please select one representative from your community group, or business. Open to community individuals also.

Bring your idea's of what you would like to see utilized in our community!

## Cross Plains Public Library's Book Sale is Saturday, Oct. 5th at New Location



Join us for our annual book sale on Saturday, Oct. 5th, from 8:00 am-2:00 pm on Hwy 36 next to Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply. Hundreds of titles in hardback and paperback as well as audio books on cassette and VHS tapes are just \$1 per sack. All proceeds benefit the library.

We will also be selling abridged classic books on CD, featuring 32 titles from Listener's Digest. Each CD is \$5 or 6 for \$25. With Christmas around the corner, they make great stocking stuffers! -submitted by Michelle Kaiser

## Health and Information Fair

Mark your calendar for Health and Information Fair to be held at Thursday, October 17, 2013 10:00-2:00 at the Cross Plains Senior Center at 108 N. Main St. Eighteen area health agencies, nursing facilities, technology companies and first responders will be available to answer your questions, take blood pressures, check blood sugar, hemoglobin levels and give you information that will enhance the quality of your life. There will be services for all ages as the Kiwanis offer testing for myopia (lazy eye) for pre-school age children. There is no charge to attend. If you need any information, please call 725-6521.

## Cross Plains Review Deadlines

Ads Noon on Tuesday  
Articles Noon on Monday

## Texas Heritage Bank

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## District Starts This Week

Cross Plains vs. Gorman  
Friday, September 27 at 7:30 in Gorman



## Wildflowers All Year Long

As we drive the highways and back roads around Cross Plains, the wildflowers seem to be everywhere, especially in the springtime. Have you ever stopped to think how many different varieties of wildflowers we have to enjoy?

James Nichols scouted out the area and photographed flowers that just grow wild and compiled them in calendar form to be shared. This calendar is in loving memory of Esther Kerr, a longtime resident of Cross Plains

and receptionist at the Cross Plains Senior Center for over six years.

The 2014 calendar is available for only \$5.00. Come by 108 N. Main St, in Cross Plains to pick up a copy or call us at 254-725-6521 for additional information. The calendar can be mailed to you for an additional \$2.00.

We appreciate James Nichols using his talents to honor Esther and generate additional funds for the Senior Center.

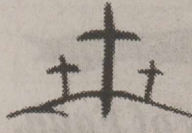
## Elvis Spotted in Cross Plains!

If you see Elvis, call the Cross Plains Public Library at 254-725-7722

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

### Triple Cross Cowboy Church

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



**Al Taylor, Preacher**

Phone: 254-725-7522  
Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

### Pioneer Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Sunday School...10:00 am  
Dwayne Clowers Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am  
254-725-6268 Sunday Evening Worship...6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service...7:00 p.m.

**Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley**

### Living Water Ministries Fellowship

Restoring And Equipping The Saints  
Sunday...10:00 am Wednesday...7:00 pm

**Pastor Max Evans**

For Information Call (254) 725-7418

### Rowden Baptist Church

**Pastor: Wayne Lenz**  
Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods  
Bible Study...10:00 am  
Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am  
2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

### COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School .....9:45 AM  
Morning Worship.....11:00 AM  
Ministry Activities  
Youth Meet at Pool House.....6:30PM  
Thomas Estes, Pastor  
Gregg Steine, Youth Pastor  
Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching

### First United Methodist Church

**Kevin Morton, Pastor**

Office 725-7377 Parsonage 325-624-5634  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.

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

### First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY SERVICE 9:00 AM  
MUSIC- CONNIE SWIFT  
LEAD SINGERS: 4 HIS GLORY  
Pastor Kathy Monroe  
208 N. Ave. D

### CROSS PLAINS CHURCH OF CHRIST

433 North Main Street  
Cross Plains, Texas 76443  
Minister: RICK AUSTIN  
SUNDAY:  
Morning Worship: 10:45 A.M.  
Bible Class: 9:45 A.M.  
Evening Worship: 6:00P.M.  
Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.  
Ladies Class - Wednesday:  
10:00A.M. (at the church activity center on East Hwy 36)  
Office: (254-725-6117)  
Cell Phone: Rick - (918) 348-6859

## Obituaries



### Leota Mae Howser

Leota Mae Howser, 92, of Liberty, Texas passed away Saturday, September 21, 2013 at her home with her family by her side. She was a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend.

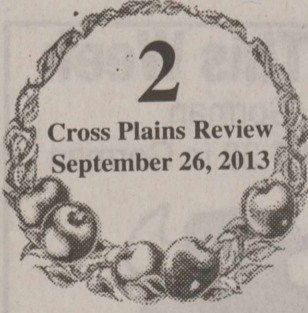
Funeral Services were held on Tuesday, September 24, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel of Sterling Funeral Home in Dayton, Texas. Graveside services were held Wednesday, September 25, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. in Cross Plains Cemetery, Cross Plains, Texas. A gathering of Leota's family and friends was held on Monday, September 23, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Sterling Funeral Home.

Leota was a devote Christian, baptized at age 13 in Cross Plains, Texas. She was a member of Liberty Church of Christ where she taught Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, and Ladies Bible Class. In her younger years she sold shoes and worked at the florist shop that her great aunt owned. She worked as a seamstress from her home for the public. Her most important and treasured job was being the Matriarch of her family, raising her children, holding her family together and being the peacemaker. Leota enjoyed traveling, painting, needle point, gardening, and cooking. She was famous for her pies and yeast rolls.

Leota is preceded in death by her parents; Mary and Edmond Long, daughters; Mary Theresa Howser, Jackie Karen Peel, and her brother; William Nathan "WN" Long.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory, her sons; Wayne Howser, wife Stephanie, James Howser, wife Sherry, grandchildren; Jennifer Brightwell, Hollie Powell, Jonathan & Nicholas Howser, Michelle Young, Michael Peel, great grandchildren; Drake Hunter, and Colt Aaron Brightwell, Caleb Elijah and Sarah Elizabeth Powell, John David, Charles Edward and Thomas Andrew Young, and a host of other family and friends.

Please, sign and share memories of Leota in her guestbook at [www.sterlingfuneralhome.com](http://www.sterlingfuneralhome.com).



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### Lester "Leck" Matthews

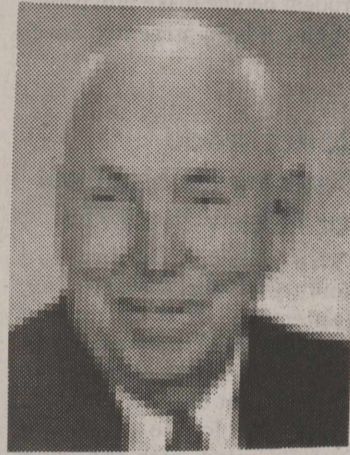
Graveside service for Lester "Leck" Matthews, 87, of Coleman was held at 10:00 a.m. September 17, 2013 at the Coleman City Cemetery Pavilion. Arrangements were under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

He died Sunday, September 15, 2013, at Coleman Healthcare Center.

He was born October 2, 1925, in Leaday, to Joe Matthews and Vivian Cohea Matthews. He served in the U.S. Army. He was married to Doris Rozzell on October 8, 1947. He worked as a ranch foreman. He was a member of Leaday Baptist Church.

Survivors include four children; Linda Halfmann of Coahoma, Lexia Bagley of Cross Plains, Lorri Thweatt of Coleman, Lester Matthews of Abilene; brother, Willie Matthews of Coleman; nine grandchildren; and 14 great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Doris in 2009; brother, Carl Matthews; sister, Ruth Row; and a granddaughter.



### Robert Lee "Bob" Champion

Funeral services for Robert Lee "Bob" Champion, 89, of Denver City were conducted Wednesday, September 25, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in the Denver City Church of Christ with Brother Skip Rodgers officiating. Graveside services followed on Thursday, September 26, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. in the Cottonwood Cemetery in Cottonwood, Texas with services under the direction of Ratliff Funeral Home of Denver City. Robert passed away September 23, 2013 in Denver City.

Bob was born on July 23, 1924 in Cottonwood, Texas to Calvin and Alice Champion. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII. Robert married Murl "Murt" Barnett on April 2, 1950 in Hobbs, New Mexico who preceded him in death on October 19, 1998. He later married Lillian Ray Cloud in Denver City on August 7, 2001. Bob retired from El Paso Natural Gas after 37 years as a Plant Operator. He is preceded in death by two brothers; Glenn and Claud Champion.

Bob is survived by his wife Lillian Ray Champion; two daughters Debbie Crowley and husband Bob of Houston; Deena Mitchell and husband Dale of Katy; a step-son, Jerry Wayne Cloud and wife Dora of Clayton, New Mexico; two step-daughters, Ann Richardson and husband Jerry of Denver City, Vicki Williams and husband Randy of Levelland; a sister, Viola Turnbough and husband David of Lubbock; 20 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren. Bob was loved by all and an inspiration to many.

## Courthouse News

Callahan County Court  
Roger Corn, presiding

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Lana K. Murphy, plea of guilty to theft by check, 90 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$314 court costs.

Bruce A. Cooper, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Monica R. Cardenas, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice.

Sam L. Moreau, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Grant Simington, motion for continuance granted.

Joe Bob Powers, order on motion to revoke probation granted.

Misti D. Rollins, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Clint E. Coats, motion to dismiss to possession of dangerous drug granted for plea to other case.

### Marriage Licenses

John Steven Stark of Oklahoma City, OK and Shannon Marie Dougan of

Moore, OK.

Donald Lynn Jander and Angela Dawn Collins, both of Clyde.

Donald Vernon Howard and Herta Martha Howard, both of Baird.

42nd District Court  
John Weeks, presiding

### Civil Filings

Bridgetex Pipeline Company LLC vs. Darrell Freeman, eminent domain condemnation.

Bridgetex Pipeline Company LLC vs. James Freeman, eminent domain condemnation.

Dale Franklin Taylor and Elizabeth Anne Taylor, divorce.

### Civil Minutes

Derric Nichols and Sara Nichols, divorce granted.

Kamala C. Hughes and Orion Russell Scott, divorce granted.

Regenia Gay Hawthorne and Joseph Leon Hawthorne, divorce granted.

Mendy Meier and Kevin Meier, divorce granted.

## SHERIFF'S CORNER

By Sheriff Terry Joy

The "hit and run" event involving a vehicle and an adult on foot prompts the Sheriff's Department to make the following reminder.

Effective September 1, 2013, the penalty for leaving the scene of an accident involving injury or death may be 2 to 20 years in prison and a fine of up to \$10,000.

I also want to remind drivers that cell phone use while driving in school zones is prohibited unless the drivers use a hands free device. The ban has been extended to all school property, including parking lots and drop-off lanes. The fine for violating this law is up to \$200.

Stopping for school buses as students enter and exit buses is a MUST. Drivers are to remain stopped until the bus driver releases the stop sign and the flashing red lights go off. The fine for passing a school bus when red lights are flashing and the stop sign is active has been increased. The new range for fines is now \$500 to \$1,250.

TxDOT vehicles and crews are now included with police vehicles, fire trucks, ambulances, tow trucks and recovery vehicles. Motorists must slow down or move over when approaching TxDOT vehicles that are stopped

and flashing blue or amber lights. The new law requires drivers to move out of the lane closest to any of the above mentioned crews or vehicles. If lane change is not possible, speed must be reduced 20 MPH below the posted speed. If the speed limit is 25 MPH or lower, drivers must reduce speed to 5 MPH. Fines for violators may be up to \$2,000.

Younger drivers aged 18 or less are unable to use a cell phone or other mobile communication device except in case of emergency. Underage drivers should have no more than one passenger under 21 who is not a family member. Minors also are not to drive between midnight and 5 a.m.; unless, driving is necessary for school or work purposes or for a medical emergency.

All occupants of a vehicle must now wear a seat belt regardless of age or position in the vehicle. Children under age 8 or smaller than 4 feet 9 inches in height must be secured in a proper child safety seat.

As always, the Sheriff's Department encourages citizens to report any law violation observed to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

Be alert, be lawful, be safe — it could be the life of a child that you save.

## Cross Plains National Honor Society & Moses Fitness host 5k-10k run

Get your running shoes out and start those warm-ups stretches a 5K-10K Run Sponsored by the Cross Plains High School National Honor Society and Moses Fitness will be held in conjunction with the Cross Plains Cancer Walk set for October 12, 2013 at the Football Stadium in Cross Plains.

Registration will be from 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. The Run begins at 5:15 p.m. There will be a \$25

Entry Fee/Sponsorship T-Shirts are included!

A Prize will be given for the largest amount of sponsorship funds raised.

Proceeds from the race are donated to the local cancer walk fund!

Funds raised by this event and others which take place during the annual cancer walk are all kept here locally in the Cross Plains area to benefit local people.

### 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

Tim Tolosa, Worship/Discipleship

Jared Huntley/Students

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# Cottonwood News

Beverly Brown



**Have Ramps Will Travel** — Members of the Cross Plains Kiwanis with the ramp they completed last Saturday for Bill Nickerson in Cottonwood. Clockwise from left: Kiwanis members Roy Boyd and Adrian Allen, Bill Nickerson, Kiwanis Members Bob Ossowski and Arnie Smith, all Cottonwood residents.

Members of the Cross Plains Kiwanis organization were here in Cottonwood this past Saturday building a wheelchair ramp at the home of Bill Nickerson. The ramp builders--Arnie Smith, Bob Ossowski, Roy Boyd and Adrian Allen--didn't have to travel far; they're all Cottonwood residents and pretty much live down the road a ways. The ramp at the Nickerson home was truly a case of neighbors getting out and helping other neighbors. The Kiwanis have teamed up with the Texas Ramp Project to help elderly and handicapped individuals have easier access to their homes. In the coming months, they will be building ramps throughout Cross Plains and the surrounding areas. As one

of the members put it "Have ramps, will travel." We're especially proud of Arnie, Adrian, Roy, Bob and the whole Kiwanis organization for the work they're doing. Good job, guys! If you need a ramp, or know of someone that needs a ramp and think they can be helped by the Texas Ramp Project, flag one of these guys down.

Teri and I visited with Bill and Annette Nickerson, Dena Nickerson and the grandkids while the ramp building crew was finishing up.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group was called out last Tuesday to a fire off of FM 2228 for a control burn that had gotten out of control. Please exercise caution if you're burning. Let the

Sheriff's Office and your local fire chief know you'll be doing a control burn before you light the match. Here in Cottonwood, call Fire Chief Joe Terstegge at 254-725-7281.

It's almost Barbeque Time! Next Saturday Night--October 5th--the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group will be serving a barbeque dinner--brisket, sausage, chicken and turkey--right here in Cottonwood at the Cottonwood Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Come out and enjoy the barbeque, as well as beans, potato salad, iced tea and dessert--All for only \$6. Dinner starts at 5 p.m. and runs until about 6:30 p.m. Come out meet some special guests--the Air Evac Lifeteam. They'll be at the dinner and they're bringing their helicopter! Meet the team and have a great meal. Take out plates are available.

Proceeds from the dinner go toward the maintenance and gas for the firetrucks and to buy tires and other parts that some of our trucks badly need.



**American Legion Post #423**  
Will Meet on Thursday,  
September 26th at 6:30 p.m.  
There will be a guest speaker  
and a wonderful meal.



When you want or need  
any book...  
Check Out The Library.



**Colors that have meaning**— Beautiful quilt for a good cause **Cancer Walk Quilt Drawing.** Hanging Garden; Queen/King approx. 98"x100". Pieced & quilted by Brenda Simons. (In memory of Homer Simons Tickets are \$1.00 Each or 6 for \$5.00. (Can purchase tickets @ the Bank). Colors in the quilt represent colors of different cancer diagnosis.

**PUBLIC FAX (254) 725-7225**

## Bubba's BBQ Smokehouse

Best BBQ Brisket and Smoked Sausage in West Texas  
10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Monday thru Saturday

- 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  
Combo Meal #2 - Small BBQ Sandwich, Chips, Drink.....\$5.50

**WATCH for BUBBA'S FAMOUS PINK PIG!!**

**FAMILY PACK SPECIAL**  
2 LBS. Meat, 2 Pint Sz. Sides -- \$24.00

- |                                  |   |  |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| <b>By The Pound</b>              | <b>Sides</b>                              | <b>Condiments</b>                        |
| Brisket.....\$9.00 lb            | Potato Salad, Beans & Cornbread, Coleslaw | Pickles, Onions, Jalapenos,              |
| Sausage (Hot/Mild).....\$9.00 lb | Single Serving.....\$ .99                 | BBQ Sauce, Hot-N-Spicy Sauce and Mustard |
| Ribs.....\$9.00 lb               | 1/2 Pint.....\$2.00                       |  |
| Chicken Breast.....\$5.50 lb     | Pint.....\$4.00                           |  |

Come on by - 401 E. Ave. A & Hwy 36, Cross Plains (254)270-0040

## LIBRARY NOTES

**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**

September 16-19, 2013

Patrons	77
Books Checked Out	98
Programs	12
GED	6
Other	6
Copies	28
Internet Wi-Fi	35
Interlibrary Loans	0
Reference	8

### Donations

Ruth York

### Living Tributes

Kennith and Ann Beeler  
In Honor of Christine Beeler

### Books and Misc. Donations

Sally Roady  
Judy Luter  
Ginny Hoskins  
Scarlett Koettel  
James Warlick  
Judy Terstegge-Diller  
Joe, Deana, and Kathleen Terstegge  
In Memory of Bobby Illingworth

### Volunteers

Azalee Womack  
Polly Beeler  
Sue Bennett  
Ginny Hoskins  
Judy Hoskins  
Richard Burns

## Senior Citizens Center Activities



SEPTEMBER 30-Oct.4  
2013



**Monday, 30th** - Exercise 11:00/Blood Pressure Check Encompass

**Tuesday, 1st** - Exercise 11:00/GAME NIGHT/6:00p.m.

**Wednesday, 2nd** - Exercise 11:00/BINGO 11:15

**Thursday, 3rd** - Exercise 11:00

**Friday, 4th** - Manicures IntegraCare/Exercise 11:00/BINGO 11:15  
Buffaloes@Roscoe

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU



SEPTEMBER 30-Oct. 4, 2013

**Monday** - Swiss Steak/(veg in entree)/White Steamed Rice/Peas & Carrots/Bread/Dessert/Drink

**Tuesday** -Chicken Pot Pie/ Pickled Beets/Dessert/Drink

**Wednesday** -Chili Dogs-cheese/onion/Oven Baked Fries/ Fruit Cup/Dessert/Drink

**Thursday** -Baked Pork Cutlets/Potatoes/Green Beans/ Bread/Dessert/Drink

**FRIDAY**-Cheeseburgers/ Chips/Sliced Pears/Dessert/ Drink

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



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Crystal Conway with Girling Home Health — Making hair bows with the residents.



Entertaining the Residents — Maxine Morgan playing the piano.

## Rising Star Nursing Center By Dona McIntire

Well hello to everyone. It has been a while since our last letter and we are still doing good..

We have something kind of new here at the center and it is Maxine Morgan comes every Thursday and plays the piano for us. She plays all types of music and the residents sure enjoy it. So for about 30 minutes they listen to music that is gospel, Country, Classical etc.

Something else we did on our Friday morning's was make hair

bows. Crystal Conway, with Girling Home Health brought everting we needed and we had a blast. As you can tell by the picture, everyone has made at least one bow and i think Ramona Dudas had about 6 or 7. They sure enjoy wearing them. Thanks again Crystal for all of your help. We are going to make bracelets the next time so we will keep you up on that.

We had two birthdays this month with Elvin Thompson

having one on 9-13 and Ray Hutchinson on 9-16. We will have our birthday party this Friday. Monday we will have our monthly "Bingo Bucks". They really enjoy the store.

I guess we will close for now and hopefully we will send out another letter in a couple of weeks.

See you later and may God bless each of you.

# Life After High School Night

*Life after High School Night* is planned for Tuesday, October 8, 2013 for **all high school students** and their parents at the high school gymnasium from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Area colleges and universities will be in attendance with information concerning admission, scholarships, financial aid, and programs offered. These college representatives will give presentations, hand out information booklets, and be available to answer any questions.

There will also be information

for students not interested in four-year programs of study but are thinking about two-year degrees, technical schools, or the armed forces. Students and parents are highly encouraged to attend this very important meeting and use this opportunity to begin planning for life after college. Seniors should already be beginning the application process to colleges and universities.

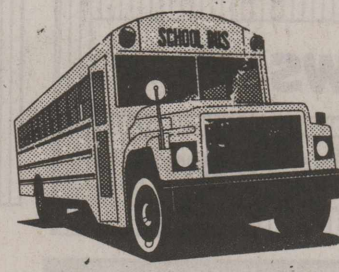
Deadlines for some university early admissions are November 1, so I highly encourage all seniors to try and get three applications

done by the end of October.

Students will have two college days during the school year to travel to their postsecondary choice, but this will be the only college night planned for Cross Plains for students and parents.

*We will be having college night every three years now, so please make plans to attend.*

For questions or additional information, please call the high school counselor, Debbie Mitchell, at Cross Plains High School: 254-725-6121.



## Cross Plains Yearbooks

2012-2013 Yearbooks are now in at the High School. If you have not picked up your yearbook, please come by and do so. If you did NOT purchase a yearbook, there are still some available. \$30/yearbook, or \$25 each if you buy 2 or more.

## Cross Plains Students Are Set To "Read For the Record" on October 3rd

Kindergarten and first grade students will once again participate in Jumpstart's premiere national campaign "Read for the Record" presented in partnership with the Pearson Foundation, thanks to the Cross Plains Public Library and a Texas State Library and Archives Commission grant.

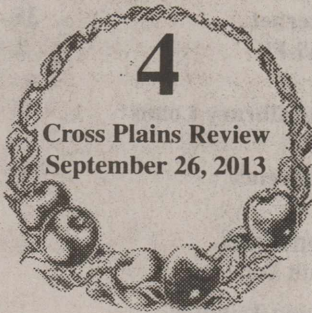
"Read for the Record" is one day of the year when millions of individuals come together to celebrate literacy and support jumpstart in its efforts to promote early childhood education. On October 3rd, people across the country will be encouraged to read the children's book "Otis," by Loren Long, in support of Jumpstart's mission to work towards the day that every child in America enters school prepared to succeed. Cross Plains' kindergarten and first grade teachers will read the book to their students that day, and thanks to an Impact Grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Texas State Library and Archives

Commission, the Cross Plains Public Library has purchased a copy of the book for each student to take home.

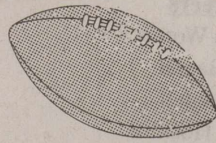
In addition, staff at the Cross Plains Public Library will be reading the book to pre-school children at 4:00 p.m. in the library. The book will be available for checkout also.

In 2006, Jumpstart launched the first "Read for the Record" campaign with the classic story, "The Little Engine That Could." Jumpstart began the morning of that campaign day on NBC's TODAY Show, which has become a proud tradition. Jumpstart's supporters helped set a new record for reading the same book on the same day, and in the process, created a national forum for concerned citizens to voice their support of early education.

In 2012, Cross Plains joined the 2,385,305 people who read "Ladybug Girl and the Bug Squad." We hope you'll help us break that record by pledging to read "Otis" on October 3rd!



## Cross Plains Buffaloes Breakfast Friday September 27



Church of Christ 7:00 a.m. Open to ALL High School Students, Teachers, Staff, Coaches & Parents

## JH and JV Football Times and Dates

Thursday, September 26th  
7th Grade, 8th Grade and JV Games will be in Cross Plains

7th Grade--Roscoe--6:00  
8th Grade --Gorman--5:00  
JV--Roscoe--7:00

## ASPIRE Donations

Cross Plains Elementary and Resource Care are still needing donations (tax deductible) to help with the cost of the ASPIRE program. This program is held after school to help certain students with their education. All donations go directly to the costs of the program. Donations can be sent to:

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Thank you.  
Jeremy Williams-Principal  
Cross Plains Elementary

## Parenting Classes Coming To Cross Plains

Family Services Center, Inc. will offer a series of parenting classes beginning October 3rd. Classes will be held at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains. Using the evidenced-based curriculum, Parenting Wisely, this series of classes will help you with the challenges of parenting. The classes are designed to help parents strengthen and improve their relationships with their children. Parents that struggle with children during morning, school or bedtime routines, or that are frequently interrupted by a child will learn skills to effectively deal with these behaviors. Topics such as basic communication, dealing with temper tantrums, arguments, and sibling rivalry will also be covered.

Classes are open to parents and grandparents of all ages. Registration, which includes the first session, will begin at 12:30 p.m. on October 3 at the First Baptist Church located at 301 N. Main. Classes will continue every Thursday at 12:30 p.m. for ten weeks. Family Services Center encourages participants to bring their lunch with them and come prepared to learn exciting new skills.

Parenting Wisely is a Family Services Center program made possible through funding by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services and the United Way. For additional information on other Family Services Center programs call 325-646-5939 or go to [www.familysc.net](http://www.familysc.net).

## School Board Minutes

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Jack Shepard, Tommy Ames, Davy Crockett, John McWilliams, Michael Cowan, Roy Richey and Bryan Bennett.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent, High School Principal, Elementary Principal, Rhonda Atchley and Daniel Purvis.

Prayer was led by Jack Shepard. Motion was made by Shepard and seconded by Cowan to approve the minutes from August 8th with no corrections. For 6 Against 0 Ames abstained

Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Richey to accept the minutes for August 28 with no

corrections. For 6 Against 0 Cowan abstained

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Cowan to buy a used route bus for \$12,000. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Shepard and seconded by Richey to approve the Professional Development and Appraisal System (PDAS) calendar for 2013-14. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Shepard to approve the investment policy. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by McWilliams to approve the certified applicator policy. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Shepard to adjourn.

## CROSS PLAINS SCHOOL MENU September 30-Oct 4

### BREAKFAST

**Monday** - Scrambled eggs, Biscuits & Gravy, Fresh fruit, Assorted juice, Milk

**Tuesday** - French Toast Sticks, Fresh fruit, Assorted juice, Milk

**Wednesday** - PB & J Sandwich, Fresh fruit, Assorted juice, Milk

**Thursday** - Cereal Variety, Texas Toast, Fresh fruit, Assorted juice

**Friday** - Breakfast Burrito, Fresh fruit, Assorted juice, Milk

### LUNCH

BBQ Rib Sandwich, Corn Chips, Refried Beans, Garden Salad, Salsa, Hot Cinnamon Apples, Milk

Grilled Cheese, Vegetable Soup, Baby Carrots, Fruit Cup, Milk

Hot dog, Potato Rounds, Fresh Veggie Cup, Fresh Seasonal Fruit, Milk

Chicken Nuggets, Mac & Cheese, Garden Salad, Savory Green Beans, Apple Slices, Crispy Cereal Treat, Milk

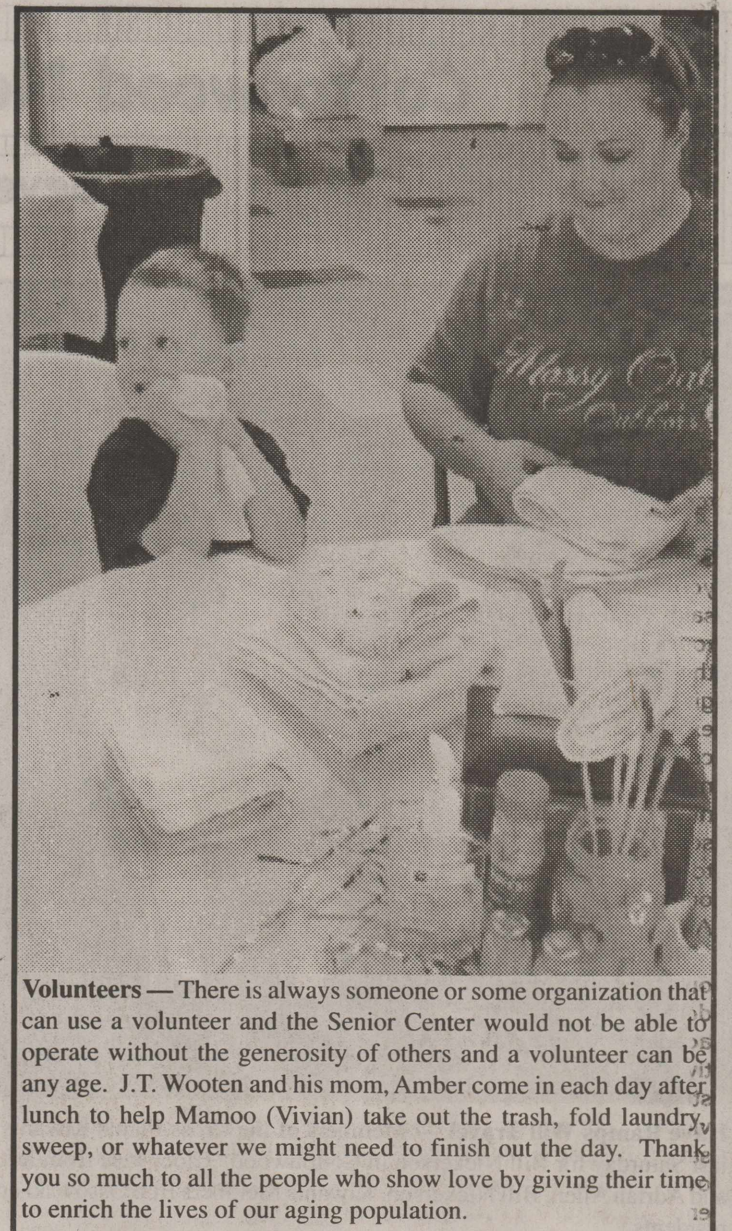
Beef or Chicken Patty on Bun, Hamburger Garnish, Seasoned Corn, Baby Carrots, Sliced Peaches, Milk

## 2013 CROSS PLAINS BUFFALOES VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
9/27	GORMAN*	GORMAN	7:30
10/4	ROSCOE*	CROSS PLAINS	7:30
10/11	ROBY*	ROBY	7:30
10/18	BAIRD*	CROSS PLAINS	7:30
10/25	HAMLIN*	HAMLIN	7:30
11/1	ALBANY*	ALBANY	7:30
11/8	RANGER*	CROSS PLAINS	7:30

\* Indicates a district game

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**Volunteers** — There is always someone or some organization that can use a volunteer and the Senior Center would not be able to operate without the generosity of others and a volunteer can be any age. J.T. Wooten and his mom, Amber come in each day after lunch to help Mamoo (Vivian) take out the trash, fold laundry, sweep, or whatever we might need to finish out the day. Thank you so much to all the people who show love by giving their time to enrich the lives of our aging population.

## One in Four Texas Households with Children Report Inability to Afford Enough Food

Data Show Widespread Struggle in Austin, Houston, San Antonio, Dallas/Fort Worth

Austin — Texas households with children suffered extraordinarily high rates of food hardship during the recession, according to a new national report released today. In five years of telephone surveys conducted through 2012, over one in four (27.4%) of these households said they couldn't consistently afford enough food.

Despite this high level of food hardship, Congress is preparing to debate a bill that would cut \$39 Billion from funding for SNAP (aka food stamps), which aids many of these families and is the backbone of our national response to hunger.

"Given the struggles that continue to persist in Texas, it is outrageous that Congress is even debating cuts to nutrition programs like SNAP," said Celia Cole, CEO of the Texas Food Bank Network. "Our elected leaders should act to help, not hurt struggling families, and the first step is to pass a Farm Bill with no cuts to SNAP."

The report, published by the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) in coordination

with Gallup-Healthways Polling, is consistent with USDA data released earlier this month. The earlier federal data showed that 18.4% of Texas households were food insecure during the years 2010 to 2012. New data also released yesterday by the U.S. Census Bureau showed that the national poverty rate has remained at elevated rates since the recession began.

"All these data tell the same story — hunger and poverty rates spiked at the beginning of the recession and have stayed high ever since," said Cole. "Despite modest gains in the economy, people at the low end of the economic ladder are still struggling to afford basic needs like food. Cutting SNAP now would hurt these families and undermine our economic recovery."

The full food hardship analysis is available on FRAC's website ([www.frac.org](http://www.frac.org)). The Texas Food Bank Network provides a unified voice among food banks in support of their common mission to end hunger in Texas. Learn more at [TFBN.org](http://TFBN.org).

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**Ag Commissioner encourages teachers to nominate promising students for GROW Award by October 1st**

AUSTIN—As the 2013 school year gets underway, Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples reminds teachers, school administrators and community leaders across Texas to nominate promising students for the Texas Department of Agriculture's GROW Award. The award Gives Recognition for Outstanding Work to middle and high school student leaders who demonstrate excellence in their pursuits inside and outside the classroom.

"The future of the Lone Star State is in the hands of today's youth," Commissioner Staples said. "Leadership in the classroom, the lab, at home and in the field is vitally important to give students the training and experience needed to remain competitive in today's global job market. We were able to recognize some amazing students last school year, and I look forward to adding more young people to our distinguished list of GROW Award recipients."

The GROW award celebrates outstanding student leaders who demonstrate excellence in their academic or extracurricular activities. The award highlights a student's special interests, service to community and family, strong work ethic, leadership and overall character. Award recipients will receive an official certificate from Commissioner Staples and special recognition on the TDA website. Students can be nominated by community leaders such as teachers, coaches, school administrators, mayors, county judges or anyone else committed to recognizing youth leadership and achievement. A committee will choose a winner each month during the regular school year.

"Many people may not realize there are more than 200 different agriculture-related careers out there for our young people to explore," Commissioner Staples said. "Agriculture today is technically-advanced, diverse, efficient and innovative. It takes a close partnership with education to grow the knowledge and skills necessary to produce the clothes we wear, the homes we live in, the food we eat, and the medicines that heal us and the energy that powers our lives."

To nominate a promising middle or high school student in your area, visit [www.TexasAgriculture.gov](http://www.TexasAgriculture.gov). Applications are due Oct. 1, 2013. The first GROW award recipient of the 2013 school year will be announced on Oct. 15, 2013.

Commissioner Staples began recognizing Texas students with the GROW Award during the 2012 school year.

**Farmers Agent J.B. Cloud Wins Social Media Pit Crew National Competition**

Abilene, Texas—Farmers Agent JB Cloud has been won the Farmers Racing Social Media Pit Crew Competition, a National contest opened to all 14,000 Farmers Agents across the Country.

JB Cloud, a Farmers Agent in Abilene, Texas is known around the State for his 20+ years in radio, charity work and passion for music. Two years ago, JB changed careers to better plan for his family's future by becoming a Farmers Insurance Agent. He brought with him all of marketing skills he had learned along the way and it has paid off in a big way.

Farmers Insurance created a competition through Farmers Racing called the Social Media Pit Crew. This contest was opened to all 14,000 Farmers agents across the Country to reward their social media efforts with a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to live tweet from the pit area for the #5 Farmers car at NASCAR's October 20th race at the legendary Talladega race track. Agents had to include the hash tags #Farmers5 and the Farmers racing motto, #PlanToPerform in their tweets.

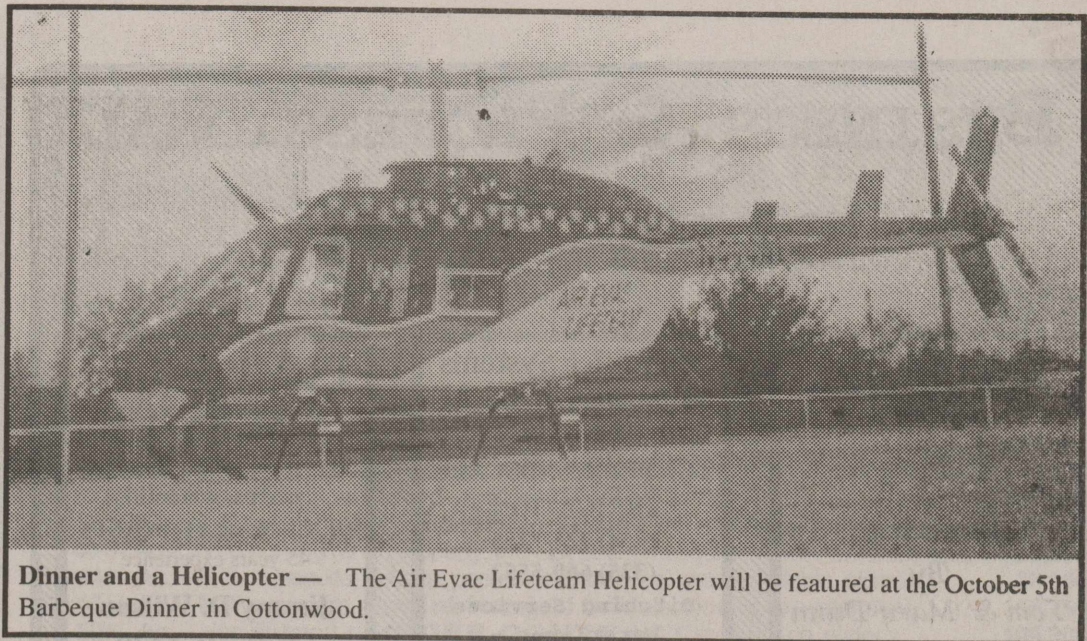
Out of all who entered a preliminary competition took place where agents took to Twitter to engage in Race Day conversation centered around the #5 NASCAR driven by Farmers Racing sponsored driver Kasey Kahne. The Top 10 agents were chosen to advance to the finals where they put their Twitter skills to the test for 3 consecutive weeks.

The competition ended and JB was notified on September 17th that his efforts had won him the grand prize which includes:

- A "Hot Pass" to watch and report on the race from the pit area
- Two grandstand passes
- Meet & Greet with Kasey Kahne
- Photo with Kasey Kahne
- Photo with Pit Crew and Crew Chief Kenny Francis
- Mention on corporate and Farmers Racing social media accounts
- Recognition plaque
- An iPad
- Airfare to Talladega for you and a guest
- Two nights in a hotel room and an iPad Mini for JB's District Manager, Scott Hodges of Wichita Falls.

JB's twitter handle is @jcloud and proudly displays Farmers Racing logos as well as the hash tags and JB's signature James Leddy Texas Flag boots.

This is a big win for JB Cloud, the Big Country, Farmers District 15, Farmers Racing and Texas.



Dinner and a Helicopter — The Air Evac Lifeteam Helicopter will be featured at the October 5th Barbeque Dinner in Cottonwood.

**Brisket Dinner & Helicopter in Cottonwood on October 5th**

The Air Evac Lifeteam Helicopter will be featured at the October 5th Barbeque Dinner in Cottonwood put on by the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group. Come out and see the helicopter, meet the Air Evac Lifeteam and enjoy a great barbeque dinner.

Chicken and Turkey all cooked by Fire Chief Joe are on the menu, along with homemade potato salad, beans and dessert. Dinner is \$6 and serving starts at 5:00 p.m.

The dinner will be held at the Fellowship Hall of the Cottonwood Baptist Church, located on FM 1079 in Cottonwood. Proceeds from the dinner will be used for maintenance and upkeep on the firetrucks and to purchase gas and supplies. Come on out to Cottonwood on October 5th and join us for dinner.

**Texas Prepaid College Tuition Enrollment Open**

AUSTIN—Texas Comptroller Susan Combs is reminding parents they can begin enrolling in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund®, the state's prepaid college tuition program. Open enrollment began this month and runs through Feb. 28, 2014.

"Saving for college is a very important part of family budgets," Combs said. "The Texas Tuition Promise Fund offers parents the chance to prepay for their child's education at Texas public colleges and universities at today's prices. The fund has flexible options that families can utilize to fit their budgets."

Families in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund purchase prepaid "tuition units" that can later be used toward undergraduate tuition and required fees at schools ranging from Texas public community colleges to four-year, in-state universities. Prices are based on 2013-14 academic year costs for the state's public colleges.

Type I units, priced for tuition and required fees for the most expensive public four-year school in Texas, cost \$118.06 per unit.

Type II units, based on the weighted average cost of tuition and required fees across all Texas public four-year schools,

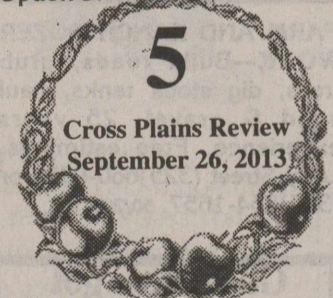
cost \$85.10 per unit. Type III units, priced at the weighted average cost of tuition and required fees across all Texas public two-year schools, cost \$21.71 each.

Under the plan, 100 units equal roughly one academic year consisting of 30 semester hours of tuition and required fees at the Texas public school that most closely matches the pricing base. Families can prepay for up to six years (600 Type I units or the equivalent amount of Type II and III units) of undergraduate tuition and required fees.

The plan's payment options include lump sum payments, installment payments that include 8 percent interest or a pay-as-you-go plan that allows parents to gradually add more units when the family budget allows. Payments can be as low as \$15 after an account is established by paying a one-time fee of \$25 and purchasing at least one unit.

The Texas Tuition Promise Fund is entering its sixth year. For more information about enrolling in the prepaid college tuition program, including a college cost calculator, go to [www.TexasTuitionPromiseFund.com](http://www.TexasTuitionPromiseFund.com) or call 1-800-445-GRAD (4723), Option 5.

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- TX Whelchel was Blair on "The Facts of Life"
- Houston Texans signed this Reed as a safety in 2013
- Beltre led Rangers in this stat in 2013
- 6-across recorded a album titled "All Because of You" in 1984
- person, place, or thing
- this Donley Co. town is not on a lake, despite it's name
- TX golfer Byron Nelson was a caddy at TX " Gardens" course
- Israeli armored personnel carrier said when your dog jumps on a guest? (2 wds.)
- TXism: "long as a country"
- flexible body
- whalebone
- TX capital offenders spend an average of ten death row before being executed
- TX-born John Hillerman was on TV's "Magnum, "
- TX Bentens served in the U.S. Senate
- TX shelters want us to adopt
- sixty seconds (abbr.)
- TXism: " little cane" (celebrate)
- working hard
- cash machine (abbr.)
- '70s dance clubs
- Chinese tree used for furniture oil
- TX actor Tommy Jones
- East TX has Long Pine trees
- TXism: "good boy"
- "yes" south of the border
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- this Jack was in '63 film "4 for Texas"
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- opposite of midnight
- mother of TX Ginger Rogers
- "I'm it on the down low"
- misbehaving
- TX Bill Paxton film: "True" ('94)
- former Cowboy star RB, Emmitt (init.)
- TX-OK natural border: River
- Belarus capital
- TXism: "he could out six-legged bobcat" (fast)
- stitch with a needle
- Las Vegas hotel: Palace
- TXism: "plain as the top line on chart"
- "Splish Splash" and "Dream Lover" singer (init.)
- hot tubs

**DOWN**

- this Farley founded Boys Ranch in TX
- TX Jamie Foxx was in this 2001 boxer film
- in Falls Co. on 77
- TXism: "you're (thinking alike)"
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- TXism: "he couldn't get elected fiddler"
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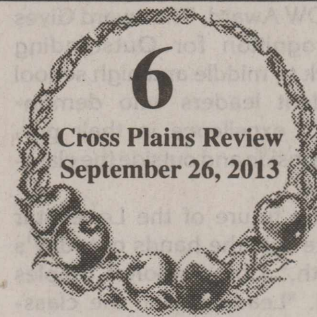
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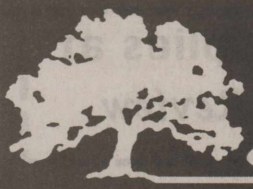
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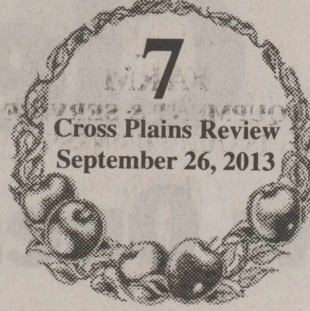
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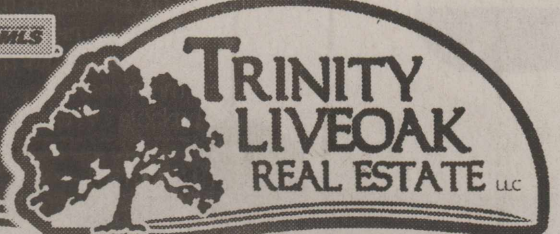
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## Nick Barton benefit Golf Tournament

Friends are hosting a benefit golf tournament to help EMS Nick Barton with medical expenses he incurred in a motorcycle accident last month.

The golf tournament will be held Saturday, October 5, 2013.

There will be a shotgun start at 8:00 a.m. at the Lake Sweetwater Municipal Golf Course in Sweetwater, Texas.

The tournament will be a 4

man scramble, cost to enter is \$300.00 per team, \$75.00 per person. Mulligan's 2 for \$10.00.

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Entries must be turned in by September 28, 2013.

If you have any questions or need an entry form please contact Steven Miller at 325-280-1856.

## CCA Texas Funds Two Game Warden Law Enforcement Internships

**Pledge of \$5,200 will Support Interns for 2014**

Houston, Texas - As part of its ongoing commitment to conserve and enhance the state's marine resource, Coastal Conservation Association Texas has announced that it will fund two Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Law Enforcement (LE) Summer Internships for candidates who are on the career path to become Texas Game Wardens.

"Our support of internships for fishery biologists and game wardens is at the heart of our mission. We need good science and enforcement to ensure the conservation gains we make are sustainable for future generations," said Ronnie Luster, Chairman of the TPWD Committee at CCA Texas. "The training and requirements to become a Texas Game Warden are among the most stringent in the nation, and CCA Texas is proud to provide support for qualified candidates in this challenging career."

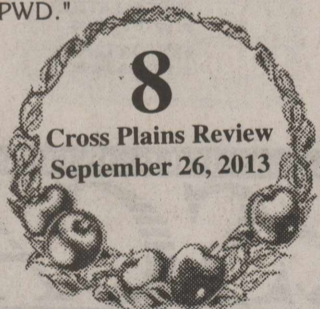
CCA Texas will provide a total of \$5,200 to fund two LE Interns, who will work part-time for 20 hours a week alongside Texas Game Wardens for a two-month

period during the summer.

"Through research I have been able to identify 24 LE Interns that are active duty Texas Game Wardens today," said Lieutenant Kevin Malonson, Texas Game Warden Recruiter. "I personally was drawn into this career path and within a 13 year period was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. I understand firsthand the importance of an internship and the mentoring associated with the hands-on experience one receives."

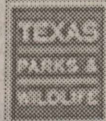
The Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation (TPWF) and a program known as The Al Henry Natural Resource Conservation Internship Program (NRCIP) will handle the receipt and dissemination of these particular funds granted by CCA Texas. The positions supported by CCA Texas will be concentrated along the Texas coastal areas, keeping in line with the organization's mission focus.

"It is a hands-on way to see if the job is a fit for both the intern and TPWD," said Luster. "This is just the continuation of our long standing support and working relationship with TPWD."



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## Texas remains national leader in job creation

AUSTIN — According to the Texas Workforce Commission's latest employment report, Texas remains the nation's leader in job creation. Texas' unemployment rate for August 2013 fell to 6.4 percent, well below the national average of 7.3 percent.

"The Texas Model of limited government, fiscal rectitude, and individual responsibility continues to keep the Lone Star State flourishing, even as the nation continues to struggle under Washington, D.C.'s mismanagement," said Vance Ginn, Ph.D., Center for Fiscal Policy Analyst at the Texas Public Policy Foundation. "The Texas unemployment rate has now been at or below the national average for a remarkable 80 consecutive months longer than the current President has been in office. In addition, the state's annual employment-growth rate of 2.5 percent continues to exceed the

national average. These are clear signs that no state income tax, low level of regulations, and relatively limited government spending are a solid foundation for prosperity."

Ginn added, "With Texas adding 274,700 jobs over the last year, or more than 10 percent of the national job growth, it is clear that other states, and Washington, D.C., can learn from Texas, especially given that Texas has seen the greatest year over year job growth of any state."

Vance Ginn, Ph.D., is a Policy Analyst in the Center for Fiscal Policy at the Texas Public Policy Foundation, a non-profit, free-market research institute based in Austin.

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## Callahan County Sheriff's Posse to host Hamburger Supper

On Saturday, October 12th at 6:00 p.m. the Callahan County Sheriff's Posse is hosting a membership drive and fundraiser, and extending an invitation to everyone in the area communities to come out and see all the work, cleaning, painting, welding and just general restoration that has been going on at the Rodeo Grounds and arena for the last two years.

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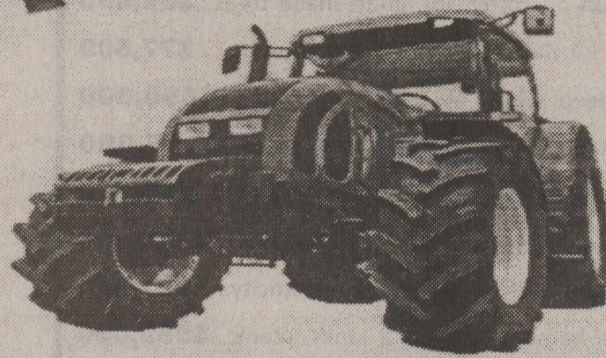
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## Third Annual Cottonwood Community Benefit Shoot

The Third Annual Cottonwood Community Benefit Shoot will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2013 at the Callahan County 4-H Shooting Range between Clyde and Baird.

5 Member Team Sponsors will compete in the 5 Stand Whiz Bang Sporting Clays event. Non shooting sponsors are welcome as well as walk up shooters. The shotgun games for the event are 5 Stand Sporting Clays, Skeet, Trap,

and Crazy Quail. It will be fun for all!

There will be a concession of hamburgers, chips, sodas and water.

A drawing will be held at the shoot for the Remington 870 Express 12 gauge Turkey Camo Shotgun at 2 p.m.

For additional information on the event, call Bill Bishop at 325-201-8888, or Adrian Allen at 325-280-7154, or Bob Robinson at 325-660-5771.

### POINTS TO REMEMBER



### SHARED PARENTING SERVICES

The OAG's Access and Visitation Directory lists programs that facilitate cooperative parenting after separation or divorce. The searchable directory is available in the child support section of the OAG website at [www.texasattorneygeneral.gov](http://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov).

The Access and Visitation Hotline's toll free number, (866) 292-4636, is answered in English and Spanish, Monday - Friday from 1 to 7 p.m.

Visit [www.txaccess.org](http://www.txaccess.org) to obtain downloadable legal forms and directions for completing them.

Although federal regulations do not allow the OAG to use child support funds to handle legal disputes about custody or visitation, limited special funding is available to assist in these matters.

For more information on these programs, or to apply for child support services, call (800) 252-8014 or visit the Attorney General's website.

Information on this and other topics is available on the Attorney General's website at [www.texasattorneygeneral.gov](http://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov)



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## New Child Welfare Board formed in Callahan County

The Callahan County Commissioners voted to approve the formation of a Child Welfare Board for Callahan County during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, September 23rd at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

The Child Welfare Board of Callahan County is comprised of eight members.

The Child Welfare Board held an introduction meeting with Child Protective Services Community Initiative Specialist for Region II Janet Jackson recently.

Members of the Child Welfare Board of Callahan County include: Dianne Gunter, Sharon Owens, Rhonda Vestal, Mary Mosley, Connie Kirkham, Debbie McElmurray and Donna Bell.

The Child Welfare Board continues to receive funding set up through a bank account started with a previous and now disbanded Child Welfare Board, and funds continue to go into the account from jurors donation from their jury duty checks, a board member said.

On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to approve the formation of a Child Welfare Board for Callahan County.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to order

at 9:35 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. Also attending the meeting were Sheriff Terry Joy and Sheriff's Deputy Larry Lemon.

—The minutes of the previous meetings were reviewed and signed.

—Under public comments, there was none.

—No action was taken on the Countywide Burn Ban. The Burn Ban remains lifted.

—Judge Corn made a motion to approve the deputation of Larry Lemon as a part-time deputy with the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve the Resolution of Agreement with Callahan County Aging Services. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to agree to the renewal of the lease agreement between Conterra Ultra Broadband and Callahan County. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion then passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve amending the budget. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to sign the Confirmation of Understanding the Services that Davis Kinard & Co. PC are to provide Callahan County for the year ending September 30, 2013. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion then passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to move the meeting of October 14, 2013, being Columbus Day, to October 15, 2013 starting at 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made the motion to keep the Sheriff's and Constable's fees the same as last year. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:05 a.m. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

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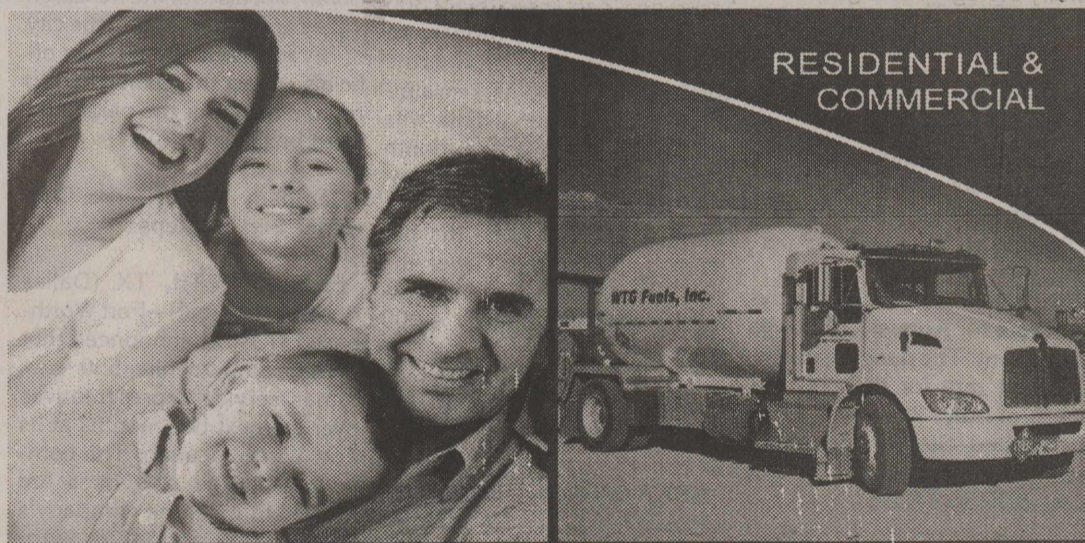


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# Callahan County's jobless rate drops to 4.7% in August

The unemployment rate in Callahan County dropped six-tenths of one percent to 4.7% in August 2013, according to jobless figures released Friday, September 20th by the Texas Workforce Commission. The unemployment rate in Callahan County one year ago in August 2012 was 5.3 percent.

UNEMPLOYMENT		
Callahan County Unemployment	July	Aug
	5.3%	4.7%

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 5.3% in July, 2013.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County included: 5.3% in June 2013, 5.2% in May, 4.5% in April, 4.8% in March, 5.2% in February, 5.3% in January, 4.5% in December 2012, 4.4% in November, 4.9% in October, and 4.9% in September, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and the counties' unemployment rates for August 2013 include: Brown, 5.8%; Coleman, 5.6%; Eastland, 5.8%; Jones, 6.4%; Runnels, 6.7%; Shackelford, 2.8%; Stephens, 4.9%; and Taylor County, 4.9%.

The Abilene MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) unemployment rate, which includes Taylor, Callahan and Jones Counties, stood at 5.0% in August, 2013, according to the Texas Workforce Commission. The Abilene MSA Combined Labor Force is 84,300. There were 80,100 employed during August 2013, while 4,200 were unemployed, giving the Abilene MSA an unemployment rate of 5.0%.

The Abilene MSA reported the workforce was 85,500 in July, 2013. Total employment of 80,800 was reported in July 2013, while 4,700, or 5.5% were unemployed in July 2013.

The Abilene MSA unemployment rate for August, 2012 was 5.5%. The total workforce was reported at 83,700, with 79,100 employed and 4,600 or 5.5% unemployed in August, 2012.

The state's unemployment rate for the month of August, 2013 was 6.3 percent. The total Texas labor force was 12,780,800 in August 2013. The total number of Texans employed is 11,981,900. The total number of unemployed Texans was 798,900 in August 2013.

Last month's statewide unemployment rate was 6.7 percent. The state's unemployment rate in August of 2012 was 6.9 percent.

The United States unemployment rate for August, 2013 was 7.3 percent. The nation's unemployment rate for the previous month of July, 2013 was 7.7%. The United States unemployment rate one year ago in August, 2012 was 8.2%.

## Highlights of the Texas Labor Force (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

- The August unemployment rate decreased four-tenths of a percentage point to 6.3 percent. This was the second consecutive month in which the rate declined and was the lowest August rate since 2008. The unemployment

rate decreased 0.6 percentage points over the year. The national unemployment rate also declined four-tenths of a percentage point over the month to 7.3 percent. This was the 81st consecutive month in which the Texas rate has been at or below the national unemployment rate.

- The Civilian Labor Force fell by 87,400 Texans to reach a level of 12,780,800 people. This was the first month in which the Civilian Labor Force declined since November 2012. The July to August five-year-average decline was 46,000 persons. Over the year, the Civilian Labor Force grew by 207,900 individuals, a growth rate of 1.7 percent.

- In August, the number of employed Texans decreased by 28,900 individuals to a total of 11,981,900 persons. This was the third drop in the number of jobholders this year. Over the year, the number of employed in Texas increased by 281,500 people, a growth rate of 2.4 percent. The number of Texans seeking work totaled 798,900 persons, down by 58,500 people over the month. This was the largest monthly decline in the number of jobseekers since January. There has been a drop of 73,600 jobseekers over the year.

- The unemployment rate dropped in 24 Metropolitan Statistical Areas over the month while one remained unchanged. The Lubbock MSA had the largest rate change, falling 0.7 percentage points over the month. The lowest unemployment rate was held by the Midland MSA at 3.2 percent.

- The number of Texans seeking continued unemployment insurance decreased by 9,300 people over the month to 131,200 claimants. This was the third monthly decline in claimants since January. This was also the largest over-the-month decline in the number of claimants seeking unemployment insurance benefits since the beginning of the year. Over the year, the number of Texans seeking benefits declined by 4,000 claimants.

## HAPPENINGS AROUND THE STATE

**USAA to Bring Jobs to Plano**  
PLANO, TX (Dallas Morning News)—San Antonio-based insurer and financial services firm USAA will locate almost 700 high-tech jobs in a Plano office complex it bought earlier this year. USAA is turning the former AT&T campus in West Plano's Legacy business park into an information technology center. USAA received \$5 million from Governor Rick Perry's Texas

Enterprise Fund to help create the employment center located just east of the Dallas North Tollway. USAA and the governor's office said the new IT center will cost more than \$31 million and employ 680 workers.

USAA chief executive Joe Robles said in a statement, "USAA is growing and, as the demand for USAA products and services increases, so does our need to access the best talent in different markets. Texas has been our home for more than 90 years, and we are very happy to be expanding in Plano." USAA has been expanding its Dallas-area operations for several years. It has a 200 employee financial advisory operation on the tollway in Addison. USAA provides insurance and financial services for 9.8 million customers.

## Steel Mill Breaks Ground

**BRYAN, TX (Bryan Eagle)**—The City of Bryan has officially broken ground on a new steel mill, which will be the largest private manufacturer in Brazos County. Axis Pipe and Tube began construction on its plant and it is expected to be open in the summer of 2014. Bryan and Brazos County officials announced the deal back in early May.

Bryan Mayor Jason Bienski said the state-of-the-art facility will generate between 285 and 300 jobs in the short term, but may generate as many as 500 in the long haul. The workers will make an average salary of \$40,000. "This is probably one of the biggest things to happen in Bryan. It's a good day for Bryan, but also for the Research Valley and areas around the city of Bryan," Bienski said. City officials expect the plant will spur more activity for the plant's related business.

## Company Seeks More Customer Service Reps

**FORT WORTH, TX (Dallas Business Journal)**—Fort Worth-based NOVO I announced that it is looking to hire 550 customer service representatives over the next two months at its Fort Worth location. The company said the new hires are needed to meet the company's 30 percent annual growth. NOVO I is a customer experience solution company. The company's Fort Worth center is near Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport.

Human Resources Manager Cathy Graham said NOVO I is looking for licensed and unlicensed health insurance advisers and general customer ser-

vice representatives. NOVO I said it has both seasonal and permanent full-time positions available with competitive pay and benefits. Besides Fort Worth, NOVO I has centers in Denison and Highland Park.

## General Dynamics IT to Hire

**WACO, TX (Waco Tribune Herald)**—General Dynamics Information Technology reportedly wants to hire 300 people for its customer contact center in the Greater Waco area. The company said in May it would open a call center in the former Blue Cross Blue Shield building. Officials said they hoped to begin hiring up to 440 people and possibly could put 700 on the payroll if demand dictated. General Dynamics has evolved from primarily a provider of tanks, ships and submarines to the Department of Defense to include an IT component that is its fastest growing segment, according to the company. Based in Virginia, the company provides IT services to defense, intelligence, and civilian agencies and commercial customers.

## New Facility Will Add Jobs

**GREENVILLE, TX (Greenville Herald-Banner)**—Caleb Slinkard—Greenville received news from Governor Rick Perry's office that Fritz Industries Inc. will be opening a manufacturing and office facility in the former Newell-Rubbermaid plant, creating 250 jobs and \$37.5 million in capital investment. The state is providing \$800,000 for the development through the Texas Enterprise Fund.

Governor Perry said, "This TEF investment in Fritz Industries will create hundreds of jobs in Greenville, pump millions of dollars in capital into the local economy, and further strengthen our state's economy." Fritz Industries manufactures products used in oil drilling and conducts research and development to improve productivity in new oil and gas wells. "Fritz Industries is an employee-owned, Texas-based company, and we are proud to make this significant investment in the city of Greenville," Fritz Industries President and CEO Dan Montgomery said.

## Wal-Mart to Hire 300

**VICTORIA, TX (Victoria Advocate)**—Hiring is underway for Victoria's incoming Wal-Mart at 4001 Houston Highway. Both full-time and part-time positions are available, store manager Laura Rivera said in a news release from Mitchell Communications Group. Through Wal-Mart's Veterans Welcome Home Commitment, the company will offer work to any qualified veteran honorably discharged within the past 12 months. "We are excited to add a new Wal-

Mart to Victoria and bring good jobs with great career opportunities to the area," Rivera said. Most new associates will begin work before the store opens this fall.

## California Tech Company Expands to Austin

**AUSTIN, TX (Austin American-Statesman)**—Kirk Ladendorf—A California company that makes smart thermostats is teaming with a tech outsourcing company to create about 140 technical support and customer service jobs in Austin. Nest Labs Inc. of Palo Alto, California, said it was working with Spot BPO of Austin to expand Nest Labs' technical and customer support operations. Nest Labs makes the Nest Learning Thermostat that personalizes its controls and conserves energy, which can reduce home heating and cooling bills by up to 20 percent. The thermostat is remotely programmable with a smart phone. The Nest Labs call center is located in the Bergstrom Technology Center in Southeast Austin.

## Retail Project to Bring Jobs to Tyler

**TYLER, TX (KLTV)**—The city of Tyler announced plans for a massive new retail center, which they hope will bring new jobs and visitors to the city. The new development will be in South Tyler. Tyler Mayor Barbara Bass calls this the biggest private investment project in Tyler's history. "To have this size of a development coming into Tyler, Texas is something that you get once in a lifetime. It will change the face of Tyler as a retail destination," said Mayor Bass.

The center could also bring hundreds of new retail jobs to the city, as well as an increase in tax revenue. The project will convert 80 acres of empty and wooded property into a 700,000-square-foot retail space including stores, restaurants, and entertainment venues. Part of the site will also be home to Tyler's proposed hotel and convention center.

## MetroPCS Will Add Jobs in San Antonio

**SAN ANTONIO, TX (San Antonio Business Journal)**—MetroPCS is rolling out its no-contract wireless service to customers in San Antonio as it expands into new markets made possible by its recent merger with T-Mobile USA. The Richardson, Texas-based wireless carrier is opening 32 new retail locations in San Antonio. The 32 new dealer-owned retail locations will each include at least two MetroPCS employees as well as other store staff. MetroPCS executive vice president Tom Keys estimates the expansion will create about 150 new jobs at minimum.

## Texas Unemployment Rate Falls to 6.4 Percent in August 274, 700 Jobs Added Over The Year

**AUSTIN** — The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Texas fell to 6.4 percent in August, down from 6.5 percent in July, and from 6.8 percent a year ago. Texas' unemployment rate remained below the national unemployment rate of 7.3 percent. Between August 2012 and August 2013, Texas has added 274,700 jobs.

An upward revision of July's total nonfarm employment figures showed 36,800 jobs added. Total nonfarm employment in August decreased slightly by a net total of 6,400 jobs. Texas has added 26,600 jobs over the last three months.

"Every major industry in Texas showed positive annual job growth and Texas employers added 274,700 jobs over the year," said Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chairman Andres Alcantar. "We encourage Texans to visit their local Workforce Solutions office to access the many job search tools available to them free of charge."

Employers in Mining and Logging expanded their payrolls in August, adding 1,900 jobs to the industry, which has the highest annual growth rate among the major industries in Texas at 5.5 percent.

"A number of industries are showing strength in Texas, including Manufacturing, which grew by 2,600 jobs in August," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. "Individuals looking for work in Texas should visit [WorkInTexas.com](http://WorkInTexas.com) to find new opportunities in our state."

Professional and Business Services added 2,900 jobs over the month. Over the year this industry has added 58,200 jobs for a 4.1 percent annual growth rate.

"Texans continued to find jobs in the Education and Health Services industry, which added 6,700 jobs in August for a total of 39,700 jobs since last year," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Hope Andrade. "Overall, the state's private sector continued to grow at nearly 3.0 percent annually."

The Midland Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) had the lowest August unemployment rate in the state at 3.2 percent. The Odessa MSA came in second at 3.9 percent and the Amarillo MSA third at 4.7 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

Audio downloads from TWC Chairman Andres Alcantar on the latest labor market data are available at: [www.texasworkforce.org/news/press/2013/press-releases-2013.html#pressReleaseAudio](http://www.texasworkforce.org/news/press/2013/press-releases-2013.html#pressReleaseAudio).

## The United Family offers \$5 grocery rebate on flu shot purchases throughout September

**LUBBOCK** — In efforts to help guests prevent illness this cold and flu season, The United Family is launching "The Flu Ends With U" program, through which all West Texas locations of United Supermarkets, Market Street and Amigos are offering a \$5 grocery coupon to guests who purchase a flu vaccine throughout the month of September.

In addition to a typical flu shot, stores will also carry FluMist™, a nasal vaccine indicated for persons between 2 and 49 years of age. This year, flu shots can be purchased for \$25 and FluMist™ for \$30.

"We know it's important to stay healthy throughout the cold and flu season so we are offering the convenience of getting flu shots at the same place you already shop," said Tim Purser, business director of pharmacy for The United Family. "The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends annual influenza vaccinations

for everyone age 6 months or older, and especially for people at high risk of influenza complications, including pregnant women, older adults and young children."

The United Family Pharmacy Clinical Services also offers vaccinations to businesses in the convenience of their own office. This service minimizes employee sick days, inconvenience and time away from the office. Businesses can reserve their time by visiting [marketsstreetunited.com/flu-shots-for-business](http://marketsstreetunited.com/flu-shots-for-business).

"Though flu shots are helpful, everyone should take appropriate measures to protect themselves and their families from the virus," added Purser.

Below are five easy ways to help you stay healthy this flu season:

- **Wash your hands often.** People often catch colds and the flu by rubbing their nose or their eyes after their hands have been contaminated with a virus.

- **Routinely disinfect surfaces with soap and water (including toys).** It may also help to wipe surfaces with paper towels that can be thrown away or cloth towels that can be washed.

- **Practice "cough etiquette".** Turn your head to cough or sneeze into a disposable tissue or the inside of your elbow if you don't have a tissue. Coughing or sneezing onto your hands will spread germs to everything you touch.

- **Use a reusable water bottle.** Avoid using public water fountains, which may become contaminated with germs, especially during cold and flu season.

- **Avoid close contact with people when you are ill.** Don't go to work, school, daycare, etc., if you are ill with the flu. Stay home and rest.

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## Second meeting set this Monday in Baird Callahan Co. Historical Commission seeks marker, preservation ideas

Do you know history worthy of a Texas Historical Marker or a historic building that needs to be preserved? The Callahan County Historical Commission (CCHC) invites you to share your ideas (Callahan County only) with us.

Three meetings are scheduled for you to tell us what history you think is important.

The first meeting was held in Cross Plains on Tuesday, September 17th, in the Cross Plains Public Library at 149 N. Main Street at 6:30 p.m.

The second meeting will take place at Vada's Eats & Sweets at 331 Market Street in Baird on

Monday, September 30th at 6:00 p.m.

The third meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8th in Clyde at the Pizza House located at 725 So. Access Road at 6:00 p.m.

If possible, please bring for our files addresses, copies of photos and any information you have to support your ideas.

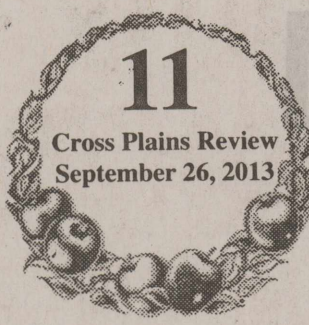
Historical Markers can commemorate a building, business, person, organization or event. To qualify for a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark, a building must have maintained its historic architectural integrity for at

least the last 50 years.

Markers are included to educate and promote tourism. Callahan County currently has 31 historical markers throughout the county.

Looking for Texas Historical Markers close to you? Did you know there's an app, "TexasMarkers," for that? You can also search the Texas Historical Commission Atlas at <http://www.thc.state.tx.us/preserve/texas-historic-sites-atlas>.

Please feel free to attend any of the meetings. For more information, call CCHC chair, Judy Luter at (254) 725-7222.



## Hunter Safety Course is October 12th in Clyde

There will be a Hunter Safety Course on Saturday, October 12th at Bible Baptist Church in Clyde.

The course will be a one day format as per the new Texas Parks and Wildlife regulations.

The course will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the Gymnasium and be done by 8:00 p.m.

"We are doing it this way to work around Pecan Fest," course officials said.

All persons must be pre-registered to attend.

The instructors for the course will be Michael Driscoll and a Texas Game Warden.

**Who is required to take Texas Hunter Education?**

• Every hunter (including out-of-state hunters) born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, must successfully complete a Hunter Education Training Course. Minimum age of certification is 9 years of age.

• If you were born on or after September 2, 1971 and you are: —under 9 years of age, you must be accompanied\*.

—age 9 through 16, you must successfully complete a hunter education course, or you must be accompanied\*.

—age 17 and over, you must successfully complete a hunter education course; or purchase a "Hunter Education Deferral" and you must be accompanied\*.

Please call or text: Michael Driscoll 325-338-2857 to register.

The course cost is \$15.00 in cash at the start of the course. The cost is a "state mandated fee."

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# Cancer Fund Event For October 12th

**5K & 10K Walk/Run and Kids Games & Obstacle Course Featured at Cancer Fund and Memory Walk on Saturday, October 12th.**

A 5K and a 10K Walk/Run/Waddle will lead off the **Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund Event and Memory Walk on Saturday, October 12th.** The event is sponsored by Gary Moses and the National Honor Society. Entry fee for the Walk/Run/Waddle is \$25 and include a t-shirt.

The Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund Event and Memory Walk will be held at the Cross Plains ISD Football field starting at 5:00 p.m. on October 12th rain or shine. Admission to the event is **FREE**. All proceeds from the booths, games and food at the event benefit the Cancer Fund.

Plan how you'll decorate your booth around this year's theme-- "Old Time Country Fair & Circus." Awards will be given for "Best Decorated Booth," as well as for the booth or team that raises the most money for the Cancer Fund. Call Cindy Payne at 325-660-2428, Dannes Turner at 325-669-5583 or Melissa Richards and let them know that your business or organization will

be having a food or game booth at the event.

Get your walking team together. Let Crystal McDaniel know you'll be having a team. Her number is 325-660-8107.

Kids will enjoy the 40 foot inflatable Obstacle Course where they can jump, climb and crawl on the course, squeeze through tubes, and slide down the slide. They'll also enjoy jumping on the bounce house and playing kids games.

The High School Cheerleaders will have a "Pop the Balloons Game." The Key Club will be doing Face Painting and having a tow sack race. FCCLA will be having a plunger and ball race. The Ag Department will set up a petting zoo.

Kids of all ages will enjoy the Cake/Prize Walk and playing Bingo. You can also take a guess at how much candy is in the Student Council's candy jar. Enjoy lots of food as you stroll from booth to booth at the event.

Luminaries and Lighted Balloons are available for the Memory Walk, a beautiful chilling feature of the event, where the lights are dimmed, and the walkers make the final walk around the track while the names

of those loved ones we've lost to cancer are read aloud. The balloons with their light's glowing are then released to the sky. You can get your lighted balloons and luminaries 'lighted sacks' at Texas Heritage Bank or during the event.

Baked goods and prizes are needed for the Cake/Prize Walk and for Bingo. Items are needed for the Silent Auction, the Live Auction and for Prize Drawings. If you or your business have something you'd like to donate, please let either Cindy, Dannes or Melissa know.

Each year the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund Event and Memory Walk gets bigger and bigger thanks to the dedication and awesome support from organizations, churches, businesses and devoted individuals in Cross Plains and the surrounding communities.

Started in 2006 when Kathy Purvis had the idea to assist local cancer patients with gas and food expenses as they traveled to and from doctor's appointments, the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund has helped 21 cancer patients and has distributed approximately \$14,000 during the past year.

## Annual Community Wide Yard Sale, October 5

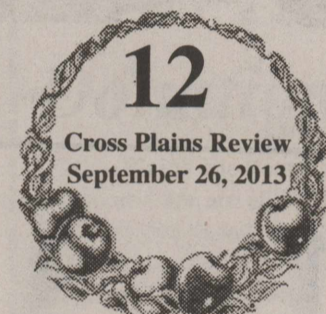
The Annual Community Wide Sale, the first Saturday in October, is only ten days away, which is still time for you to do it! Sponsored by the local chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, you can join in by signing up for your sale to be publicized by BSP, with maps of sales given out to residents and "drivers by".

The sale will be advertised from 8am to 2pm, or you can specify the time of closing on the map.

To register your sale, call Wanda Merry at 725-0099. A fee of \$4.00 for individuals or \$6.00 for organizations will help with publicity costs.

If you have one or more items to donate to BSP for their sale, tell Wanda and we will gladly pick up or you can bring it to our sale on Saturday morning.

Proceeds from BSP sales will be used for scholarships. BSP is a non-collegiate organization which emphasizes friendship and fellowship, and promotes service to the community as well as cultural development of its members.



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## Rising Star 2nd Annual Homecoming Concert

The Rising Star Park Improvement Committee would like to invite you to our 2nd Annual Homecoming Concert located at the Rising Star City Park on October 5th from 8:00 p.m. to Midnight.

Bobby Dean and Timeless Country will be playing. The cost is \$5 per person and \$10 charge per cooler if you would like to bring your own refreshments. No glass containers and be prepared to show your ID. All proceeds from this event will go towards paying for the playground equipment located at the City Park.

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## Condensed analyses of Constitutional Amendment Election Proposition #3

Texas voters, including those from Callahan County, will go to the polls Tuesday, November 5th to cast ballots on nine Constitutional Amendment propositions.

Early voting for the 2013 Texas Constitutional Amendment Election will begin on Monday, October 21st at three voting locations in Callahan County. Early voting is taking place at the Callahan County Courthouse located at 100 West 4th Street in Baird, the Clyde Justice of the Peace Office located at 208 Oak Street in Clyde and the Cross Plains Justice of the Peace Office located at 424 South Main in Cross Plains. The last day to vote by early ballot is Friday, November 1st.

The last day to register to vote in this year's Constitutional Amendment Election is Monday, October 7th. The last day to apply for ballot by mail (received, not postmarked, is Friday, October 25th.)

A brief condensed analyses on each of the nine Constitutional Amendments will be published by the Cross Plains Review over the coming weeks. The Condensed Analyses of Proposed Constitutional Amendments on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, Election was prepared by the staff of the Texas Legislature.

### Amendment No. 3 (H.J.R. 133)

The constitutional amendment to authorize a political subdivision of this state to extend the number of days that aircraft parts that are exempt from ad valorem taxation due to their location in this state for a temporary period may be located in this state for purposes of qualifying for the tax exemption.

**Summary of Proposed Amendment.** H.J.R. 133 proposes to amend Section 1-j,

Article VIII, Texas Constitution, to authorize the governing body of a political subdivision (such as a municipality, county, or school district) to extend the date by which aircraft parts held by a business in Texas that are exempt from property taxation as "freepoint goods" must be transported outside the state in order to retain tax-exempt status. Under the proposed amendment, a governing body could extend the date that such aircraft parts must be exported to not later than the 730th day (the second year) after the date the taxpayer acquired or imported the aircraft parts in this state instead of the 175th day as is currently required by law. The proposed amendment would authorize the legislature to provide the manner by which a governing body could extend the period of time. In addition, the proposed amendment provides that an extension would apply only to the exemption from property taxation by the political subdivision adopting the extension. The proposed amendment would apply only to a tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2014.

### Summary of Comments Made About the Proposed Amendment.

The following paragraphs are based on comments made about the amendment during the legislative process and generally summarize the main arguments supporting or opposing the amendment.

**Comments by Supporters.** The current 175-day limit on how long certain tangible personal property may be held in a Texas business's inventory to qualify for a freepoint tax exemption unfairly disqualifies aircraft parts, which generally are held in inventory for longer periods of time. Aircraft parts may not be

needed by a customer for many months, so an inventory does not turn over very quickly. In addition, the raw materials for the parts may be in limited production, requiring Texas aircraft parts suppliers to purchase in bulk and maintain large inventories for long periods to have parts on hand when needed. If the parts are detained in Texas for more than 175 days after the date the suppliers acquire or import the parts, the parts do not qualify for the current exemption. This tax burden places Texas aircraft parts suppliers at a competitive disadvantage with suppliers located in other states where goods destined for out-of-state shipment are exempt from property taxation. Although the freepoint exemption was authorized as a business incentive, the current time frame for turning around inventory is too short to meet the needs of the Texas aviation industry and may be a deterrent to business relocations to Texas or expansion of operations already in Texas.

**Comments by Opponents.** No comments opposing the proposed amendment were made during the house and senate committee hearings or during the debate on the amendment in the house and senate chambers.

However, questions raised in house floor debate about the cost of the amendment to local governments, as well as costs to the state when offsetting lost school district tax revenue through the school finance system, remain unanswered because the number of taxing units that would extend the freepoint exemption period under the amendment, and the taxable value of the parts that would become subject to the exemption, cannot be predicted.

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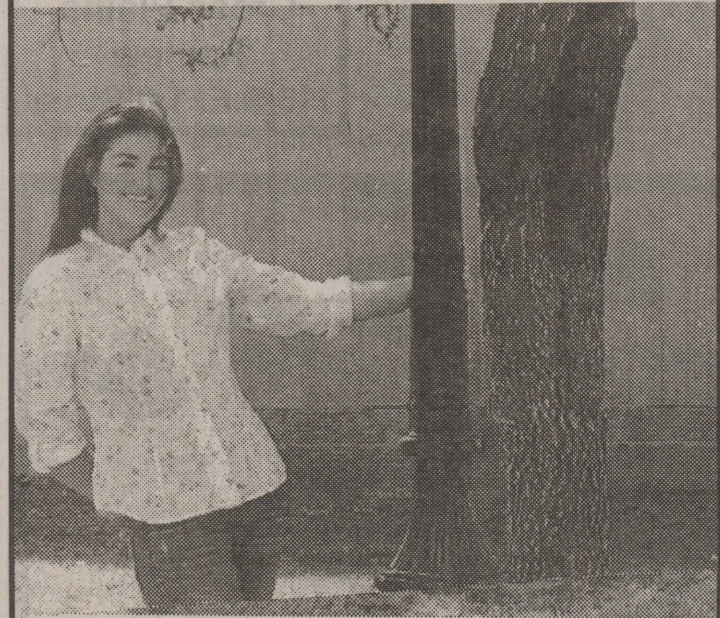
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**Weight Warriors**

Weight Warriors met Tuesday, Sept. 17th, for their regular weekly meeting. Sixteen were in attendance which included one newcomer, who was welcomed by all. Celebrations and challenges were shared with each other after the weigh-in. The celebration bracelet was passed to one of our newest members. She became this week's biggest loser and will have the privilege to wear the bracelet as evidence of her good choices.

We have a young lady in our group who has lost ninety two -- YES -- 92 pounds in the past year. Her name is Nicole Dugger. If you knew her before she lost those pounds, and have not seen her in a while, well, you are in for big shock when you see her now...At weight warriors she is known as our "Poster Child". She is an inspiration to every one there. Her diligence and "Never Give Up" attitude has really been a great benefit to her and the other members. She is pictured here this week in her Before and After picture. If you see Nicole around town, give her a big HIGH FIVE. She might even share her story with you.

Weight Warriors meet every Tuesday at 5:30 at First United Methodist Church. Anyone is welcome to come for weight loss support, fun, and fellowship. There is no charge---only donations to our local food pantry, which serves our community. So as we reduce our food consumption, we are helping others.



**OCTOBER 4**

- Eric Tyler
- Nicky Barron
- Pam Strength
- Dennis Beeler
- Willie Blanton
- Debra (Brown) Clark
- Mrs. B.A. Lutrell
- Geneva Woody
- Jarrah Paige McNutt
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- Mrs. H.W. Gossett
- Michelle Cox
- Robert Phillips
- Wilma Lawrence
- Dusty Spenser

**OCTOBER 5**

- Eric Womack
- Lon Duncan
- G.A. Gossett, Jr.
- J.T. Duncan
- Brian Lee Hayes
- Eric Johnson
- Tancrede Flippin
- Marie Sykes

**OCTOBER 6**

- Skeet Walker
- Teri Coburn
- Kay Reed
- Mrs. Mac Coppinger
- Madenia (Stansbury) Palmore
- Mrs. L.L. Hill
- Pamela Thetford
- Amber Dawn Wilson
- Eugene Bates
- Paula Kay (Hanke) Cole

**OCTOBER 7**

- Junior Lee
- Burlie W. Taylor
- Mary Jo Davis
- Sandra Sanders
- Ricky Kirkham
- Jan (Strickland) Baker
- Mrs. Ledford Joe Smith
- Jan Wagner
- Eldon Connell
- Lee Ann Dominiquez
- Oran Bains
- Wendall Johnson
- Allison Rhodes
- Rhonda Kemp
- Tommy Phillips
- Edna O' Banion
- Katie Yates
- Rye Colt Crawford
- Sawyer Scout Switzer
- Jackie Palmore
- Katie Goins

**OCTOBER 8**

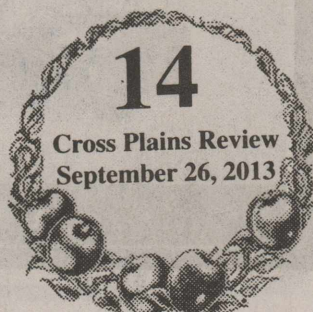
- Lance Connelly
- Chance Connelly
- Dolores (Byrd) Magee
- Terry Lee Havens
- Mrs. Hoyt Byrd
- Gary A. Thomas
- Amy Kate DeBusk
- Billy Pope
- Tony Apple
- Jennifer Canales
- Jack Sykes

**OCTOBER 9**

- Cheyenne Beaty
- J.J. Nickerson
- Bill Freeman
- Kimberly Ashley
- Kim (Jones) Sweetman
- Mrs. J.T. Myers
- Betty Lewis
- Mrs. Tommy Smith
- Dorothea Dillard

**OCTOBER 10**

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(Non-Profit Organization)  
April 1, 2013- September 1, 2013

On behalf of The Pioneer Cemetery Board, Community and those who have loved ones in the cemetery, we would like to thank you for your financial support. As always it is deeply appreciated. It cost very much to maintain the cemetery. We depend on your gifts, burial/reservation fees, and investment income. We strive to take care of your money and spend it wisely. Thank you gain and we ask that you continue your support.

**Gifts and Memorials**

\$100 - Brownie L. King I/M of Agness Baskin and Joe H. Kendrick  
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\$25 - D.P. Jones  
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\$100 - Geraldine Underwood

I/M of Junior Underwood  
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\$44.44 - Umberson Estate - Westbrook Thompson  
\$100 - Glenda Phillips  
I/M of Vernon Phillips  
\$500 - Barr Fabrications - Bo and Sandra Barr  
\$25 - Unknown Ex Student Association  
**\$1,554.44 TOTAL**

Donations may be sent to the following:

**Pioneer Historical Association**  
Wanda Nelson, Treasurer  
200 Wills Way  
Early, TX 76802

**Pioneer Historical Association**  
Texas Heritage Bank  
P.O. Box 699  
Cross Plains, TX 76443

Submitted by  
Wanda Nelson  
Treasurer

**Cattle Baron's Ball is this Saturday at Lytle Band Ranch**

Abilene, Texas — In its 20<sup>th</sup> year, the Abilene Cattle Baron's Ball will be hosted at Lytle Bend Ranch on Saturday, September 28, to benefit the American Cancer Society's efforts to save lives and create a world with less cancer and more birthdays.

The evening consist of live entertainment by The Rankin Twins and known-actor John Corbett, live and silent auctions, casino games, all-night dancin', cow patty bingo, horseshoes, and a wine toss. With less than two months until the event, sponsorships and tables are going fast according to American Cancer Society staff, Jacque Thweatt.

"We're gearing up for our largest event yet," said Thweatt. "With the big-name entertainers, John Corbett and The Rankin Twins, mouth-watering good food, games, amazing auction items — all to benefit the American Cancer Society and its mission of saving lives — we're bound to have a great time!"

Joe Allen's will tickle the taste buds with hors d'oeuvres, a full dinner buffet, and a dessert station. And, be sure to catch the live auction, including tickets to see the Dallas Cowboys take on the Green Bay Packers generously donated by Black Plumbing, and a pair of yellow gold earrings with black onyx and diamonds valued at \$6,000 along with other great items.

For tickets and more information, visit [www.AbileneCattleBaronsBall.org](http://www.AbileneCattleBaronsBall.org) or call the Abilene American Cancer Society office

at 672-3705.

For 20 years, patrons have enjoyed a nonstop, tootin' good time at the Cattle Baron's Ball. Throughout that time, the ball raised nearly \$1 million for the fight against cancer. Proceeds will benefit American Cancer Society's efforts to save lives by helping people stay well and get well, by finding cures, and by fighting back.

**About the American Cancer Society**

The American Cancer Society combines an unyielding passion with nearly a century of experience to save lives and end suffering from cancer. As a global grassroots force of more than three million volunteers, we fight for every birthday threatened by every cancer in every community. We save lives by helping people stay well through prevention and early detection; helping people get well through hands-on support; by finding cures through groundbreaking research; and by fighting back through public policy efforts. As the nation's largest non-governmental investor in cancer research, contributing about \$3.4 billion, we turn what we know about cancer into what we do. As a result, more than 11 million people in America who have had cancer and countless more who have avoided it will be celebrating birthdays this year. To learn more about us or to get help, call us anytime, day or night, at 1-800-227-2345 or visit [cancer.org](http://cancer.org).

**T.C. Fambro & The Copperheads to Play Homecoming Street Dance Oct. 5**

The Moran Ex-Student and Teacher Association is reminding all Moran exes and friends that they are invited to attend this year's homecoming in October 4-5. In addition to the pep rally downtown Friday afternoon, the homecoming game between the Moran Bulldogs and Paint Creek Pirates will kickoff at 7:30 Friday evening at Bulldog Stadium. Prior to the game, the 5th annual Moran Luncheon Club exes dinner will be held in the school cafeteria from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00. Brisket plates will be sold.

Homecoming activities on Saturday will include a reception at the Community Center and Moran Historical Museum open house during the morning, a lunch at the Legion Hall hosted by the Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star members, the traditional homecoming assembly and program at the gym beginning at 2:00, a dedication ceremony for a Moran Cemetery historical

marker after the program, a 1970's exes party at the Community Center beginning at 5:00 as well as other local reunion parties, and a street dance to conclude the homecoming activities that evening. The popular T.C. Fambro and the Copperheads band of Breckenridge will headline the street dance downtown on Saturday night. The dance begins at 8:00 pm and will continue until midnight. Everyone is invited. Admission will be \$7.00 per person and \$12.00 per couple.

Street dance enthusiasts are encouraged to bring their lawn chairs to relax in between dances, as there will be minimal seating. For more information, please call (325) 945-3145, 945-2199 or e-mail [moranhomecoming@aol.com](mailto:moranhomecoming@aol.com). Like us on Facebook page — search for "Moran Messenger, Moran, Texas".

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—Love Carrie



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**More Elvis Sightings!**

Elvis was seen at the Senior Citizens' Center but, by the time we got there, all that was left were fried chicken crumbs. If you spot Elvis, please call the Cross Plains Public Library at 254-725-7722

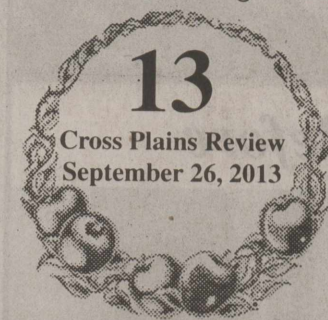
**Farm Bureau annual meeting is October 8th**

The Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau annual meeting will be held Tuesday, October 8, 2013 beginning at 6:30 P.M. at the Baird Activity Center in Baird, according to Sam Snyder, county president.

A fish fry and desserts will be catered by Cook's Fish Barn of Comanche to members prior to the meeting. Farm Bureau members and their immediate families will be served at no charge. There will a drawing for door prizes.

The main purpose of this annual meeting is to adopt policies for the coming year. Also, new Directors will be elected at this time, as will voting delegates to represent our county at the State Convention to be held in San Antonio, Texas on Dec 7-9, 2013.

Please call the Farm Bureau office at 325-854-1044 for reservations if you plan on attending.



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