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Cross Plains Review

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THURSDAY, August 5, 2010

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101st YEAR

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

NUMBER 21

Texas Hunters for the Hungry Wraps up 20th Season

This year, the Texas Hunters for the Hungry program provided 167,840 pounds of venison to nearly 100 organizations that serve low income people across Texas. The program, administered by the Texas Association of Community Action Agencies, Inc. (TACAA), wrapped up its 20th season in 2009-2010. Over the last two decades, Hunters for the Hungry has distributed approximately two million pounds of venison that equals nearly eight million servings of meat.

Hunters for the Hungry is gearing up for the 2010-2011 season and it's easy to participate. Hunters bring their tagged, legally harvested deer to a participating meat processor and pay a nominal fee for processing costs. The

meat processor grinds the venison into burger, packages, and stores it for local food assistance providers to pick up and distribute throughout their community. All meat donated to the program is distributed to families and individuals in need through local food banks, food pantries, and soup kitchens.

If you are a hunter, a food assistance provider, or a meat processor interested in helping feed the hungry in your community, call 1-800-992-9767, ext. 506, or visit www.tacaa.org/hunters.htm. Monetary donations to support the program are always welcome.

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

Memorial Fund Established for Dana Hall

The Love Fund established earlier for Dana Hall (Account 333433) at Texas Heritage Bank, has been changed to a Memorial Fund to assist with her funeral expenses. Dana passed away unexpectedly Monday, August 3rd, at an Abilene hospital.

Your kind generosity will be greatly appreciated by her family.

Please continue to pray for Dana's family during this difficult time.

Reserve Seats On Sale for Buffalo Games

Reserve seats go on sale August 19, 2010 at the Buffaloes first scrimmage. After August 19th, they will be sold at the Superintendent's office.

Please take care of this as soon as possible. The price is the same, \$5.00 per seat for a year.

This only pays for your seat, not admission to the game.

Chamber Celebrates 20 Years



BUSINESS OF THE YEAR — Tim Dillard of Tim's Florals and Gifts was presented the Business of the Year award from Connie Kirkham at the recently held Cross Plains Chamber Banquet.

Services for Joseph Lynn Nabers to be held Thursday



JOSEPH LYNN NABERS

Joseph Lynn Nabers

Lynn Nabers died peacefully early on the morning of July 31, 2010, with his family at his side. He had struggled valiantly for seven months with cancer, but was blessed because he only became incapacitated in the last few days of his life.

Lynn is survived by his wife, Mary Scott Nabers of Austin, and his sons Scott Nabers of Houston and Tim Nabers and his wife Karen of Austin. Lynn's beloved grandchildren include Lauren Scott Nabers, Kailey Anne Nabers, Jack Harrison Nabers and Samuel Scott Nabers, all of Houston, and Rachel Elizabeth Nabers and Davis Scott Nabers of Austin. Lynn and Mary have a large extended family of friends throughout the country.

Lynn is also survived by cousins Robert Alan Lewis of Houston, Dr. Jim Littlefield of Missouri and Olin Jones of California. Other close family members include Ed Edmondson and his wife Gayle of Austin. He was preceded in death by his parents, J.D. and Ima Lou Nabers of Brownwood.

Lynn held a Bachelor of Science degree from Howard Payne University, a law degree from Baylor University and an honorary doctorate from Howard Payne University. He was elected to the Texas Legislature immediately upon graduation from law school.

He had an impressive legislative and legal background. Lynn

practiced law for 16 years and served for 14 of those years in the Texas Legislature before he began representing corporate clients on governmental matters. After leaving the legislature, Lynn became a partner with the Brown McCarroll law firm and enjoyed the association with his legal friends there. He left the firm in 1992 when Mary became a member of the Texas Railroad Commission because he felt that there would be a perception of conflicts if he remained with a law firm.

Lynn practiced law and worked in the area of governmental affairs as a solo practitioner until Mary left government. Then he began encouraging and assisting her as she built Strategic Partnerships, Inc. (SPI) in Austin. He was quick to tell his friends that he never intended to join her in the business though, because he had no intention of working as hard as she would expect. However, as the business continued to grow, Lynn became the general counsel and began assisting with the firm's governmental affairs efforts. When he died, he was immersed in helping grow the company and took great pride in being a part of the SPI Team.

Lynn was a great political strategist and worked diligently to ensure that everyone at the firm understood procedure, ethics, protocol and laws. He was instrumental in the success of Strategic Partnerships, Inc. During the past decade, the SPI Team had a rare insight into a great working partnership between two individuals with strong personalities and opinions that did not always agree on direction but, because of diverse thinking, always found a way to compromise that produced better results.

Lynn was an owner and director at Citizens National Bank in Brownwood for more than 30 years. He and a group of friends purchased the hometown bank three decades ago, managed it through the worst of economic times and built it into a thriving, successful financial institution. Lynn also had a working cattle ranch in Brownwood and operated a natural gas business. As a member of the Texas

House of Representatives, he sponsored legislation on the State Bar Act, Medical Practice Act, Tuition Equalization Act and a revision of the Texas Penal Code. He carried the repeal of the Property Tax Code and a number of other bills dealing with property taxes. He loved government and serving in the legislature. If there had been sufficient financial compensation involved, he would have enjoyed spending his entire career there.

Lynn served as Chairman of the House Health and Welfare Committee and the Criminal Jurisprudence Committee. He was a member of the House Ways and Means, Water, Reclamation and Conservation, Insurance, State Affairs and Financial Institutions committees.

A few of his major accomplishments included being named a Fellow by the State Bar of Texas. Lynn worked with the statewide Judicial Section of the State Bar and received its Founders Day Award. He also received a Distinguished Service Award from the State Bar. He was named a Distinguished Alumnus of Howard Payne University and served on their Board of Trustees for more than 20 years. He received an award from the Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas for his work with the Tuition Equalization Grant program.

Lynn was named one of Texas Monthly magazine's Top 10 Legislators and was honored by other publications including Texas Business Magazine. He received awards from the Texas Army National Guard, the Texas Youth Commission and a number of other organizations. Lynn served as director of the Texas Sesquicentennial Commission during the year Texas celebrated all statewide events honoring the state's annexation to the United States.

Active in a number of organizations and projects in the Austin community, Lynn served on the Corporate Council of the Long Center for the Performing Arts and was especially interested and involved with the St. David's Healthcare Scholarship Program. He was a member of the Greater

Austin Chamber of Commerce and was currently the chair of the Travis County Municipal Utility District #6. Lynn was, along with Mary, genuinely interested in government and politics since most of their adult lives evolved around some part of government, and he spent a lot of time at political functions.

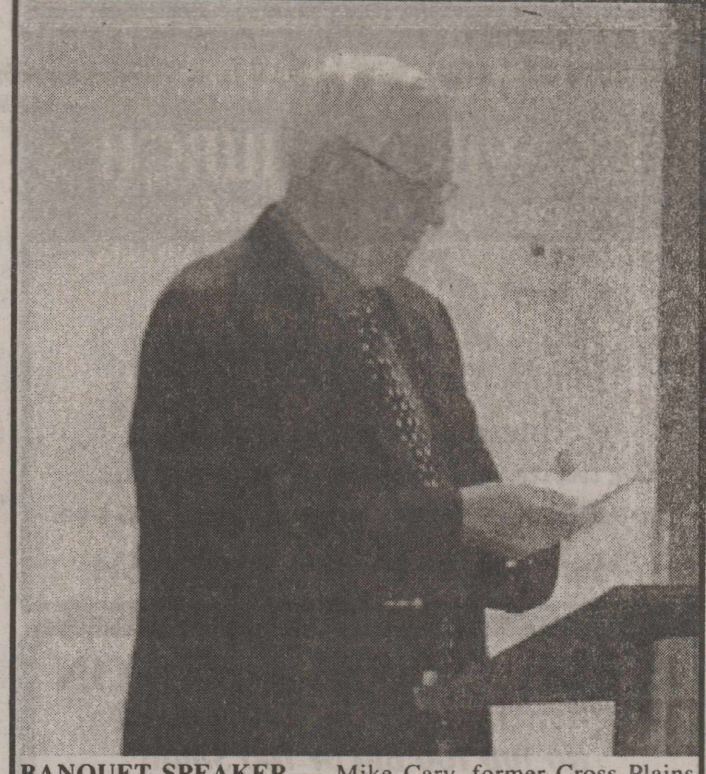
No man ever loved his grandchildren more than Lynn. He enjoyed attending all their activities and was looking forward to a major hunting trip with them in the fall. Hunting and fishing were among his favorite pastimes when he could find a way to take some time away from work.

One of his other significant passions in life was golf. He told great golf stories and loved playing and competing with his buddies anytime he could slip away to the course. He was fortunate enough to play golf with his sons two days in a row just two weeks before his death.

Lynn will be remembered as a remarkable, Christian man who loved with a passion his family, community, church, state and nation. He was genuinely loved and respected by everyone who knew him. He leaves behind a wealth of gifts, not the least of which will be the memory of his huge capacity to love and the memory of his zest for all aspects of life.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at Riverbend Church, 4214 North Capital of Texas Highway, Austin. Burial will follow at the Texas State Cemetery in Austin. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, at Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home, 3125 North Lamar, Austin.

In lieu of floral tributes, please make a memorial contribution to one of the following: Lynn Nabers Scholarship Fund, Howard Payne University, Office of Institutional Advancement, P.O. Box 2639, Brownwood, TX 76801; Riverbend Church, Building A Blessing Fund, 4214 N. Capital of Texas Hwy, Austin, TX 78746; or the St. David's Foundation, Neal Kocurek Scholarship Fund, 811 Barton Springs Rd, Ste 600, Austin, TX 78704.



BANQUET SPEAKER — Mike Cary, former Cross Plains Chamber member, was the guest speaker for the recent banquet.

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce hosted their annual banquet on Thursday, July 29, 2010 at the First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains. This years banquet is especially significant as it is the 20th anniversary since the chamber was organized. Karen Lenz, Chamber President, welcomed all in attendance and recognized County and Local officials; Roger Corn - County Judge, Sylvia Real' - Representative for Randy Neugebauer's office, Debbie Gosnell - City Administrator, Don Gosnell - City Law Enforcement, Ray Purvis - Mayor, Cliff Kirkham - County Commissioner, City Council members, and Chamber members. Also in attendance were several local business such as Tim's Floral, Super S Foods, Texas Heritage Bank, J's Art & Soul, City of Cross Plains, as well as the LaQuinta in Eastland. The new businesses are Super S Foods, Open Range, J's Art & Soul, Branding Iron.

The invocation was given by Harris Worcester, Pastor of the First United Methodist Church. Dinner was catered by Staghorn Cafe'. The meal consisted of chicken fried steak (the size of

Texas), gravy, green beans, baked potato, rolls and chocolate cake for dessert.

The program began with Debbie Gosnell, City Administrator, speaking about all the changes, improvements, plans for improving our town at the present and in the future.

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Texas Heritage Bank

"We're Proud of Our Local Heritage"

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Church Directory

COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School9:45 AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
 Evening Service.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00 PM

Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599
 Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching
 Friendly Church

Triple Cross Cowboy Church

Every Sunday at 10:30 am
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Al Taylor, Preacher

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Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: Sunday School....10:00 am
 Billy Smith 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

CROSS PLAINS COWBOY CHURCH

Pastor: Len Smith



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Obituaries



Ruby Lee (Holcomb) Clark, age 81 of Brownwood, went to be with her Heavenly Father and her husband of 64 years on Sunday, August 1, 2010. Funeral services will be Wednesday, August 4, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains with Barry Ezra officiating; assisted by Smithy Ryan; burial will follow in Cross Plains Memorial Cemetery.

The family will receive friends and relatives on Tuesday, August 3rd from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Ruby was born on October 11, 1928, in Rule, TX to Wesley and Daisy (Conger) Holcomb. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother and friend to all who knew her. For many years Ruby worked in retail sales; always enjoying greeting the public. She was a devoted Christian. She shared her love of Christ with her family and friends. She enjoyed cooking and sharing goodies as well as sending cards to her friends to remind them how special they were to her. Beyond her love for Christ was her love for her family. We all knew we were loved and will miss her dearly.

She is survived by two sons; Jimmy Clark and wife Mary of Anson; Bobby Clark and wife Judy of Beeville; one daughter, Patricia Bechtold and husband Robert of Early; mother, Daisy Holcomb (99 years old) of Cross Plains; brother Gerold Holcomb from Clyde; sister Judy Livingston from Gustine; and six grandchildren and four great grandchildren who will truly miss her. She was preceded in death by her husband James R. Clark; dad Wes Holcomb; daughter Diane and great granddaughter Windi Clark.

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Dana Hall

Dana Hall, age 47, of Cottonwood, passed away Monday, August 2, 2010 in Abilene. Funeral services are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Thursday, August 5, 2010 at the First Baptist Church with Ronnie White officiating. Burial will follow in the Cottonwood Cemetery in Callahan County, Texas.

She was born July 8, 1963 to Kenneth and Georgia (Hailey) Stroud in Carlsbad, New Mexico. She was a machinist and at one time worked for Lockheed Aircraft in Abilene. She owned Dana's BBQ here in Cross Plains, and organized the Turkey Creek Cook-Off, from which she won many awards and made countless friends. Dana used some of her daddy's recipes and a smoker that he had built. Her daddy was her inspiration when it came to BBQ. She was a Baptist.

Dana had a passion for "bull riding". She arranged several Bull Bash's in Cross Plains; along with many fundraisers. She fed the riders and gave them a place to sleep and made them feel right at home. She always said that she loved "those boys"

Dana and her mom traveled the world and lived in many different countries. She had countless stories and memories from the place they had lived. She loved her family more than words can say.

Survivors include her husband, Fred Waggoner of Cottonwood; four daughters, Tami Lee Hall of Baird, April Diane Grider of Cross Plains, Ashley Marie Hall of Cross Plains, and Jessica Sue Hall of Cottonwood; mother, Georgia King and husband Darvin of Baird; brother, Billy Wayne Stroud of Hondo; sister, Kathy Ferrarini of Wyoming; four grandchildren, Nathaniel Grider, Jacob Grider, Kaylee Moore and Bentley Kenneth Hall.

Although we will miss her, we know that she is with Jesus now. She was preceded in death by her father, Kenneth Stroud of Pecos and her maternal grandmother, Jimmie Hailey of Baird.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Dana Hall Memorial Fund, c/o Texas Heritage Bank, P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, TX 76443.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

CALLAHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE NEWS

Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings
 Cody M. Ray, assault.

Leslie Cordes, theft by check.

Joshua C. Gibson, Ct. I - assault, family violence, Ct. II - interference w/emergency telephone call.

Anthony D. Trevino, assault causing bodily injury, family violence.

Helen F. Cochran, sale of alcoholic beverage to a minor.
 Gerardo R. Martinez, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Misdemeanor Minutes
 Taylor A. Williams, motion to revoke probation granted.

Patsy Jo Dugan, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana in a drug free zone granted in the interest of justice.

Jacquelyn N. French, order releasing cash bond granted.

Claud A. Davis III, motion to dismiss to harassment granted, witness unwilling to testify.

Cody J. Hurley, motion to revoke probation granted.

Jonathan D. Carrion, order on motion to revoke has been pended.

Ricky J. Martinez, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted for completion of PTD Program.

Jonathan E. Sansom, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Daby G. Tabor, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice.

Allen B. Pugh, motion to dismiss to assault - family vio-

lence granted for plea to other case and order releasing cash bond.

Lisa Hamilton, motion to dismiss to theft granted, witness unavailable.

Aaron R. Simpson, plea of guilty to DWI, \$250 fine, \$424 court costs, 45 days in jail.

Sequana D. Henry, plea of guilty to failed to identify, \$395 court costs, 15 days in jail.

Steven D. Smith, plea of guilty to theft by check, \$250 fine, \$310 court costs, 45 days in jail.

Bill K. Ortega, plea of guilty to display of fictitious inspection sticker, \$200 fine, \$239 court costs and order releasing cash bond.

Landon S. Adams, plea of guilty to DWI, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$424 court costs.

Marriage Licenses

Brian J. Pringle and Angela K. Deel, both of Clyde.

Daniel E. Hull and Angel G. Brooks, both of Baird.

Darryl B. Francy and Rowena D. Aguilar, both of Abilene.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
 John Weeks, presiding

Civil Minutes

Mandi R. Bowermaster and Eddie Lynn Baugh, Jr., divorce granted.

Leslee Ray Jones and Danielle M. Durden, divorce granted.

Deborah Michelle Snyder and Harley David Snyder, divorce granted.

Jimmie Inez Dockray Hughes and Billy Lawrence Hughes, divorce granted.

WE INVITE YOU TO WORSHIP WITH THE

First United Methodist Church

Visitors Welcome

Sunday School 9:30AM

Sunday Morning Worship 10:45AM

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First Baptist Church

Sunday School

9:30 am

Sunday

Morning Worship

10:45 am

Sunday

Evening Worship

6:30 pm

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship

Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm

Children Choir 6:30 pm

Ronnie B. White, Pastor

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

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BEVERLY BROWN

We express our sincere sympathy to the family of Dana Hall. Her services are Thursday morning in Cross Plains with burial in Cottonwood Cemetery. Our prayers go out to Fred and the girls.

Our next Cottonwood Musical is scheduled for Friday, September 3rd. That's the Friday before Labor Day weekend, so plan to come out and hear some good old time country music

before you head to the lake or out of town.

The musical is FREE. Sandwiches, soft drinks, coffee and pie are available in the kitchen. The proceeds from the kitchen go toward the upkeep and maintenance of the Community Center.

The Cottonwood School Homecoming is scheduled for Saturday, September 25th. Write

it on your calendar now. Everyone had such a good time last year, that folks were asking if the reunion could be a yearly event. We'll be starting in the day so folks can have time for lunch and lots of visiting.

Lily and Wiley stayed with me last week while Teri and Gilbert were in Houston. Like typical "grandchildren" they don't want to go home.

RISEING STAR NURSING CENTER

DONNA MCINTIRE



OH MY! — Angel Culwell and Paula Region admire the 46 1/2 lb watermelon grown in Angel's garden - it sure looks sweet!



BABY SHOWER — Residents enjoy baby shower for Tara Ratliff.

Well "Hello" to everyone. We are doing good and having fun here at the Nursing Center. We have had a pretty full couple of weeks since I last wrote, so I will get right to it.

Silent Auction Time - August 20, 2010 at 1:30 p.m.

We will be holding a silent auction for an employee with health issues. Ginny Nieto and family are going through a very rough time right now. Ginny has many health issues and has been in the hospital for quite some time. She is home for

recuperation right now, but is looking at open heart surgery very soon. She does not have insurance to cover the cost so we will be holding a silent auction here at the Nursing Center for her. Your participation in helping us would be greatly appreciated. Whether you donate something to auction off or come to buy, your help is needed. "Gently" used items are appreciated, but no clothing please.

We will also be holding a drawing for a Jack Russell terrier (can be registered). Tickets can be pur-

chased from Johnnie Elliott, Tonya Bird RN, Lori Osborn LVN, Pat Jones, Dona McIntire or Karolyn Soto at the nursing home. They will be \$2.00 each or 6 for \$10.00. We will draw for a winner on August 20th at the Silent Auction.

We will also have a food drive. We will have a box at the Nursing Center if you would like to bring things by. Thank you in advance for your help with this matter.

We had a baby shower for Tara Ratliff and her soon to be "Kinsley". She is due in about 3 weeks and everything is going good. We had a terrific turn out and my goodness the gifts she and the baby received. The picture shows the residents who came and the gifts were great. Mrs. Hazel Campbell did it again and crocheted a pink Afghan for her and the baby. She received so many nice gifts that are too abundant to mention. Thank you to all who came.

As you can see in the picture, Angel Culwell donated a watermelon grown by her in her garden. We had a lot of fun trying

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LIBRARY NOTES

July 26-30, 2010

Patrons: 175
Summer Reading Programs: 18
Books Checked Out: 140
Copies: 24
Interlibrary Loans: 3
Reference: 9
Internet Users: 88

Book Donations:
Cliff and Connie Kirkham
Whitney Henderson

Donations:
Janet Swanson

Volunteers:
Sue Bennett
Arlene Stephenson
Suzy Stiver-Nash
Wilma Lawrence
Henry Ring

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

News for Veterans

Veterans office to be closed

Your Callahan County Veterans Service Office will be closed after August 16th for at least three weeks.

A badly needed knee replacement surgery will be performed on August 18th in Fort Worth, followed by two or three weeks of physical therapy.

After August 23rd, contact may be made by telephone to 817-741-1047. The Taylor County Veterans Office has been good to help out in the past as well. Thanks for your understanding.

Submitted by: Tom Ivey

A week without advertising makes a business weak.

to guess the weight of it. We had employees and residents both guessing anywhere from 35 to 105 lbs. Ethel Monville guessed it at 46 1/2 lbs. on the nose. Way to go Ethel!!!!

We also had our first "COUNTRY STORE" and it went over really good. We had our "Bingo Bucks" that the residents get for playing Bingo and we just about sold out at the store. We sold socks, lotion, perfume, blankets, soap, glasses, stuffed bears, etc. We will replenish the goodies for the next time and hopefully it will be another success story.

So, till next time, may God bless and keep you.



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SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 9th - 10am Movie Monday, Cokes & Popcorn
Tuesday, 10th - 10am Mexican Train Dominoes. 11am Exercise Class.
Wednesday, 11th - 10:30am-11:30am Blood Pressure Checks by Girling.
Thursday, 12th - 11:00am Exercise Class. 12:15pm Coke Floats
Friday, 13th - No Activities Planned

Do you know someone that would benefit from a Home Delivered Meal?

The Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center would always like to know if you or someone you know would benefit from a Home Delivered Meal. The meals are delivered Monday-Friday from 11:45am-12:45pm. A hot, nutritious, and delicious meal is available for those who qualify. Please feel free to call the Center Monday-Friday from 9:00am-2:00pm to see if we can help - 254-725-6521.

Farmers Market

Do you have an abundance of fruits and vegetables from your garden? The center has a table that is designated for produce for the Seniors. If you have extra garden items, please bring them to the center and we will put them out to help our seniors get fresh fruits and vegetables.

Volunteer Delivery Drivers Needed!

The Cross Plains Senior Center is in need of a few great people to help deliver Meals on Wheels for the Seniors in this great community! A few spots are open for July and substitute drivers are always needed. If interested or available, please call the center at 725-6521.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

AUGUST 9 - AUGUST 13

MONDAY- Chicken Pot Pie, Dessert, Tea/ Coffee/Milk
Fresh Fruit, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/
Milk
TUESDAY- German Sausage, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
Chunk Potatoes, Greens, Bread
& Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
WEDNESDAY-Beef Stroganoff,
Noodles, Green Beans, Bread &
THURSDAY- Roast Beef, Potatoes, Black-eyed Peas, Bread &
Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
FRIDAY- Sweet and Sour Chicken, Broccoli, Rice, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Mayor, Council Members and City Staff:

In light of the recent break-ins, burglaries, the King house fire and personal property destruction, it is obvious to me and to others within this community that Don Gosnell should be on duty Friday and Saturday evenings and should not go off duty until sometime after 2:00 a.m.

Please consider and bring this issue to the floor for a vote

A.S.A.P. The safety of our community and its citizens may depend on your vote.

Sincerely,

Terry Lichty

I will be reading this letter at the next regular meeting of the City Council on August 20, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at Cross Plains City Hall. If you have an interest in this issue, please attend.

Quilting Classes to Begin August 5th

Kaleidoscope Quilt Classes will be offered at the Pioneer Quilting Club beginning Thursday, August 5th. Classes will be held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. each Thursday. Come and learn this unique skill and enjoy great fellowship, too. For additional information call Norma Tucker at 254-725-4041.

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BREAKTHRU

By Charles Chesshir
Cross Plains Church of Christ

UNTIL IT DIES

The nature of everything we can touch is deterioration. From our cars and homes, to our hearts and kidneys, we see the inevitable aging and death process. The process of death and decay in nature is fascinating. As a plant dies, it's deterioration releases nutrients stored in it's branches back into the soil. There are major nutrients like phosphorous and potash along with micronutrients like magnesium that replenish the soil to provide for new plant life. If soil is not replenished with dead remains, necessary nutrients we need will be missing from the food that we and our animals eat.

While this cycle of life is fascinating, it teaches a spiritual principle and reinforces what God has revealed in scripture. We are born into a flawed world of death, decay and sinful nature. We must die to our selfish nature, which craves the things of this world in order to truly live. We must be born again of the very spirit of God, if we are to escape eternal death and decay. Unless we die to selfish desires, we can not know real life. We will only be existing in a body of death.

Sunday Morning Bible Class...9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship...6:00p.m.
Sunday Morning Worship...10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m.
Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus
433 N. Main St. 254-725-6117

Planning for 2010-11 School Year Begins

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students:

I hope your summer is going well. Our summer has been busy, yet productive! Amazingly, it is time to begin planning for the new school year, so we have scheduled meetings for each grade level in early August.

The meeting will give you an opportunity to pick up your schedule, review your credits to date, revisit graduation and career

plans, and to receive other valuable information about your classes. We will also present information about changes to policy and procedure for the upcoming year.

We hope both adults and students will be able to attend the meeting. Please make arrangements to attend the meeting for your grade level.

Here are the dates and times of each grade level meeting:

Monday, August 9

Seniors - 5:30 p.m.
Juniors - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 10

Sophomore - 5:30 p.m.
Freshman - 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 12

8th Grade - 5:30 p.m.
7th Grade - 6:30 p.m.

I look forward to seeing you and know we are going to have an excellent school year.

Diana Dobbins
High School Principal

Immunization Clinics in Callahan County

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

Monday, August 9th
Cross Plains Housing Authority

233 North Main
Time 10 a.m. - 12 noon

Wednesday, August 11th
Clyde First Baptist Church

216 Austin
Time 10 a.m. - 12 noon
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Please bring your child's Immunization Records. If child has Medicaid or CHIP, please bring their card.

For more information call 325-754-4945.

2010 Callahan County 4-H Awards Program

The 2010 Awards Program will be held Saturday, August 21st, at 7:00 p.m. at the Clyde Intermediate School Cafeteria. Each family is once again asked to bring two covered dishes; a main dish and a vegetable or dessert.

If you plan to attend you need to call the County Extension Office by August 10th and let us know which project completion certificate you are eligible for. If you cannot attend the Awards Program and want your project completion certificate, please call the Extension office (325) 854-5835.

Remember to RSVP by August 10th. Hope to see you at the Program!!

Rose Barcomb
Callahan County
Extension secretary

Cross Plains High School Band Summer Rehearsals

Attention to all wanting to participate in The Cross Plains High School Band will begin summer rehearsals on August 9th at the Cross Plains Band Hall.

August 9th - 13th from 4-7 p.m.

and

August 16th - 20th from 4-7 p.m.

Anyone who plans on being in band and taking the annual spring trip must attend the summer rehearsals. I look forward to another awesome year at Cross Plains ISD!!!!

Submitted by
Matt Sowell

4-H Sheep & Goat Tag Orders Due

Sheep & Goat Tag orders are due to the Extension office by August 24th. If you plan on showing Market lambs or Market Meat goats at the local, county, or Major shows you must call in your tag order no later than August 24th. Major

show tags are \$7.00/tag and County only tags are \$3.00/tag.

All tag orders must be paid for by August 31st!

Contact The Extension Office to place your tag orders (325) 854-5835.

Submitted by: Hoss Sasin, CEA-Ag

Helping Hearts and Hands Deadline to Apply is October 1st

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

FREE assistance is available to homeowners who are elderly, handicapped and/or low income. Applications are available now at the Senior Citizens Center, Texas Heritage Bank and City Hall.

The application deadline is October 1, 2010. If you need any assistance in filling out the application, please call Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819.

The Workday will be Saturday, October 16th. There will need to be time to assign workers/crews and purchase supplies for the various projects.

Volunteers will be needed once again to complete these projects so make plans to participate.

This is a worthwhile community project that has been in action since 1998. We are excited and looking forward to this year's endeavor. If you have any questions or need more information please call Pat Stephens 254-725-6819 or Roxie Thomas 254-725-6141.

Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports to hold 7th Annual Dove Warm-up

The Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports will be holding the 7th Annual Dove Warm-up, Saturday, August 21st at the 4-H Range off FM18 between Clyde and Baird.

A team of 5 can shoot 50 targets each at the 5-stand event for \$125. Call to reserve a time to shoot.

The Trap & Skeet Fields will also be open, hone your bird hunting skills for \$6.00 for a round of 25 targets.

So grab your shotgun, shells, hunting vests, ear and eye protection and come out, shoot some clays. All proceeds benefit the Callahan County 4-H shooting Sports Program

Concession stand will be open.

For more information or to reserve a time to shoot 5-stand call Kevin Meier at (325) 665-7810.

Grand Ole Oplin August Line-up

The Grand Ole Oplin is pleased to announce our band line-up for the month of August, 2010.

Starting the month off on August 6th Muddy Creek will be joining us playing all of your country favorites, on August 13th Country Classics will be on stage playing all the two-steps and waltzes you like to hear, on August 20th Jack Rosser and his band will be playing the kind of country music that will make you want to get up and boot scoot around the dance floor and closing out the month on August 27th Muddy Creek will return playing some more of the favorite country music.

The Grand Ole Oplin is hosted by the Oplin Community Center which is located at the intersection of F.M. 604 S. and F.M. 2926. Our Friday night dances begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:30 p.m. Admission is still only \$5.00 per person. Alcohol and smoking is not allowed. Everyone is invited to bring a snack to be enjoyed by all during the band's break. For more information please go to www.grandoleoplin.com.

So gather the family and all your friends and come on out to the Grand Ole Oplin for an evening of good music, good friends and a real good time.

Submitted by: Pam Rumfield

Feds, Farmers and Friends Feed Families food drive

Temple, Texas, July 22, 2010 - The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Farm Service Agency (FSA) is a proud participant in this year's USDA Feds, Farmers and Friends Feed Families food drive running now through Tuesday, August 31, 2010. Announced by Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, this annual event is designed to help food banks across the nation that are struggling through tough economic times. Each USDA service center office across the state of Texas will be collecting non-perishable items, preferably nutritious foods and sources of protein.

"When school lets out for the summer, our nation's youngsters who receive free and reduced price meals through the National School Lunch and School Breakfast programs are at a higher risk of going hungry," Vilsack said. "While USDA's Summer Food Service Program helps fill that gap, these tough economic times mean that needy families throughout America are turning to emergency food assistance agencies such as food banks, food pantries, and soup kitchens to put food on the table. Unfortunately, the summer is also a tough time for these organizations, as they

typically see a rise in demand coupled with a decrease in donations. The good news, however, is that while the needs of our hungry neighbors are especially great in the summer months, our opportunity to make a difference in their lives is also great."

A recent study revealed that 49.1 million Americans, or 14.6 percent of U.S. households, lived in food insecure households. This number includes 32.4 million adults and 16.7 million children. According to the USDA Household Food Security in the United States 2008 report, Texas is ranked #3 (14.8 percent) among the top ten states that exhibited statistically significant higher household food insecurity rates than the national average (12.2 percent).

Please help make a difference by contributing your non-perishable food items to your local USDA service center office prior to August 31, 2010. The USDA office in Callahan County is located at 141W. 4th Suite Bin Baird. If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering in this effort, please contact Sammy Wilson with USDA-NRCS at 325-854-1349. Ext 3 or via e-mail at sammy.wilson@tx.usda.gov.

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association Southern Baptist Convention Seminary Extension

If you have an interest in joining our study of the book of Hebrews NT 0185 in the fall of 2010 (August-November) notify Baylis Pope at his home phone, 254-725-7749 or Dan Nelson at Dan's Studio 559-1545.

Classes will begin the first week of August. We will need to know your plans to purchase the Study Guide and the textbooks:

Herschel H. Hobbs *Hebrews*, R.E. Glaze, Jr. *No Easy Salvation*, and Thomas D. Lea *Hebrews and James* in Holman New Testament commentary, vol. 10, by the last week of August.

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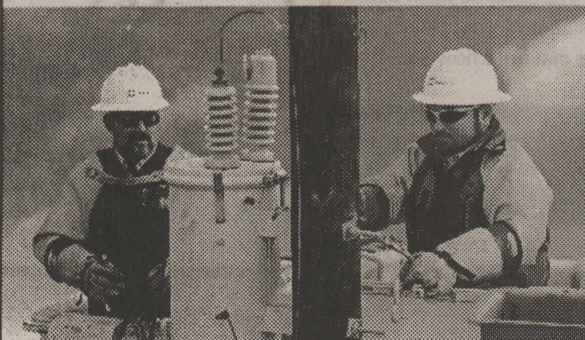
- 1) Visit the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) electric choice website at www.powertochoose.org. If you don't have access to a computer, you can call the PUCT's Electric Choice hotline at 1-866-PWR-4-TEX (797-4839).
- 2) Use the information you receive to contact different REPs to collect more information on various services and offers. Also contact your current REP at the number listed on your electric bill for other offers that may be available. Ask about contract terms and prices and be sure to look at the REPs' Electricity Facts Labels to make a good comparison.

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Additionally, many community action agencies may be able to help with electric bills or energy efficiency programs. For more information, contact the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) at 1-800-525-0657, e-mail at info@tdhca.state.tx.us or visiting one of the following websites.

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50th CLASS REUNION — Members of the Cross Plains High School Class of 1960. Back row, Vondean (Walters) Hutchins, from left, Margaret (Albright) Stewart, Betty (Golson) Lord, Nelda (Tennison) Morgan and Barbara Black. Middle row, Blenda (Brashear) Bains, from left, Linda (Dillard) Ring, Martha (Robinson) Malone, Mary (Gary) Callaway. Front row Sandra (Kilgore) Gary, from left, Jean (Bonner) McWilliams, Virginia (Lane) Childers, Rita Gay (Sipes) Franks, Bonnie (Fortune) White and Faye (Simmons) Mauldin.



"THE GUYS OF THE CLASS OF 1960" — Members of the Cross Plains High School Class of 1960 at recent reunion. Pictured above are Back row Phil Harris, from left, Odean Smoot, Glenn Phillips, Bobby Golson and Harry Watson. Front row Doyle Johnson, from left, Henry Ring, and Robert Eubanks. Bevelyn Foster arrived after photo was taken. - not pictured.

C.P.H.S. Class of 1960 Celebrated 50th Year Reunion

The Cross Plains High School Class of 1960 held their 50th Class Reunion July 31st at the Elegante Suites, 4250 Ridgmont Drive in Abilene. After 50 years there were a lot of sweet and sad memories. Twenty-four classmates were in attendance. Virginia and Martha made copies of 1st grade photos and passed them out to each classmate. We were given 15 minutes to see how many classmates we could recognize. This was a lot of fun! A silent moment of honor was paid to the classmates who died during school and after graduation. There were nine who have passed away.

Best of all, we were presented with a book of "50 Years Later" prepared by Virginia Childers. She did a good job and spent many many hours on the project. Thanks Virginia from all your classmates!

Submitted by
Blenda (Brashear) Baines

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

Happiness.... in your mind

The 92-year-old, petite, well-poised and proud lady, who is fully dressed each morning by eight o'clock, with her hair fashionably coiffed and makeup perfectly applied, even though she is legally blind, moved to a nursing home today.

Her husband of 70 years recently passed away, making the move necessary.

After many hours of waiting patiently in the lobby of the nursing home, she smiled sweetly when told her room was ready. As she maneuvered her walker to the elevator, I provided a visual description of her tiny room, including the eyelet sheets that had been hung on her window.

"I love it," she stated with the enthusiasm of an eight-year-old having just been presented with a new puppy.

"Mrs. Jones, you haven't seen the room ... just wait."

"That doesn't have anything to do with it," she replied. "Happiness is something you decide on ahead of time. Whether I like my room or not doesn't depend on how the furniture is arranged...it's how I arrange my mind."

I already decided to love it...

"It's a decision I make every morning when I wake up."

I have a choice; I can spend the day in bed recounting the difficulty I have with the parts of my body that no longer work, or get out of bed and be thankful for the ones that do. Each day is a gift, and as long as my eyes open I'll focus on the new day and all the happy memories I've stored away just for this time in my life. Old age is like a bank account. You withdraw from what you've put in. So, my advice to you would be to deposit a lot of happiness in the bank account of memories.

Thank you for your part in filling my Memory bank.

I am still depositing.

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- tred.
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- 1 4-ounce Cool Whip

Combine Dream Whip, pudding, milk. Beat until thickened (about 2 minutes). Fold in Cool Whip, Frost, Refrigerate.

Diane Poole

USDA Announces Conservation Reserve Program General Sign-up

WASHINGTON, D.C. - July 26, 2010 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that a general sign-up for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) will begin on August 2, 2010 and continue through August 27, 2010. During the sign-up period, farmers and ranchers may offer eligible land for CRP's competitive general sign-up at their county Farm Service Agency (FSA) office.

The 2008 Farm Bill authorized USDA to maintain CRP enrollment up to 32 million acres. Jim Miller, Agriculture Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agriculture Services, made the announcement on behalf of Secretary Vilsack during a conference call with reporters.

"America's farmers and ranchers play an important role in improving our environment, and for nearly 25 years, CRP has helped this nation build sound conservation practices that preserve the soil, clean our water, and restore habitat for wildlife," said Miller. "Today's announcement will help us create a greener and healthier America, and I encourage all interested farmers and ranchers to contact their local FSA office to learn more how to take advantage of this opportunity."

To help ensure that interested farmers and ranchers are aware of the sign-up period, USDA has signed partnership agreements with several conservation and wildlife organizations, which will play an active role in USDA's 2010

CRP outreach efforts. Additionally, Secretary Vilsack has recorded two public service announcements, which are available to the press and public at www.fsa.usda.gov/psa.

CRP is a voluntary program that assists farmers, ranchers and other agricultural producers to use their environmentally sensitive land for conservation benefits. Producers enrolling in CRP plant long-term, resource-conserving covers in exchange for rental payments, cost-share, and technical assistance. CRP protects millions of acres of America's topsoil from erosion and is designed to improve the nation's natural resources base. Participants voluntarily remove environmentally sensitive land from agricultural production by entering into long-term contracts for 10 to 15 years. In exchange, participants receive annual rental payments and a payment of up to 50 percent of the cost of establishing conservation practices.

By reducing water runoff and sedimentation, CRP also protects groundwater and helps improve the condition of lakes, rivers, ponds and streams. Acreage enrolled in the CRP is planted to resource-conserving vegetative covers, making the program a major contributor to wildlife population increases in many parts of the country. As a result, CRP has provided significant opportunities for hunting and fishing on private lands.

Land currently not enrolled in CRP may be offered in this sign-up provided all eligibility requirements are met. Additionally, current CRP participants with contracts expiring this fall covering about 4.5 million acres may make new contract offers. Contracts awarded under this sign-up are scheduled to become effective Oct. 1, 2010.

FSA implements CRP on behalf of Commodity Credit Corporation. FSA will evaluate and rank eligible CRP offers using an Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) for environmental benefits to be gained from enrolling the land in CRP. The EBI consists of five environmental factors (wildlife, water, soil, air and enduring benefits) and cost. Decisions on the EBI cutoff will be made after the sign-up ends and after analyzing the EBI data of all the offers.

Those who would have met previous sign-up EBI thresholds are not guaranteed a contract under this sign-up. In addition to the general sign-up, CRP's continuous sign-up program will be ongoing. Continuous acres represent the most environmentally desirable and sensitive land. For more information, visit <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/crp>. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender. To file a complaint of discrimination, write: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 (voice), or (202) 720-6382 (TDD).

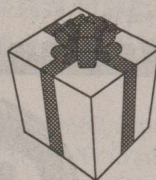
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Callahan County Nutrition Center Fund-raiser

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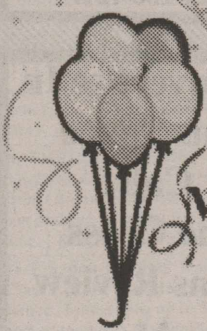
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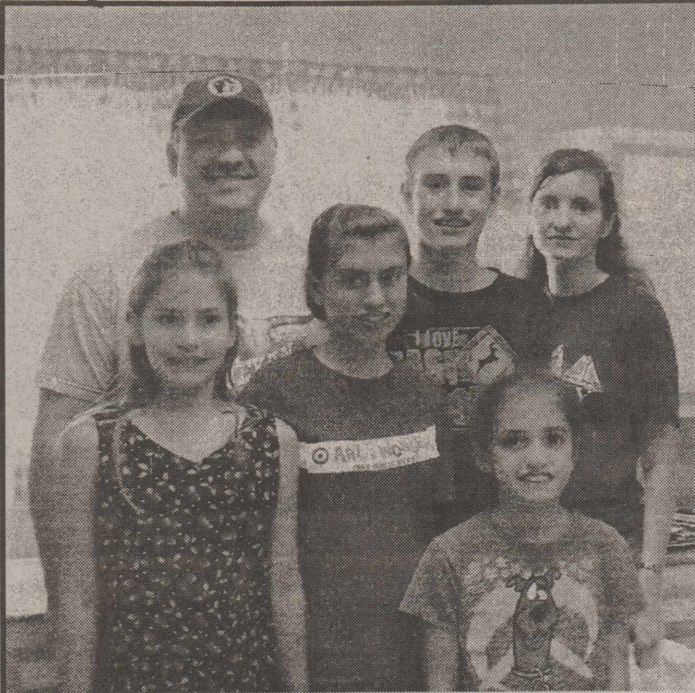
Regional Pecan Growers Take State Honors at Texas Pecan Show Recently

In mid-July, the Texas Pecan Show was conducted in San Marcos. Three local growers placed and earned ribbons during the state-level show. More than 290 pecan entries were judged from across the state. In December 2009, the West Texas Regional Pecan Show was conducted in Abilene. Seventy-nine counties make up the West Region, and twenty-five counties participated with 128 pecan samples submitted for grading.

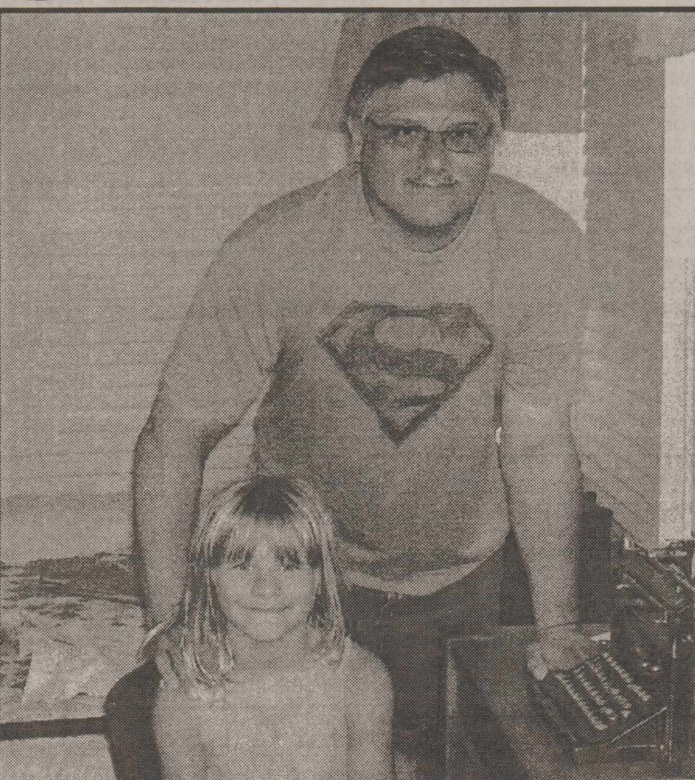
During the State Pecan Show, in the "Classic and New Division," Jimmye Johnson of Jones County placed 1st with her Navaho pecan. H&H Pecans of Callahan County placed 1st with their Podsednik variety. In the "Commercial Division," Jim Boston of Nolan County placed third with his Hopi pecan.

The Texas Pecan Show has a long history and the first pecan show in Texas was held in 1950. The intent of the show is to help growers know what the value of their pecan crop is BEFORE they go to market. During the pecan show and pecan grading demonstrations, pecans are divided into divisions and then classified as to the pecan variety. Once all this happens, judges evaluate the pecans individually based on the grading standards which includes kernel quality, kernel color and the absence of disease or pest damage.

Should you have questions about your pecan varieties or managing your pecan crop for maximum yield, contact your local Texas AgriLife Extension office for more assistance. Melissa Clifton Sturdivant the County Extension Agent for Horticulture in Taylor County, served as Superintendent of the West Texas Regional Pecan Show, and may be reached by email at dmsturdivant@ag.tamu.edu.



The Ezernack family from Houston recently arranged a visit of the Robert E. Howard Museum as part of a short vacation prior to the beginning of the school term. In surfing the internet looking for interesting places to visit around the state, they came across the hometown of one of Tony's favorite writers and the trip was on. Tony is a computer programmer, Lenore is a dentist, and the kids are all into "everything". The young folks were most impressed that the visitors just before them in the guest register were the folks from Finland. Shown above are Tony (back row from left), James and Lenore. Front row from left, Ellen, Jane and Elaine.



Another young visitor toured the Howard Museum with her father recently. Harmony and Fred Schmidt from Madisonville, TX made a side trip to the Museum while mom, Stephanie, was working at a band camp in Ranger. She is the band director at Madisonville High School. Fred is a computer aide at Madisonville High and has read many of Howard's stories over the years. Harmony was impressed with all the "old things" in the Museum; living without TV's, computers and microwaves was a bit beyond her comprehension. Providing tours of the Museum is a never-ending source of amazement as docents never know who will arrive at the back door next.

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Turkey Creek Rodeo Club PlayDay a BIG Success

The PlayDay at the local arena on July 24th was a big success! We had 10 participants in the boot race, gunnysack race and stick horse rodeo, which included a barrel race and bucking competition.

We had two winners in the 6 and under division, Madison Buchanan and Haylee King. The Cross Plains cowgirls crossed the line together.

In the 7 to 12 year old age division Dobbs McWilliams won by a mere half a stride in order to overtake his little brother Cody, McWilliams, both are Cross Plains cowboys.

In the 6 and under gunnysack races Jayden Smith, a local cowgirl, won 1st place, and the second place winner was Jennah Tension, a Eula cowgirl.

The 7 to 12 years old age group was dominated by the McWilliams cowhands, this time Dobbs overtook older sister Shelby McWilliams.

The stick horse rodeo consisted of two events, the barrel race and a bucking competition. In the barrel race, Jennah Tension won with a time of 13.4 seconds and she also dominated the bucking competition with a score of 65.

We would like to congratulate all the kids on a job well done.

In our riding events, which included the barrel race, pole

bending competition and flag race, we had 10 cowboys and cowgirls participating. We had a 6 and under lead line class where the parents could lead the little ones through the events. In this class Nathan Patridge, a young and upcoming cowboy from Aledo, finished first in all 3 events, giving him the all around title as well.

However, we cannot leave out two hometown cowgirls—Katie Sutton finished second in all events, with Madison Buchanan hot on her heels finishing out the class in third.

In the 6 and under age group, Lukas Moreno, a speedy little cowboy from Hawley, dominated by winning first in all 3 events, giving him the all around title. The second place award in the barrel race went to Jennah Tension and third place went to Cross Plains' own little cowgirl Callie Sutton.

The pole bending was a land slide with Lukas Moreno dominating. The other contestants in the pole bending had a little tough luck resulting in no times.

The flag race was led again by Lukas, with our own Haylee King coming in second, Cash Ashlock finished third and Callie Sutton finished the flags in 4th place.

The 7 to 12 year old age group added speed and precision to the

event. The first place winner in the barrel race was Daeleigh Patridge, a Aledo cowgirl, with Loren Moreno, of Hawley, finishing in second, and Jayme Tension of Eula rounding out the class in third.

In the pole bending competition Loren Moreno won the class, with Daeleigh Patridge coming in second and Cross Plains' cowboy Dobbs McWilliams finishing in third.

In the final event, the flag race, Loren Moreno won first, Loren Moreno second and Dobbs McWilliams finished in third. Daeleigh Patridge won the all around for the 7 to 12 year old age division.

Turkey Creek Rodeo Club would like to say "thank you" to Lawrence Farm and Ranch for donating the All Around awards and to Subway, Open Range, The Pool House and Dairy Queen for all the gift certificates for the event winners. Also a thank you goes out to City Hall for watering the arena to cut down on the dust, and to the Cross Plains community for supporting us. We are very proud of all the kids who participated and hope they all had a wonderful time. Hope to see you all in the future!

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CROSS PLAINS CHAMBER BOARD MEMBERS — Karen Lenz, President (from left), Kara Potter, Mike Cary, Speaker, Connie Kirkham, Vice President, Keith Lawrence and Dora Warlick. Not all board members were present for photo.

Chamber of Commerce Banquet

Connie Kirkham presented Tim's Floral with the Business of the Year for 2010. Tim's Floral has been in business for twenty-seven years July 1st of this year. Connie spoke of Tim's dedication and hard work over the years providing beautiful gifts and floral arrangements for this town in times of bereavement and joy, school proms and homecomings, and almost any occasion you can think of. Tim's Floral also has a wonderful assortment of gifts for any occasion and his creative and giving spirit shows throughout the town from his plants at the bank, as well as high school graduations, dances, and many social functions. Upon receipt of this honor, Tim thanked his family and friends for their help

throughout the years.

Susan McNeel gave a brief chamber tribute to the speaker, as she has fond memories of their time together when the chamber first was established. Susan Schaefer introduced the speaker of the night, Mike Cary. Mr. Cary is currently the Branch President of American State Bank in Cisco. He started off with stories of the differences between men and women which brought much laughter and agreement. Mr. Cary and his wife were residents of Cross Plains for seven years and still have very close ties to this town. He and his wife now reside in Cisco, just a stone's throw away. Mr. Cary noted that no matter where he has been, getting the Cross Plains Review always keeps him up to speed on this area and it's happenings.

Mr. Cary discussed the very first Chamber of Commerce meeting, held on July 1, 1990. The chamber became incorporated on August 31, 1990. He spoke of all the fun times they had coming up with fund-raisers, some good, some not so good (pink & turquoise "Turkey Creek Cruise Night" t-shirts) which after two or three years they had to be given away in welcome bags. He spoke of the decision to put Christmas lights on the tops of all businesses

on main street. This was a great idea, but in those days, the chamber actually put up the lights. To this day, Tim Dillard still has flashbacks to that day when he took a tumble off a roof. The things the chamber members would do to beautify their town.

Mr. Cary talked of the great memories and great friends he has from Cross Plains and Chamber of Commerce.

There was a cake auction led by David Estes with dessert donations made by Leslie Lawrence, Jane Bonner, Dee Harrell, Jean McWilliams and Yvonne Peevy. There were wonderful door prizes donated by LaQuinta of Eastland, Karen Lenz, Shana Hinyard, Dora Warlick, Lawrence's Farm and Ranch, and many others.

Karen Lenz recognized a congratulatory letter from Governor Rick Perry for the chambers 20 years of service to the community of Cross Plains. The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce also has a new website that will be available to the public and visitors - crossplainschamberofcommerce.net

The benediction was given by Wayne Lenz.

Submitted by
Debi Bennett



DILLARD FAMILY — Tim Dillard's family was represented as he received Business of the Year. Pictured are Martha Dillard (from left), Donnie Dillard, Terri Nixon, Barbara Dillard, Sarah Nixon, Paulette Foster, Tim Dillard, James Foster, Tracy Dillard.



STAGHORN CAFE — The delicious banquet meal was catered by Staghorn Cafe. Staff pictured is Nadine Nickerson (from left), Kaitlyn Potter, Connie Potter, Rickie Jo Brown and Kara Potter.

Callahan County Tea Party Meeting Set for August 12th

The next meeting of the Callahan County Tea party is set for Thursday, August 12th at 7PM, in the building across the street from the Church of Christ at South 4th and Austin St. in Clyde. An error was made in the last article on the date of this meeting-sorry for any confusion. Our meetings, unless special arrangements are made, are on the second Thursday of each month. All

Callahan County residents are encouraged to attend our next meeting!

Plans will be finalized for the September 11th voter registration drive at several of the businesses around Clyde. Volunteers are still needed to man tables in all areas of Callahan County.

REMEMBER—Registration to vote must be post marked no later than October 2 to vote in

the November 2nd elections!

Plans for the Oktoberfest Parade on October 9th in Clyde will be finalized at this meeting. Decoration selections and volunteer assignments will be completed. A decision on having a booth at the Oktoberfest Celebration will be decided. The celebration will be held in the pecan grove located west of the old stadium on FM18 in Clyde following the

parade. Make plans to come down and enjoy the food, music and booths at the Oktoberfest Celebration!

REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER!
All tyranny needs to gain a foothold is for people of good conscience to remain silent.
Thomas Jefferson

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 25, 2010 through July 31, 2010 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings—122
Complaints—52
Possession of Marijuana—1
Possession of a Controlled Substance—1
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There were four vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

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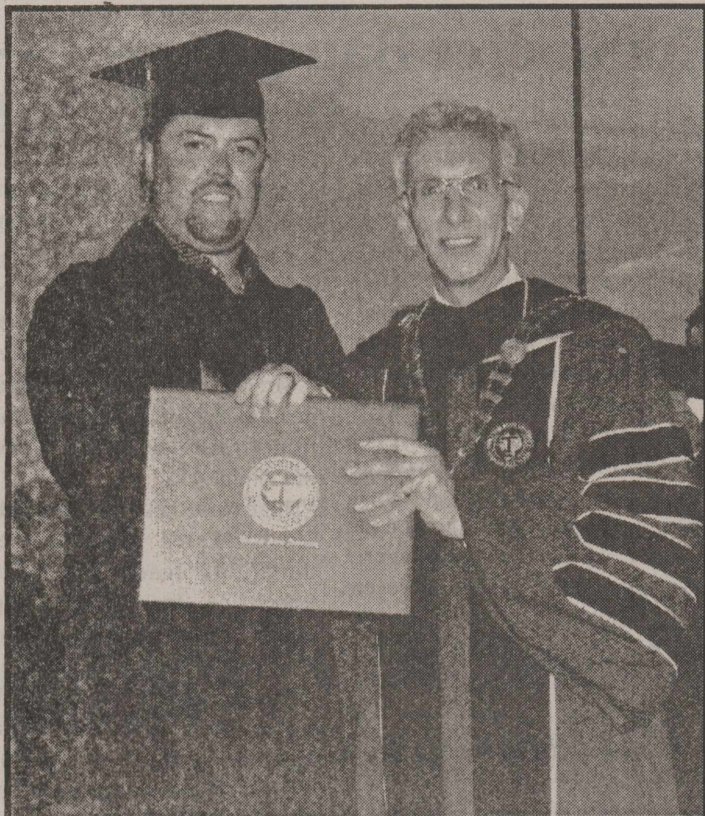
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CODY REED — Cody Reed of Cross Plains receiving his Bachelor of Science Degree from Tarleton State University.

Local Man Graduates from Tarleton State University

Cody Reed of Cross Plains graduated from Tarleton State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Interdisciplinary Agriculture from the university's Stephenville campus. Commencement ceremonies were held May 14th at Memorial Stadium. Founded in 1899, Tarleton is one of the

fastest growing institutions of higher learning in Texas.

Cody's wife is Shana and the couple have one son, Kutter. His parents are Rusty and Debbie Reed, all of Cross Plains. He has been employed with Superior Essex in Brownwood for six years and is a calibration manager.

Callahan County Nutrition Center Fundraiser, Aug. 21st

The Callahan County Nutrition Center will be hosting a fundraiser on Saturday, August 21, 2010 at the Baird Senior Citizens Center.

A brisket dinner with all the

trimmings will be served, beginning at 5 p.m.

Advance tickets will be available.

Look for further details in next weeks newspapers.

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Several fall, winter events planned at Baird Depot Museum

Several special fall and winter events are being planned this fall and winter at the Texas and Pacific Depot Transportation Museum, according to Program Coordinator Sheila Barrow.

The first event is a "Salute to Doc Griggs" with an exhibit/open house planned by the Baird Ex-Students on Saturday, September 11th from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Depot Museum located at 100 Market Street in Baird.

The second event is "A Haunted Night at the Old Museum" with an evening of frightening fun under the full moon on Saturday, October 23rd from 8:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

The third fall event on the calendar is "Fine Dining on the T and P" with an exhibit of railroad china and dining car photos and history, with a box lunch program on Saturday, November 6th from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

The final fall event is the "Christmas at the Depot" on Saturday, December 4th. This event is the annual 48 Study Club's Tour and Bake sale. Carolers and hot chocolate are being planned from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Depot Museum.

For more information, contact Sheila Barrow at 893-5725 or e-mail at skbarrow@windstream.net.

Call if your group would like a private tour of the museum. You can contact the Depot Museum

at 854-2003 or e-mail at chamber@bairdtxas.com.

The Texas and Pacific Depot Transportation Museum is a non-profit organization operated by the City of Baird. They strive to make the 1911 renovated Depot accessible to groups in the Callahan County area. Not only do they offer museum exhibit space, but also meeting rooms for interested organizations and rental options for private gatherings. The building is handicapped accessible with an elevator to the second floor and entrance ramps.

Rental fee for the Depot Museum is \$60 for the first four hours with a minimum of four hours. Each additional hour is \$10.

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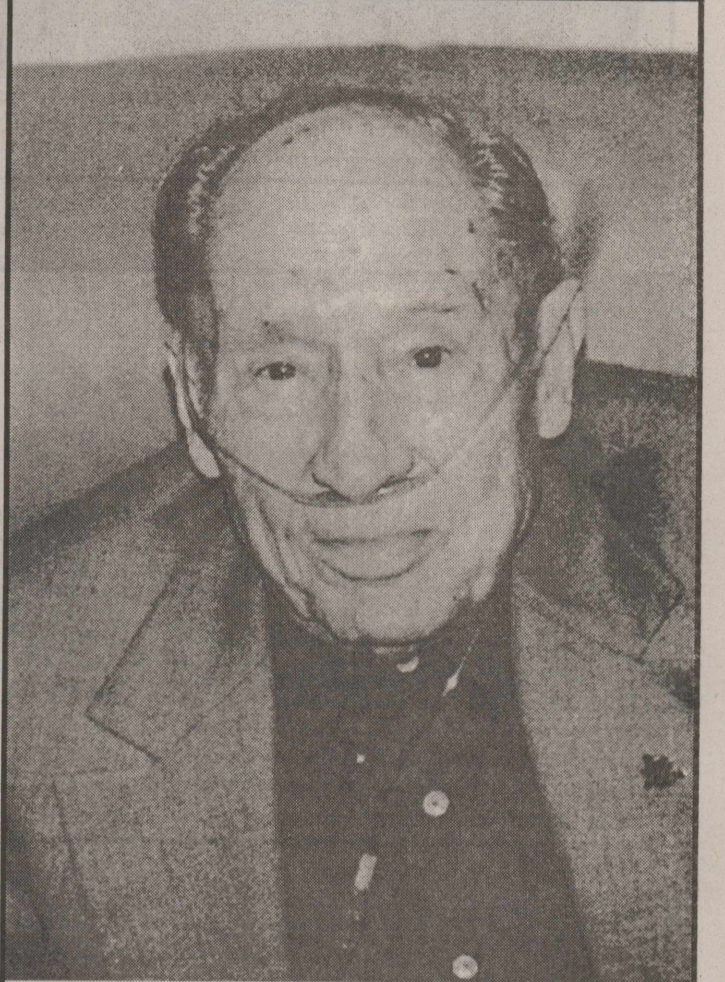
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FIVE YEARS YOUNG — Carl Edington with his best friend "Dash" who was also five at the time this picture was taken.



CARL EDINGTON — will be celebrating his 90th birthday with a "thank you" party for the community, Saturday, August 7th.

Carl B. Edington to Celebrate 90th Birthday this Saturday, August 7th

Wishing to share God's blessing of 90 years, Carl B. Edington invites all who have touched his life to join him for cake and punch celebrating this special birthday. The come and go reception will be held at the Community Room

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AUSTIN, Texas— With more historic county courthouses than any other state, Texas is privileged to house more than 235 temples of justice that are at least 50 years old. The Texas Historical Commission's award-winning Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program has made possible the complete restoration of more than 40 of these structures, but the continued support of the Texas Land Title Association (TLTA) ensures these beautiful buildings maintain their newly restored glory. Now in its fifth year of support, TLTA has provided grants enabling the THC to offer its successful Texas Courthouse Stewardship Workshop program. TLTA has recommitted a generous grant for the 2011 workshop, renewing its support to this unique public/private partnership that provides needed training and technical assistance to newly restored historic county courthouses.

"Texas Land Title Association members, including title insurance agents and underwriting companies, are proud to continue this partnership with the Texas Historical Commission in preserving historic county courthouses," says Brian Pitman, president of the TLTA Board of Directors. "As guardians of the records and deeds of ownership of home and property, historic county courthouses need to be safeguarded and the Courthouse Stewardship Workshop program creates a public-private partnership to help accomplish this goal."

The Texas Courthouse Stewardship Workshop program was created in 2005 to provide training and maintenance guidance to counties with courthouses recently restored through the THC's Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program. As a component of the workshop, TLTA recognizes counties displaying exemplary stewardship of their historic courthouses with awards of honor. Johnson County was a recipient of a 2010 TLTA Texas Historic Courthouse Stewardship Award of Honor because of the foresight of local officials. The Beaux Art style courthouse was restored through the THC's Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program in 2008 and the county was proactive in providing training to its custodial and maintenance staff, establishing a "cushion fund" to account for future repair needs.

"The guidance provided by the Texas Historical Commission and the support we've received by participating in the Texas Courthouse Stewardship Workshop program has enabled us to plan for the bright future of our historic courthouse," said Johnson County Judge Roger Harmon. "We knew we could not let our beautifully restored courthouse fall back into disrepair and we hope to serve as inspiration for other counties with similar challenges."

The courthouse stewardship workshops are a beneficial facet to the THC's Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program. Since its inception in 1999, the program has awarded \$227 million to counties, and local governments have matched this with more than \$147 million. The result has been the creation of more than 7,750 jobs and more than \$17 million generated in local taxes. In 2008, the program earned national attention with a Presidential Award from the White House.

To learn more about the TLTA visit www.tlta.com. For more information on the stewardship workshops and the courthouse program, contact the THC's Architecture Division at 512.463.6094 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us.

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Thirsty's Beer Barn & More now open in Baird

Thirsty's Beer Barn & More opened for business on Monday, August 2nd, according to the store owner Nick Saab.

The beer and wine drive-through is now open seven days a week from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 midnight, except on Sunday when it opens at 12:00 noon and closes at midnight. The business is located at 708 I-20 East at the old Abernathy Texaco service station site on the North Access Road in Baird. The store phone number is 854-1712.

Nick, who also owns Thrifty's Food Mart in Clyde said they could have opened its doors for business this past weekend, however they wanted to make sure everything went smoothly before opening for business.

The beer and wine store carries all three major beers, including Budweiser, Coors and Miller. Nick said Budweiser has the largest market share in the Big Country and the majority of the beer store shelving sells Budweiser products.

Nick said beer is available in six-pack, 12 pack and case sizes. He said individual beer products are only sold in 24 ounce aluminum cans and 40 ounce bottles.

The store owner said the store also carries Chardonnay wine products.

Nick said the store currently cooks pizza, chicken wings and bar-b-que sandwiches in its deli during store operating hours. He said there will not be any sit-down area inside the building.

Nick said an area inside the building will be used to concoct frozen mixed drinks such as margaritas, however he has not yet received his license to sell mixed beverages. He said these products will not be mixed with hard liquor, but instead through lower alcoholic percentage products such as wine coolers. The store owner said when he does receive his license to sell these mixed drinks, they will be sealed in a to-go cup and then wrapped and sealed in a plastic bag.

Nick said along with alcoholic beverages and soft drinks, most convenience store items will also be sold such as candy bars, potato chips and snacks, a large selection of beef jerky and all types of tobacco products will be sold. He said the store will also sell bread products and milk.

He said there is a soft drink fountain area inside the drive-through and will sell Coke, Diet Coke, Dr. Pepper, Sprite, Fanta Orange and Barq's Root Beer products. He said that refills from a customer's cup are .75 cents each.

Nick said because he will eventually be selling mixed drinks,



NEW BAIRD STORE—Thirsty's Beer Barn & More opened for business on Monday, August 2nd at its location at the North Service Road and State Highway 283 in Baird. The store is open seven days a week. Store hours are from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 midnight Monday through Saturday and from 12:00 noon until 12:00 midnight on Sunday.



THIRSTY'S BEER BARN & MORE IS NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS. THE STORE KEEPS THEIR BEVERAGES COLD AT 32 DEGREES.

he can not sell Texas lottery tickets in his store. He said the only type of convenience store items that will not be sold is gasoline.

The store owner said the beer barn currently has a staff of five employees. He said Tyler Wade is manager of Thirsty's. The store owner said that all employees

he hires are "TABC certified" employees. He said that if a non-certified employee of a beverage store sells to a minor, to someone through a fake ID, or

an intoxicated person, that business is liable for any fines. He said because all of his employees are "TABC certified", the employee will be liable for any fines imposed by the TABC. He said employees can be "TABC certified" on-line through a course which takes just over an hour or through a class which is offered occasionally in Abilene. He said employees are "TABC certified" for a two year period. He said all of his "TABC certified" employees will have their TABC certification displayed at the business site.

He said to obtain his beverage license from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC), he went through an extensive background check. He said the TABC also checked into his financial situation because all the alcoholic beverages sold through the business will be delivered from the alcoholic beverage distributors on a "cash only" basis. Nick said if a business writes two hot checks on the alcoholic beverages his beverage license will be suspended.

The store owner said the Thirsty's building will only sell beer, wine and wine coolers. He said if this type of business does well, a separate building will be constructed on the site to sell hard liquors. Nick said that businesses which sell hard liquors have different hours than traditional beer stores.

Nick said his new business will have "the coldest" beverages offered. He said all the beers he sells will be cooled to just over 32 degrees, that's why he has designed beer coolers which only sell beer. He said other types of soft drinks will be dispensed from other coolers.

Nick said the drive-thru doors are designed to accommodate large vehicles, including pickup trucks and trailers. He said the doors will also accommodate most recreational vehicles up to 14 feet high.

He said the business will have a handicapped accessible restroom and that customers will be able to use the restroom, but his employees will ask they park outside the building. He said the building site parking lot has been black topped.

The new store owner said the business is designed for customers to drive through and not get out of their vehicle at any time during the transaction. "We prefer they don't get out of their vehicle," Nick said.

Nick said that he will have a grand opening at his store in Baird after his employees become acquainted to the store procedures.

TXU Energy launches online energy store

Dallas—Energy-sapping phantom loads and lurking energy vampires beware: your days are numbered thanks to the launch of the TXU Energy Online Store.

As energy- and budget-conscious Texans look for ways to use electricity more efficiently and save money, the TXU Energy Online Store provides a one-stop shop for hard-to-find products that can make your home more energy efficient. "Our Online Energy Store is a valuable resource for anyone looking to save money and be more energy efficient," said Jim Burke, CEO for TXU Energy. "You can find the tools you need to help you use less electricity today and save more money during those peak summer months."

The TXU Energy Online Store lets consumers shop from home over the internet for items ranging from caulk to chimney balloons, to hard-to-find bug-deterrent and odor-eliminating CFLs, to motion-sensing smart power strips that automatically turn on and off.

TXU Energy partnered with EFI, one of the leading residential distributors of energy efficiency-related products in the United States. The partnership makes it easy for people to purchase energy efficiency products at the TXU Energy Online Store.

To find the energy efficiency products you need at the TXU Energy Online Store, go to: txu.com/energystore. To learn more about which products are right for you and your home, check out txu.com/energysolutions.

About TXU Energy
TXU Energy is a market-leading competitive retailer that provides electricity and related services to more than 2.2 million electricity customers in Texas. TXU Energy offers a variety of innovative products and solutions, allowing both its residential and business customers to choose options that best meet their needs, including exceptional customer service, competitively priced electricity service plans, innovative energy efficiency options, renewable energy programs and other electricity-related products and services. Visit www.txuenergy.com for more information about TXU Energy.

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Texas Sales Tax Holiday set for August 20th-22nd

Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 20th, 21st and 22nd - the state's annual tax holiday. Layaway plans can be used again this year to take advantage of the sales tax holiday.

As in previous years, the law exempts most clothing and footwear priced under \$100 from sales and use taxes, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend. Backpacks under \$100 and used by elementary and secondary students are also exempt. A backpack is a pack with straps one wears on the back. The exemption during the sales tax holiday includes backpacks with wheels, provided they can also be worn on the back like a traditional backpack, and messenger bags. The exemption does not include items that are reasonably defined as luggage, briefcases, athletic/duffel/gym bags, computer bags, purses or framed backpacks. Ten or fewer backpacks can be purchased tax-free at one time without providing an exemption certificate to the seller.

School Supplies
The 81st Texas Legislature passed HB 1801 (2009) expanding the list of items qualifying for exemption from Texas state and local sales and use taxes during the annual sales tax holiday in August. Effective this year, in addition to clothes, footwear and some backpacks, Texas families also get a sales tax break on most school supplies priced at less than \$100 purchased for use by a student in an elementary or secondary school.

The following is an all-inclusive list of qualifying school supplies (if priced less than \$100):

- Binders
- Book bags
- Calculators
- Cellophane tape
- Blackboard chalk
- Compasses
- Composition books
- Crayons
- Erasers
- Folders; expandable, pocket, plastic, and manila
- Glue, paste and paste sticks
- Highlighters
- Index cards
- Index card boxes
- Legal pads
- Lunch boxes
- Markers
- Notebooks
- Paper; loose leaf ruled notebook paper, copy paper, graph paper, tracing paper, manila paper, colored paper, poster board, and construction paper
- Pencil boxes and other school supply boxes
- Pencil sharpeners
- Pencils
- Pens
- Protractors
- Rulers
- Scissors
- Writing tablets

No exemption certificate is required - with one exception. If the purchaser is buying the supplies under a business account, the retailer must obtain an exemption certificate from the purchaser certifying that the items are purchased for use by an elementary or secondary school student. "Under a business account" means the purchaser is using a business credit card or business check rather than a personal credit card or personal check; being billed under a business account maintained at the retailer; or using a business membership at a retailer that is membership based.

List of Clothing, Footwear and Backpacks, and Their

Exemption

TAX-FREE

- Baby clothes
- Backpacks for use by elementary and secondary students
- Belts with attached buckles
- Boots - cowboy, hiking
- Caps/hats - baseball, fishing, golf, knitted
- Coats and wraps
- Diapers - adult and baby
- Dresses
- Gloves (generally)
- Gym suits and uniforms
- Hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts
- Hosiery
- Jackets
- Jeans
- Jerseys - baseball and football
- Jogging apparel
- Neckwear and ties
- Pajamas
- Pants and trousers
- Raincoats and ponchos
- Robes
- Shirts
- Shoes - sandals, slippers, sneakers, tennis, walking
- Socks (including athletic)
- Shorts
- Suits, slacks, and jackets
- Sweatshirts
- Sweat suits
- Sweaters
- Swimsuits
- Underclothes
- Work clothes and uniforms

TAXED

- Accessories (generally) - barrettes elastic ponytail holders, wallets, watches
- Backpacks - unless for use by elementary and secondary students
- Baseball cleats and pants
- Belt buckles (without belt)
- Boots - climbing, fishing, rubber work boots, ski waders
- Buttons and zippers
- Cloth and lace, knitting yarns, and other fabrics
- Dry cleaning services
- Football pants
- Golf gloves
- Handbags and purses
- Handkerchiefs
- Hard hats
- Helmets - bike, baseball, football hockey, motorcycle, sports
- Ice skates
- Jewelry
- Laundering services
- Leather goods - except belts with buckles and wearing apparel
- Pads - football, hockey, soccer elbow, knee, shoulder
- Personal flotation devices
- Rented clothing (including uniforms, formal wear, and costumes)
- Roller blades and skates
- Safety clothing, glasses
- Shoes - bicycle (cleated), bowling, golf.

A word of caution: If you sell items that do not qualify for the exemption, you may not advertise or promise that you will pay your customers' sales tax. Additionally, you are prohibited from advertising that you will not collect sales tax on items that do not qualify. You may advertise that tax is included in the sales price of the taxable items that you sell, however.

For information on how to report tax on these sales, please visit Reporting Sales Tax on Tax-Free Items or call us toll free at (800) 252-5555.

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Dove Management Seminar August 19th in Merkel

Texas AgriLife Extension Service will conduct a multi-county Dove Management Seminar on August 19, 2010 from 6pm to 8:30pm in Merkel.

The program will be in the Heritage Hall, located at 111 Taylor St. in Merkel. Two Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered. (one in IPM & one in General).

Dove hunting is big business in our area, and it looks like this season is going to be a good one.

With dove season almost here, now is the time for dove enthusiasts to learn more.

Topics to be covered: Mourning and White-Winged Dove Biology & Management by Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension Wildlife Specialist, San Angelo; Laws and Harvest Regulations, Roy Johnson,

Game Warden; Managing and Marketing Dove Hunting, Rob Hailey, Hailey Ranch; Economic Importance of Dove

Hunting, Bill Thompson, Extension Economist, San Angelo; Understanding your Liability and Speakers Panel, Dale Rollins. This seminar is being conducted by AgriLife Extension offices in Taylor and Jones Counties.

Individual registration is \$5.00 by August 17th or \$10.00 at the door. The fee will cover a catered meal that will begin at 5:45pm.

To pre-register or for more information, call Taylor County Ext. Office 325-672-6048 or Jones County Ext. Office 325-823-2432.

Robert Pritz, Taylor County Extension Agent-Ag

Baird Schools 2010 Homecoming

There is always something going on with Baird grads and exes. Jack Hunter (1949) has become quite an artist in recent years and was honored with a showing of his work in Palestine, TX during the month of June.

Anita Ivy Tatom (1950) is proud of her grandson, Parker Prewit, who earned the Eagle Scout Badge in January and then graduated from Leuders-Avoca High School in May. He is the son of Monica and Charles Prewit. The Eagle Scout Badge takes as much, or more, work then four years of high school!

Jim Misenheimer (Baird 1939 - Jasper 1950) Sad news came in March with the death of Dr. James B. Misenheimer, Jr. Jimmy started school in Baird in 1939 and finished at the top of his 1950 Jasper, TX High School class. He was

salutatorian of his 1953 class at Baylor, with a BA in English and German cum laude. In 1954 he received an MA in English from Southern Illinois and his Ph.D. in English Literature in 1964 at the University of Colorado, Boulder.

Jim served eight years as an Air Force officer and his teaching career spanned 40 years. He taught at Southern Illinois University, Baylor University, University of Colorado, the US Air Force Academy, George Washington University, University of North Texas and Indiana State University, where he completed his teaching career with 21 years of service. Our first grade teacher was Miss Earlene West and she would be very proud of helping Jimmy Misenheimer with the beginning of such a fine academic career.

Submitted by: Tom Ivey

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