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Big 'Thanks' from Cross Plains VFD

The Cross Plains VFD is a 501 C non-profit organization supported by donations, fundraisers and revenue reimbursement.

We would like to thank everyone for your support. We appreciate every dollar and time that the community has sacrificed. Without your support, we could not have an effective fire department.

In the past, we used a company called Revenue Rescue to do the collecting. They received 20% to do the paperwork. Three years ago, the fire department decided to do their own paperwork, in effort to save money. At that time, they decided to use the National Fire Reporting System and the Texas Forestry Reporting System to evaluate the number of hours spent on each scene. Each incident is charged out by the time spent working the incident (from the time the call is paged out until all units are back in the Fire House). This cost recovery applies only to structural fires and motor vehicle accidents. There is no cost recovery on wildland fires.

This cost recovery should be forwarded to owners insurance by the owner because CPVFD does not have access to their provider. This process will help to recoup revenue spent on these incidences since CPVFD works on a close budget.

Last year the CPVFD sent out 900 letters asking for help. Out of the 900 letters, 50 people responded and 4 people together gave \$4500.00, the other 46 people gave \$7750.25. The CPVFD serves and protects 415 sq. miles of property and approximately 6000 residents. As you can see this is about a dollar and thirty cents per person, the

price of one third of a gallon of gas. Each incident, on average

takes \$70.00 of fuel. Last year CPVFD spent: Repair/Maintenance \$6573.82 Fundraiser Supplies \$1437.44 Fuel \$2987.53 Pager Repair \$306.00 Heating Gas \$1065.82 Office Supplies \$1284.78 \$2364.74 Misc./Utilities Total expense for the year 2013 is \$20582.67.

The CPVFD has 17 active Firemen and 6 reserve Firemen that are on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. These people DO NOT RE-CEIVE ANY PAY FOR THEIR TIME! They fight your fires, work your wrecks, chase your cattle off the roadways, go to schooling/trainings, stand long hours at the street corner, and work fish fries and chili suppers all so the community can have an excellent fire department. Most fire departments are funded through Emergency Service Districts or through a fire tax on your taxes; Callahan County does not have either. The county donates \$600.00 a year to all fire departments in the county. The City of Cross Plains donates \$10,000.00 a year for up keep, fuel and utilities for the station and trucks. They also pay for workers compensation and insurance for the trucks. Without the city's help, CPVFD could not function, so thank you City of Cross Plains!

At this time, CPVFD is in the process of building a new station located on 2nd and Ave. F from the proceeds from the big fire in 2005. Have you forgotten this one? CPVFD has been saving and working toward this for eight years and has raised approximately half of the money to complete this project.

Through grants, donations and fundraisers, CPVFD has been able to make much needed improvements. CPVFD received a grant for \$18,000.00 for a new skid unit. We applied for this grant three years ago. At that time we were building three new 6X6 fire trucks, each truck cost about \$30,000.00 to build. An additional grant was received to help CPVFD purchase a new 4X4 Fast Attack/Rescue Truck that will be delivered in April. CPVFD is trying to upgrade all worn out equipment to better serve the community. CPVFD now has 10 units to protect and

All these projects come with a price tag. Everything is higher today that it was 15 years ago. I was told yesterday that some good people were going to stop to the department due to the Cost Recovery. Well if that is the case I hope that when the donated funds are no longer available, that some other station will help cover your needs. Unlike some other towns the EMS and the Fire Departments are separate entities and all the money that EMS charges goes to the EMS. When our family is in need, whether it is a wreck on a cold late night, a fire started by someone else, a hog, deer, or cattle causing an accident, call 9-1-1. We will be there to help. All we ask is that you think about Crockett and seconded by John CPVFD and what it would be like without them.

Thank you so much for your continued help with our endeavors to improve the CPVFD and allowing us to serve the community. Again I would like to say Thank You for your support.

-Fire Chief Rickey Carouth

Cross Plains School Board Minutes

Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on January 20, 2014 with the following members present: Jack Shepard, Tommy Ames, Davy Crockett, John McWilliams, Michael Cowan, Roy Richey, Bryan Bennett. The following administators and guest were also in attendence: Superintendent, High School Principal and Elementry Principal. Guest were: Brandi Daliege, Mikki Daliege, Addison Daliege, McCulloch, Kevin Daliege, Delores McCulloch, Deanna Golson, April Wheeler, Anthony

Wheeler, Poppy-Anne Wheeler, The Prayer was led by Bryan

A motion was made by Jack Shepard and seconded by Michael Cowan that we proclaim Anthony Wheeler as January boys student of the month and also; proclaim Addison Daliege girls student of the month.

A motion was made by Jack Shepard and seconded by Michael Cowan to accept minutes from previous meeting, seven members voted for and 0 against. A motion was made by Michael Cowan and seconded by Roy Richey that we adopt calender two as the 2014-2015 school calender, seven members voted for and 0 against.

A motion was made by Davy

McWilliams that we call for a school board election- May 10, 2014, seven members voted for and 0 against. A motion was made by Roy Richey and seconded by Jack Shepard that we consider joint elections with the city of Cross Plains, seven

members voted for and 0 against. A motion was made by John McWillaims and seconded by Jack Shepard that we approve the the following Schedule B. Consider resolution to have joint elections with the City Cross Plains. Consider the following election decisions.

(A) Location of Polling Place-Cross Plains Community

(B) Election Judge- John Swift.

(C) Early Voting Clerk -Debbie Gosnell

(D) Early Voting Place The Board went into

executive session at 7:17 P.M. and returned at 8:16 P.M.

A motion was made by Jack Shepard and seconded by John McWilliams that the high school principals contract be extended thru 2015-2016. Six voted for and 0 against (Bennett left the meeting earlier.)

A motion was made by John McWilliams and seconded by Michael Cowan that Daniel Purvis be promoted to athletic director with a two year contract. Five voted for, Roy Richey abstained. Bennett still gone.

A motion was made by Jack Shepard and seconded by John McWilliams that we adjourn. Six for and 0 against. Bennett still

No action was taken on boys coordinator position.

Order of Election for other political subdivisons. An elections is hereby ordered to be held on May 10, 2014 for the purpose of: Electing two full term board members for 3 year terms. Applications for a place on the ballott shall be filed by February 28, 2014. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City Hall, Cross Plains, Tx. between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. beginning on April 28, 2014 and ending May 6, 2014. Applications for ballott by mail shall be mailed to Debbie Gossnell City Hall, P. O. Box 129 Cross Plains, Tx. 76443. Application for Ballott by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 1,

Additional early voting will be held as follows:

Location - City Hall, Cross Plains, Tx. May 5, 2014 between 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Location - City Hall, Cross Plains, Tx May 6, 2014 between 7:00 am and 7:00 p.m. Issued this 20th day of February 2014 signed by all seven members.

By Lady Hornets

The Cross Plains Lady Buffs' state playoff hopes ended Tuesday night at the hands of the highly ranked Lady Hornets at Jim Ned High School by the score of 62-35.

The taller Lady Hornets (26-3) had a very stingy defense that made it difficult for the Lady Buffs to run their offense. Offensively, the Lady Hornets height advantage allowed them to race off to a huge early lead and never look back.

The Lady Buffs were led by Jurnee Thomas with 13 points and 5 rebounds. Nichole Eisenbach added 12 points and 6 rebounds. Kristin Wright and Alyssa Wheeler both had 4 points and Kelli Bennett had 2 points to round out the scoring.

The Lady Buffs finished a great season with a 20-6 record while winning their third consecutive district championship going undefeated in district play those three years.

Lady Buff coach Jeff Blackburn is retiring after this year and ended his four years as head coach with a 90-30 record. Assistant coach Mykia Anderson will be taking over as head coach for the 2014-15 season.

Filing deadline for Cross Plains City Council ends Feb. 28th

February 28th is the last day to file for a position on the Cross Plains City Council election to be held on May 10th, 2014. Positions on this year's ballot include those of Mayor Ray Purvis, Councilman Bob Kirkham and Jerry Cassle. So far, all three incumbents have signed up to run for those respective seats as well as James Nichols signing up to run for city council.



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Experience 'True Grit' Begins March 3rd

Cross Plains Public Library invites the community to join in Experience True Grit as part of The Big Read - an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts, and managed by Arts Midwest. Our 6-week celebration begins March 3, 2014, and will feature Charles Portis book True Grit. The kick-off event will begin at 1:00 p.m. at the library with a reading of Mayor Ray Purvis proclamation, the unveiling of an original movie poster signed by 2010 True Grit movie producers Ethan and Joel Coen, and the announcement of our winning T-shirt design. Guests are invited to peruse the special collection of library books that has been assembled about persons who exhibit True grit.

The library will be holding several book discussions on Thursdays for our adults. The Worst Hard Time will be discussed on March 20th at 6:00 p.m. at Jean's Feed Barn with a short video presentation. On March 27th, the 1969 John Wayne movie will be shown, and on April 3rd, the Jeff Bridges movie will be shown. Both movies will be viewed at the library beginning at 5:00 p.m., followed by a book-to-movie discussion at Jean's Feed Barn. Free copies of these books are available at the library. On April 10th, Mark Finn will be joining us at 7:00 p.m. for a contrast/comparison of Robert E. Howard's westerns to Charles Portis writ-

Sharon Riley will be our

guest for The Nitty Gritty of Cooking at a luncheon on March 7th, at the First United Methodist Church at 11:30 a.m., featuring dishes from her new cookbook. Sharon will have a cooking demonstration and we will be giving away prizes, including a copy of her cookbook.

Olympic gold-medalist and John Wayne stunt-double, Dean Smith, will be featured at a library fundraiser for the entire family. This unique experience will be held on March 23rd at 2:00pm at the First United Methodist Church. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Seating is limited; tickets may be purchased at the library or at Lawrence Farm & Ranch Supply. Desserts and drinks will be served.

For the children, the March 5th After School Adventure Program will feature the Cross Plains Garden Club with Nitty Gritty Dirt Gardening, while the April 2nd ASAP welcomes guest Nancy Robinson Masters with What is True Grit? Both programs begin at 4:00 p.m. in the Children's Discovery Center.

Teens will Experience the True Grit of Bethany Hamilton with a book/movie event of Soul Surfer on Saturday, April 5th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Main Street Pool House & Surf Shop. Pizza and drinks will be served.

On Saturday, April 5th, the library will hold a book sale on Hwy 36 across from Lawrence Farm & Ranch Supply from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. ExperiTurner will have all proceeds going to Owen Turner's Love

The Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center will sponsor four John Wayne movie marathons all on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. Dates are March 6th, March 13th, April 3rd, and April 10th. Also at the Senior Center will be a Hoedown with Larry Pointer, featuring a chuck wagon-style lunch, entertainment by Pointer, and a celebration of all the March birthdays. That same day, Meals-on-Wheels clients will receive a copy of the True Grit book, a Reader's Guide, a CD, and Big Read bookmark, delivered with their meals. The Senior Center will also host our closing celebration with a street dance and dinner on Sat., April 12th – details to be announced.

Kiwanis will welcome guest speaker Michelle Kaiser on Tuesday, March 4th, at Jean's Feed Barn at 7:00 a.m. The public is invited. Beta Sigma Phi sorority will have Kaiser as their guest speaker on Tuesday, April 8th, with a program on Experience the True Grit of Texas Women. Some Cross Plains English classes will be competing in a Round Roadrunner story to win free movie passes. Once again, there will be a writing contest and weekly puzzles with prizes for all.

Please join us for one or more of these events and Experience True Grit.

District 15 A D2 2014 All-District Teams

Most Valuable Player-Nicole Eisenbach Sr Cross Plains Offensive Player of the Year-Jurnee Thomas Sr Cross Plains All-District First Team: (*Indicates unanimous choice)

Cross Plains Kristin Wright* Cross Plains Taryn Estes* 2nd Team All-District **Cross Plains Texas Sanders** Cross Plains Alyssa Wheeler

Lindsey Ames Cross Plains Allanta Wheeler Kelli Bennett Cross Plains Soph

Honorable Mention All-District

Cross Plains Coach of the Year: Jeff Blackburn

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Sunday Morning Worship	11:00am
Sunday Evening Worship.	6:00pm
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Pastor Max Evans

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Sunday School	9:45 AM
Sunday School	11:00 AM
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center on East Hwy 36) Office: (254-725-6117)

Cell Phone: Rick - (918) 348-6859

You Could Win A Kindle Fire HDX In The "Got Grit?" **Writing Contest**

Once again the Cross Plains Public Library is celebrating The Big Read/"Experience True Grit" with a writing contest for all ages. Compositions must be between 5-7 paragraphs and about people, real or fictitious, that exhibit the characteristic of "true grit." Deadline is Thursday, March 27, and winners will be announced and

prizes awarded at the Street Dance Bonanza on April 12th. Stop by the library for an entry form or download from our facebook page. First prize is a 16GB Kindle Fire HD 7" tablet. Second prize is a \$50 Amazon.com gift certificate, and third prize is a movie pass for two at Premiere Cinema in Abilene.

Cross Plains Public Library Hosts "The Nitty Gritty of Cooking" with Sharon Riley

Abilene's own Sharon Riley, renowned cook, restaurateur, and caterer, owner of Sharon's Barbeque, Sharon's Catering, and Lytle Land & Cattle Company will be the Cross Plains Public Library's guest speaker at a luncheon featuring her new cookbook "Yum! Yum! An Abilene Tradition." Sharon will be sharing tips from her book and cooking Grilled Corn and Cheddar Quinoa. The entire luncheon menu will have recipes from her book. There

will be door prizes and an optional "Stylish Hat Contest" popular vote will determine the winner of a copy of Sharon's cookbook. Cost is \$12 and includes \$5 off the purchase of her book

Join us at the First United Methodist Church, 1000 N. Main St., Cross Plains, on Friday, March 7, at 11:30am. Tickets are on sale at the library through Feb. 27th. Call 254-725-7722 reservations.

Teens "Experience the **True Grit of Bethany** Hamilton"

The Cross Plains Public Li- ing to the water after losing her brary will host an "Experience left arm in a shark attack. FREE True Grit" event at the main Street copies of the book are available Pool House and Surf Shop on now at the library. Participants Saturday, April 5th at 7:00p.m. will be eligible for a drawing of Teens will enjoy "Soul Surfer" the free movie passes. Pizza and story of teenage surfer Bethany drinks will be served during the Hamilton, who overcame the movie, followed by a discussion odds and her own fears of return- of the "gritty" aspects of the char-

Kiwanis Pancake Supper March 6

Just one week away, on Thursday night, March 6-YES, Thursday, March 6!-is one of Cross Plains' great "Social Events" of each yearthe Kiwanis Pancake Supper! It is the night for great food and great fellowship. The "suggested donation" for so much eating and fellowship is only \$5 per person, \$3 for those 12 and under. That's all the pancakes and sausage you can eat, along with coffee, hot chocolate, tea or water. Where else can you get a deal like that?!

This is one of the major fundraisers for the Cross Plains Kiwanis Club. By

attending helpsupport the many projects that benefit both the children of our community, and the community as a whole.

The date, again, for the Pancake Supper is Thursday night, March 6, beginning at 5 p.m. and continuing until 7 p.m. The place is the Cross Plains School Cafeteria. Now this is only a few days away, so if you haven't purchased your ticket(s) yet, be sure and see a Kiwanian and buy them now. Buy more than one ticket and bring a friend or two-maybe give one to someone else. See you at the Pancake Supper!!

First United Methodist Church

Kevin Morton, Pastor

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

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

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

First Baptist Church

Sunday Morning 10:45 a.m.

Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School 9:30

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

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

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Senior Citizens CenterActivities

February 24th-28th

Monday - Exercise 11:00

Tuesday- Exercise 11:00

Wednesday- Exercise 11:00 Blood Pressure

Thursday - Excercise 11:00

Friday - Excercise 11:00

Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center seeks to nurture our aging population through nutritional, social and educational programs our goal is for all seniors, both well and frail, to utilize our services to enrich their lives.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

February 24-28

Monday 24th- Swiss Steak, Buttered Pasta, Cucumber Salad. Bread, Dessert

Tuesday 25th - Chicken Tenders, Potatoes & Gravy, Peas & Carrotts, Bread, Dessert

Wednesday 26th - Chili Dogs w/ cheese, Baked Beans, Fruit, Dessert,

Thusday 27th - Steak Fingers, Potatoes & Gravy, Mixed Vegetables

Friday 28th - Chicken Spagehetti, Corn, Lett/Tom Salad, Bread, Dessert

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

Tickets for Big Country Hall of Fame Banquet on sale

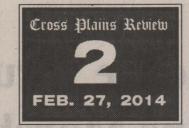
Tickets to the Big Country Ath- Pursley and Ann Schroeder. sale. The Banquet will be held at ceased) and Perry. the Abilene Civic Center at 6:30 \$40. This year's inductees are: Bill Anderson (posthumously), Larry Dippel, Kendra Anderson tables

letic Hall of Fame Banquet on Legacy inductees are the Young Monday, May 5th are now on brothers, Bob, Doug (both de-

For more information on the p.m. Tables are \$750, and non-inductees, the banquet and to reserved individual tickets are purchase tickets please go to: www.bigcountryhalloffame.org. You may also order tickets or by e-mailing Hassell, JimAnne Baker Hejny, carole@bigcountryhalloffame.org Jim Millerman, Terry Orr, Brad or calling (325) 668-3685.

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Love Fund

Has been established at Texas Heritage Bank For

Owen Turner son of Joseph and Allison Turner and grandson of Greg and Dannes Turner

LOVE FUND

A love fund has been set up at Texas Heritage Bank In Memory of Ricky Smith to help the family with expenses. Ricky is the son of Ileen Smith and the father of Holly Smith both of Cross Plains.

Love Fund

There is a Love Fund set up for the family of Billy Bell at the Texas Heritage Bank

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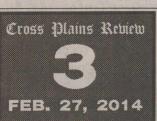
Leopard Frog

Taxonomists are the group of scientists who attempt to neatly classify animals into categories. This group of scientists can be classified themselves as either "splitters" (those who believe that slight morphological differences such as pattern or color separate otherwise identical animals into species or subspecies) and "lumpers" (those who believe that slight morphological differences are nothing more than clinal variation). Without good research involving DNA, I tend to be more of a "lumper" and the species of frog depicted today is a prime example of why I lean that direction.

Plains Leopard Frogs (Rana blairi) and Rio Grande Leopard Frogs (Rana berlandieri) both belong to a family that has eight representatives here in Texas. This particular frog family is known as the "true" frogs based on their long legs, extraordinary jumping ability and habitat selection. As with other members of this family, Leopard Frogs prefer to live in areas of permanent water such as lakes, ponds, rivers, and creeks, and cattle for a prominent light colored quickly (several weeks) or be stock tanks are also frequented. Specimens are often seen basking on or along the shorelines, just above the back leg. and many will take refuge in the footprints left by cattle and larger sex, with mature individuhorses that have come to the als approaching four and one tank to quench their thirst.

curs from Lake Michigan west- three inches. Differentiating ward to the Dakotas, then south- males from females can be probward to the panhandle region of lematic at best. Generally, males Frog occurs from the southern vocal sacs under their chins exthrough southern New Mexico of folds of skin under the chin. and then southward to San Luis . Like other amphibians, Leop-Potosi, Mexico. Neither range and Frogs live a dual life. Like further eastward in Texas than most frog species, breeding is the Hill Country. As currently initiated by the late spring thunrecognized, the separation of derstorms that generally occur. these two "species" is roughly The breeding call of the male is divided by the I-20 corridor.

medium sized complex of frog three snores or clucks. Once a can vary from tan to brown to receptive female approaches the even green. What is consistent male, he will clasp the female is the leopard-like array of light around the waist and externally. brown or dark brown spots that fertilize the thousand or so eggs. adorn the back, giving this group This activity is known as amits common name. The front plexus. Once the eggs hatch, legs are short, and are generally the fish-like tadpoles are primaflecked with dark spots. The rily herbivorous, although they back legs are disproportionately have been known to feed on long, with feet that are exten- small water-living invertebrates sively webbed. There is no web- and even tadpoles of other spebing on the front feet, nor are cies. Leopard Frog tadpoles are there any toe-pads. The ear- large, growing up to three inches drums are exposed on the side in total length. They are typiof the head and are known as cally brown, with a reticulated the tympani. One of the charac- pattern of spots on the tail. teristics that has been used to Metamorphosis can occur Cross Plains Review separate these two frogs has been the presence of a light spot in the middle of the tympani of the Plains version, while the Rio Grande version lacks such a spot. However, throughout the entire known range of the Rio Grande variety, I have witnessed a tympani spot in the Rio Grande group. The skin is smooth, save





Rio Grande Leopard Frogs (Rana berlandieri)

skin ridge that runs along the prolonged, up to several months. head from the back of the eye to

Adult females are slightly the half inches in body length. Males The Plains Leopard Frog oc- are smaller, seldom exceeding Texas. The Rio Grande Leopard during breeding will have their panhandle of Texas westward tended, having the appearance

distinctive, and can best be de-The dorsal coloration of this scribed as a series of loud two to The time parameters are chiefly dependant upon things such as water quality, pH levels, heat, and drought. Eventually, all the tadpoles metamorph into small froglets, developing air-breathing lungs rather than gills, absorbing the tail, and developing

Leopard Frogs are alert and shy, and can be extremely difficult to approach too closely, especially during the day. Once they hop into the water for safety, watch for them to emerge at the surface several feet from the shoreline. However, they are quite approachable at night, and many will sit completely still when the light from a flashlight is pointed in their eyes. To observe this group of frog, look along the shores of just about any permanent body of water throughout the Panhandle and west Texas:

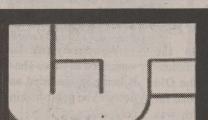
This complex is still hunted for biological studies, and hundreds of thousands are dissected in classrooms throughout the United States annually, but populations appear to be stable. Editor's Note: Michael Price would love to hear from folks! He can be reached by email at www.fullprice71@gmail.

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County Burn Ban reinstated by Commissioners' Court

The Callahan County Commis- duly commissioned peace ofsioners voted to reinstate the ficer in Callahan County countywide outdoor burn ban for another 90 days effective immediately.

The commissioners' court took the action Monday, February 24th during the commissioners' court meeting held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

The county outdoor burn ban

information follows: The Burn Ban order follows:

CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING ?

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 240.906 of the Local Government Code, the Callahan County Commissioners Court had found that dry conditions in the unincorporated areas of Callahan County create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and, whereas, such a finding authorizes the issuance of an order which prohibits or restricts outdoor burning.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED that the following regulations are hereby established for all unincorporated areas of Callahan County, Texas. (1) Action prohibited:

A. A person violates this order if he or she knowingly, intentionally or recklessly burns any combustible material outside of an enclosure which serves to contain all flames and/or sparks, or orders such burning by oth-

B. A person violates this order if he or she knowingly, intentionally or recklessly engages in any activity outdoors which could allow flames or sparks that could result in a fire, or orders such activities by others. (2) Enforcement:

A. A violation of this order is a Class C Misdemeanor. B. This order may be enforced by any

(3) This order is effective and date of adoption which is indicated below.

(4) This order does not apply to outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Conservation ing; public utility, natural gas pipeline, or mining operations, available for use. or, harvesting of agriculture

(5) Further, a person is not in necessary). violation if prior to the setting of any outdoor fire, he or she first obtains the permission of the appropriate volunteer Fire Chief. In this instance the Fire Chief will have the authority to set the conditions, restrictions, and/or precautions which must be observed.

(6) See Attachment A for welding precautions and Attachment days. An individual, or individu-B for grilling precautions.

ORDERED by the Callahan the 10th day of December, 2012, and executed on the same date.

> County Judge (s) Harold Hicks Commissioner Precinct #1 (s) Bryan Farmer Commissioner Precinct #2 (s) Tom Windham Commissioner Precinct #3 (s) Cliff Kirkham Commissioner Precinct #4

> > (s) Donna Bell, County Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

Due to high fire danger and dry foliage these restrictions were put in place for the protection of the Citizens and their property in charges. Callahan County. It was not in-

tended to take away a person's livelihood.

WELDING WILL BE PERMITenforceable for 90 days after the TED IF THE PROPER PRE-CAUTIONS ARE BEING TAKEN.

1. The individual welding must have a spotter.

2. Two wet fire extinguishers must be available.

3. Must have sufficient supply Commission for firefighter train- of water on hand at all times. 4. Must have water sprayer

> 5. Must wet down sufficient area (and re-wet as often as

These safety precautions must be taken and also, please use common sense and good judgement if the conditions are windy. If the job is not an emergency put it off until another date.

Violations will be punishable by a penalty of a fine of up to \$1,000.00 or confinement in jail for a term not exceeding 180 als, could be liable for damges, if fire occurs. If there is a fatality, County Commissioners Court on one could face possible felony

ATTACHMENT B

Due to high fire danger and dry foliage these restrictions were (s) Roger Corn put in place for the protection of the Citizens and their property in Callahan County.

OUTDOOR GRILLING WILL BE PERMITTED IF THESE PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN.

1. Individuals grilling must attend the grill at all times. 2. Must have sufficient supply

of water on hand at all times. 3. Cooking must be done in an Attest: enclosed cooker.

Violations will be punishable by a penalty of a fine of up to \$1,000.00 or confinement in jail for a term not exceeding 180 days. An individual, or individuals, could be liable for damges, if fire occurs. If there is a fatality, one could face possible felony



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Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group

Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group

The Cottonwood Fire Control Group met Tuesday night at the Cottonwood Community Center. Pictured are from left clockwise: Roy Boyd, Chairman of the Board; Adrian Allen; Norma Farmer, Secretary; Omar

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Cross Plains Little League Meeting

Cross Plains Little League will be having a meeting on Monday, March 3. It will be held at the First Baptist Church Familv Life Center in Cross Plains starting at 7:00 p.m. We have sent out baseball registration forms. Please fill the registration form out and send back to the school with the money enclosed. If you did not receive a baseball registration form you can pick one up at the High School Office.

This meeting will involve:

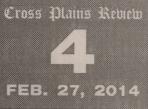
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City of Cross Plains **City Council Board Minutes** February 11, 2014

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. Members of the council present

Mayor Ray Purvis, Randy Strickland, Bob Kirkham, Colby Walker

Employees present were Debbie Gosnell, Teresa Kennedy, Jarrod Potter, Frankie

Hyles & Don Gosnell. Members of the public meeting with the council were Jacob

Stennett and Mark Norris. Ray Purvis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mark Norris gave the

invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was

recited by all. By general consent the minutes

were approved as presented. By general consent the police report was approved as presented.

By general consent the judge's report was approved as presented.

Kirkham moved to approve the bills as presented. Walker seconded and motion carried.

Walker moved to Order the May 10, 2014 General Election. Strickland seconded and motion carried.

Kirkham moved to hold a joint election with the Cross Plains ISD. Walker seconded and motion carried.

Walker approved the purchase of a 2014 Tahoe PPV in the amount of \$21,627.75. Kirkham seconded and motion carried.

Mayor Purvis read the letter of resignation from Stuart Sowell. With reluctance Strickland moved to accept Sowell's resignation effective February 14, 2014. Kirkham seconded and motion carried.

By general consent the council agreed to begin taking applications for maintenance immediately.

The council went over the monthly Senior Citizens Report. Since budget time is approaching rising food costs were discussed as well as federal funds being reduced and delayed payments. Ways to raise funds were discussed. Gosnell is to ask Vivian Wooten to meet with the council next month in Dannes'

Frankie Hyles updated the council on the flow meter that TCEQ required to be installed at the Sewer Plant. He reported that the vault, wiring and other

essentials have been installed and the meter company has scheduled installation of the meter for February 21st. Hyles also reported that he and Gosnell are in the process of getting bids for repairs to the water storage tanks. He commented that since the repairs are more than expected, the plan is to make the necessary repairs over the course of three years doing one tank annually and starting with

notify the council of the costs. Walker moved to go into executive session at 7:40 p.m. Strickland seconded and motion carried.

the worst one. He stated that

once the bids are in, we will

Personnel discussed.

Strickland moved to return to open meeting at 8:15 p.m. Kirkham seconded and motion carried.

Kirkham moved to hire Jacob Stennate as patrolman for the police department beginning March 15th. Walker seconded and motion carried.

Kirkham moved to adjourn, Walker seconded and motion

IBRARY NOTES

Library Hours

Monday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. **CLOSED FRIDAY**

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Cottonwood News By: Beverly Brown

The Burn Ban is back on. No outdoor burning or welding. Also, be careful barbequing or grilling. If you see smoke, call the Sheriff's Office at 325-854-1444.

goes from warm to cold to warm and back and forth.

and one of the first signs of Kiwanis Pancake Supper Cottonwood is in charge of scheduled for Thursday March 6. There are several Kiwanis members here in Cottonwood.

Cottonwood is the Cross Plains Garden Club. Annual Plant Sale on of the CP Library beginning at 9:00 a.m. Look for a wonderful assortment of bulbs and tubers, cactus, flowering plants, herbs and succulents.

The Musical is this Friday

night. The Barbarian Festival will be coming up in a few months. It's not too soon to start thinking about what kind of booth you'll have at the festival and what Seems like the weather float or vehicle you'll have in the parade. The parade is on Thursday, June 12th Spring will be here soon, and the festival is on Saturday, June 14th. Joe Spring is the Cross Plains Terstegge of here in

the parade.

There are still a few of the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group 25th Anni-Another organization versary books available. that's well represented in You can pick up one at Connie's Cuts and Curls or the Cross Plains Review They'll be having their office in Cross Plains. Or, you can order one by mail. Friday, April 11th in front Just send \$15.00 plus \$4.00 shipping to Beverly Brown, 14394 CR 429, Cross Plains, TX 76443, and well get the book shipped right out to you. The book features many photos of the past, as well as many recent photos of the Fire Control Group.

Commissoners Court Meeting Postponed

The meeting with the Callahan County Commissioners Court concerning the Old Cottonwood Cemetery road for Tuesday, February 25th was postponed due to a discrepancy is scheduling.

We are sorry if this has inconvenienced anyone. The meeting is being rescheduled and a notice will be published in the pa-

-The Cottonwood Historical Association

Cottonwood Country Musical this Friday

evening of fun at the Cottonwood Country Musical. Chicken spaghetti and salad along with sandwiches, desserts, coffee, tea, or soft

Come to Cottonwood, Texas drinks, will be available for sale on Friday February 28th for an in the kitchen. The serving will begin at 5:00 p.m.

The musicians will begin performing at 5:30 p.m. Hope to see yall there!!

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Monday 24th-Sausage Kolache, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Cereal, Fruit & Juice, Milk

Tuesday 25th- Cheddar Omelet wrap, cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk Wednesday 26th- Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk Thusday 27th- Waffles, Sausage, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Friday 28th- Cinnamon Breakfast Pastry, Yogurt, Cheese Stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Monday 3rd-Oatmeal Blueberry Muffins, Cereal, Fruit & Juice,

Tuesday 4th-Chicken-n-Biscuit, w/ syrup, Fruit & Juice, Cereal,

Wednesday 5th -Pancake/Sausage on a stick, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Fruit & Juice, Cereal,

Thursday 6th- Sunrise Sandwich, Cereal, Fruit & Juice,

Friday 7th-Oatmeal Round, Yogurt, Cheese Stick, Fruit & Juice, Milk

LUNCH

Monday 24th- Chicken Fajitas w/pepper & onion garnish, Charro Beans, Season Corn, Salsa, Orange Smiles, Milk

Tuesday 25th Country Fried Steak, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Strawberry Cup, Milk

Wednesday 26th- Beef & Cheese Chalupas, Salsa, Garden Salad, Refried Beans, Rosy-Applesauce, Milk.

Thursday 27th- Chicken Spaghetti, Garden Salad, Baby Carrotts, Apple Slices,

Breadstick, Milk Friday28th -Fish or Chicken, Cornbread, Sweet Potato Fries, Black Eyed peas, Sliced Peaches,

Monday 3rd-Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Tomatoe & Cucumber, Apple, Pineapple D'lite, Milk Tuesday 4th- Beefy Queso, Refried Beans, Garden Salad, Orange Smiles, Milk

Wednesday 5th-Chicken Sandwich, Oven Fries, Veggie Cup, Fruity Gelatin, Milk

Thursday 6th-Chicken Nuggets w/ gravy, Garden Salad, Baby Carrotts, Fresh Grapes, Breadstick, Milk

Friday 7th- Pizza Choice, Garden Salad, Seasoned Corn, Fresh Fruit bowl, Milk

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Farm Credit Bank of **Texas Reports Record** Earnings in 2013

Bank of Texas (FCBT), a cooperatively owned wholesale bank that provides funding for rural retail lenders, has released preliminary unaudited financial highlights and results for the year ended Dec. 31, 2013, reporting record earnings for the eighth consecutive year.

The Austin-based bank reported \$179.8 million in net income in 2013, a 3.0 percent increase over its 2012 earnings. Total assets grew 5.4 percent to \$16.2 billion.

Gross loan volume was \$11.8 billion at Dec. 31, 2013, an increase of 3.9 percent over the previous year's volume. This increase included growth in the bank's participation loan volume and in its direct notes to its affiliated lending institutions.

The bank's asset quality improved further in 2013 due to its underwriting practices, loan servicing and portfolio management, as well as improved economic conditions in its five-state territory. At the end of the year, 98.2 percent of the bank's overall portfolio was considered acup from 97.5 percent the year

"We had a very strong year all the way around financially," said Larry Doyle, FCBT chief executive officer. "We are well-positioned to provide low-cost funds to our affiliated lenders so that they can provide sound and dependable credit in the rural communities they serve."

The federated cooperative shares its earnings with its owners and other patrons, and recently distributed a \$71.5 million cash patronage payment and allocated another \$3.3 million for future cash payouts. Through this patronage declaration, the bank shared more than 41.6 percent of its 2013 net income with its affiliated rural lending cooperatives and other financing institutions.

Together, the bank and its affiliated cooperatives declared \$291.5 million in patronage,

Meeting

Wow it's that time again! Graduation is right around the corner and the Project Graduation Committie will have a meeting on Wednesday February 26th at 5:00 p.m. at the Dairy Queen!

Junior and Senior Parents are encouraged to come but anyone is welcome if you would like to help!

Project Graduation is an all night party for Seniors and a guest of their choice! A night of fun, food, fellowship and prizes!

For more information Please call Connie Kirkham 725-6500 , 725-6318 or 325-665-0154, Lurene McNutt 725-6121, or Jean McWilliams 725-6455.

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AUSTIN, Texas—Farm Credit based on 2013 earnings, effectively lowering the cost of borrowing for the agricultural pro-

ducers, agribusinesses and rural property owners they serve. "Farm Credit's cooperative business structure is one of its greatest assets," said FCBT Board Chairman Jimmy Dodson. "The bank provides rural lenders the lowest possible cost of funds so that they can extend the benefit to farmers,

ranchers and rural citizens." Established in 1916, Farm Credit Bank of Texas receives its funding through the sale of highly rated Farm Credit notes and bonds. In 2013 it provided funding and services to 17 rural lending cooperatives in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Texas, and three other financing institutions. Collectively, the bank and its affiliated cooperatives compose the Texas Farm Credit District.

District net income was a record \$419.3 million for the year ended Dec. 31, 2013, compared with \$409.4 million for the previous year. Total assets for the district were \$22.4 billion at Dec. 31, ceptable and special mention, 2013, up 5.9 percent from the previous year's total assets. Combined district loan volume totaled \$17.7 billion at Dec. 31, 2013, up from \$16.9 billion at year-end 2012.

The results discussed herein are preliminary and unaudited. The bank's financial statements and the combined statements of the Texas District for the year ended Dec. 31, 2013, are expected to be available on or about Feb. 28, 2014.

The bank is part of the Farm Credit System, the nation's oldest and largest source of financing for agriculture and rural America. Nationally, the Farm Credit System reported preliminary unaudited combined net income of \$4.64 billion at Dec. 31, 2013, compared with \$4.12 billion a year earlier. The System's financial statements for the year ended Dec. 31, 2013, are expected to be available on or about Feb. 28, 2014.

Political Calendar

The Cross Plains Review is authorized to publish the following political announcements for the office filings in the Republican Primary Election set for Tuesday, March 4,

2014. Callahan For **County District** Clerk

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Railroad Commission of Texas. Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or request for further information concerning any aspect of the application ing any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Sec- to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Rail-tion, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas P.O. road Commission of Texas, P.O. 12967, Austin Texas, 78711 12967, Austin Texas, 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792. (Telephone 512-463-6792.

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LEGALAUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as Natural Resources Code, as amended and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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Weight Warriors

Weight Warriors met Tuesday afternoon for their regular meeting. Our group has increased in numbers each week for the past weveral weeks. We only had a few present last week because of weather and illness. The celebration bracelet was once again passed to one of our current members to wear for the week.

We reviewed the previous weeks topics which included new year resolutions that really don't work and those that focus on more specific details. Each week a new topic is discussed and we always share celebrations and ny upcoming challenges that anyone has. Bravo stickers are passed out to everyone who has any celebrations. These not only involve celebrations at the scale but others as well, such as making good

Weight Warriors meet every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. Everyone who is interested in a local weight loss support group is welcome. The only thing we ask is for a donation we ask of non-perishable food items to our local food pantry. Come and join us as we travel the weight loss journey together.

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING

The Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation will hold a Public Hearing at the City Hall, 201 S. Main, Cross Plains, Texas on the 11th day of March, 2014, at 3:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a proposal from Project Pride.

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Courthouse News

Callahan County Court Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Michael Felder, possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz. Phillip J. Carter, possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Bradley E. Webb, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted for completion of PTD Program.

Valerie K. Wampler, motion to dismiss to sale of alcohol to a minor granted for plea to other

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Marriage Licenses

Michael C. Ivy of Baird and Christy L. Torregrossa of Abilene.

Kurtis L. Parker and Dee Ann Lovelady, both of Clyde.

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

> > Civil Filings

John Michael Aust II and Christian Marie Aust, divorce. Martha Fay Hyepock and Danny Lee Hyepock, divorce.

Civil Minutes

John William Hickson and Debra C. Hickson, divorce granted.

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County raises inmate cost for City of Clyde warrant arrests

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court voted to raise the inmate per day cost for Class C confinements by the City of Clyde during the commissioners' court regular monthly meeting held Monday, February 24th.

Class C confinements are city warrants issued on individuals for traffic fines. The City of Clyde will soon be arresting individuals who have outstanding traffic warrants issued by the Clyde Police Department and Clyde Code Enforcement Office.

On a motion by Commissioner Bryan Farmer and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to raise the inmate per day cost to \$50.00 for Class C confinements by the City of Clyde.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

-The meeting of the commissioners' court was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Judge Roger Corn with Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct #4 Cliff Kirkham, County Treasurer Dianne Gunter and County Clerk Donna Bell

-The commissioners' court meeting minutes were reviewed a motion to adjourn the comand signed.

there were none.

made a motion to reinstate the

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Countywide Burn Ban. Commiswith a 5-0 vote.

Administrator Julie Lemons presented the current Sheriff's report to the commissioners' court. Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve the report and Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion

facilitator of the exercise. Coma 5-0 vote

-Commissioner Windham made a motion to adopt Rule of Procedure, Conduct and Decorum at meetings of the County Commissioners' Court. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks and approved with a 5-0 vote.

-Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0

sioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion passed -Sheriff Terry Joy and Jail

carried with a 5-0 vote.

-Judge Corn made a motion to schedule an Emergency Management Table Top exercise for Callahan County on March 7, 2014. West Central Texas Council of Governments will be the missioner Kirkham seconded the motion. The motion passed with

-Commissioner Hicks made missioners' court meeting at -Under public comments, 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion -Commissioner Windham and the motion passed with an unanimous 5-0 vote.

Burn Ban Reinstated

The Callahan County Commissioners made the decision to reinstate the County Burn ban this morning during Commissioners Court.

Texas Department of State Health Services Immunization Clinic In Clyde Tuesday, March 4th (Please note date change this month)

10-12 & 1:30-3

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homeowners are injured trying to trim trees near overhead electrical wires. Do-it-yourself satisfaction! Successfully tackling a project on your own that may otherwise cost a lot certainly can be gratifying. But do-ityourselfers who attempt to work with trees near overhead electrical wires often underestimate the danger potential. Terrible accidents can happen when a homeowner uses pole-mounted cutting tools and/or metal ladders to trim backyard trees and shrubs. Too often, an energized overhead wire is not noticed and is touched by pruning tools, causing injury or death. Two recent examples include:

· A Florida resident was hospitalized after attempting to cut palm branches while standing on a ladder. One of the branches made contact with a power line and severely shocked the man. The local fire department had responded to four similar incidents during the previous year. A homeowner climbed a lad-

der to trim a tree branch that was dropping leaves into his above-ground swimming pool and causing a nuisance. A branch came in contact with the power line, shocking the man with a jolt of electricity and sending him into cardiac arrest. He fell 20 feet to the ground, but was revived by medics at the

These are not freak accidents, they are preventable. Tree limbs can conduct electricity. When trees grow near overhead electrical wires, they can contact the wires and become energized. Trees and wires are dangerous, full of electrical power that can injure or kill humans. There are several things that can go wrong for do-it-yourselfers trying to trim tree branches. For example, if proper tree cutting techniques are not understood, the cut branch can swing in unpredictable directions as it falls and could easily land on an energized wire. Don't be fooled by the voltage of the lines. You may

or shrubs near your home's sernear the high voltage secondary distribution lines on the pole by the street, but that's simply not

There are three-wire (called

"triplex") lines connecting the power lines on the pole to your house (meter). Service wires leading from the pole to the house can pack a punch. The type of shock you might have received (and survived) when changing a household light switch is not the same type of shock you will receive if you contact a low-voltage utility wire. A common house switch carries 120 volts but the electric flow is usually limited to 10, 15 or 20 amps. A common "house drop" (service wire) contains 240 volts and up to 20 amps or more. Given the right set of circumstances, even the shock a person gets from a common light switch can kill, but at the same time, it is easier to break electrical contact while standing inside a house. If a person is climbing a ladder or is in the tree, it may be more difficult to break contact with the energized wire. over a typical yard could easily kill a person.

trees in wires:

pruning trees and large shrubs. If lines are anywhere near the tree, don't attempt any tree work. Professional tree climbers have and performance standards and the training and equipment who are required to carry liabila needed to perform these tasks

prune it. Even if the wires aren't tree care companies that adhere currently touching the tree, remember that the trees branches and safety; maintain trained) will shift once you begin climbing or removing limbs.

or rubber gloves while tree prun- to the latest and best safety ing will not protect from a fatal

saws or pruners into a tree with- a typical non-member.

It's shocking how many think that working on the trees out checking for power lines Electricity is always trying to go vice line is safer than working somewhere, and it will easily travel through metal, water trees, and/or the ground.

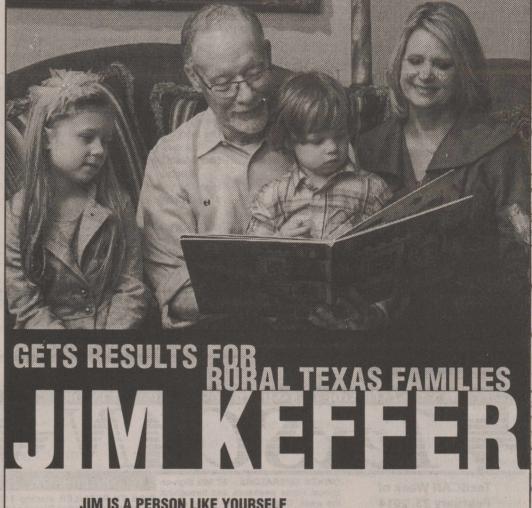
· Don't move ladders or long handled pruning tools around the yard without first looking up. Always read and heed ladder-

use safety labels. More importantly, hire an insured, tree care professional with the experience, expertise and equipment to safely take down or prune trees in wires. Require proof of liability insurance, and check to see if the cost of the work is covered by your insurance company.

Find a professional

Contact the Tree Care Industry Association, a public and profile fessional resource on trees and arboriculture since 1938. An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies" pro-W gram. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 one by doing a ZIP Code search on www.treecaretips.org. TCIA arborists, safety and business professionals are also available as sources for tree related articles This means that the service line and issues: 1-800-733-2622 or tandersen@tcia.org

About the Tree Care Industry Here are a few tips to avoid Association (TCIA): Founded in 1938, TCIA is a public and Look for power lines before professional resource on trees and arboriculture. It has more than 2,100 member companies who recognize stringent safety ity insurance. TCIA also has the nation's only Accreditation pro-• Never climb a tree in order to gram that helps consumers find to industry standards for quality professional staff; and are dedis cated to ethical and professional • Wearing rubber-soled shoes business practices. With access standards and training, the typical TCIA member company has Never extend long-handled 50 percent fewer accidents than



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After School Adventure Program

The After School Adventure Program (ASAP) at the Cross Plains Public Library will be about the Nitty Gritty of Dirt Gardening: The Cross Plains Garden Club will present this popular annual event. This program also coincides with the library's "Experiencing True Grit" for the month of March and two weeks in April in celebration of The Big Read.

Members of the Garden Club will be demonstrating the planting and caring of gladiolas. Each attending child will receive their own plant to take home and car for along with colorful handouts to assist them in their gardening. Join us Wednesday, March 5th,



Early voting ends Friday, Feb. 28th **Republican Primary Election** is Tuesday, March 4th

There are two contested races in this year's Republican Primary Election set for Tuesday, March 4th in Callahan County, including for the office of 42nd District Clerk, between Angela Owens and Amber Tinsley who have both filed for the position, while retired Clyde Police Chief Jerome Chaney and current Callahan County Deputy Sheriff Tom Rumfield are seeking the position of the Clyde Justice of the Peace for Precinct #1.

Owens, 42, resides at 1605 Hunters Glen Lane in Clyde and is currently employed by the Texas Department of Criminal

Owens will be challenged by Amber Tinsley, 30, who resides at 609 Greenbriar Drive in Clyde and is the current Deputy Tax Collector.

For the position of Clyde Justice of the Peace, Precinct #1, Alan Tom Rumfield, 57, who resides at 19260 FM 604 South in Clyde and is currently employed as a County Deputy Sher-

Rumfield is being challenged by retired Clyde Police Chief Jerome Chaney, 64, who resides at 9418 County Road 241 in Clyde and is currently retired. resides at 532 Poplar in Baird

publican Primary Election is underway now at three voting locations in Callahan County, according to Republic Party election officials.

Early voting will take 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 Ofin Cross Plains.

Early voting will conclude on Friday, February 28th. Early voting hours will be from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. each weekday. The Clyde and Cross Plains early voting locations close during the lunch hour, however the Baird early voting location will remain open at lunch.

Others seeking offices and are running unchallenged in Callahan County include:

• Incumbent Callahan County Precinct #4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, 68, who resides at 20235 FM 2707 in Cross Plains and is employed as the Precinct #4 Commissioner.

• Incumbent Callahan County Judge Roger Corn, 73, who

complications, DPS urges

potential applicants to make

sure they have the necessary

documentation before arriving

The EIC receipt an individual

receives will include their photo

and can be used for voting until

the permanent card is

The EIC is free of charge to

qualifying applicants and is

valid for six years. There is no expiration date for an EIC for

citizens 70 years of age or

older. The EIC can only be

used for the purpose of voting

in an election and may not be

used as personal identification.

requirements, exemptions and

process for obtaining an EIC,

please visit: http://

www.txdps.state.tx.us/

DriverLicense/electionID.htm.

For more information on

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Secretary of State's website:

www.votetexas.gov.

For more information on the

at the office.

delivered by mail.

Early voting for the 2014 Re- and is employed as the current County Judge.

· Incumbent Justice of the Peace for Precinct #4 Burlie Taylor, 78, who resides at 16469 FM 880 South in Cross Plains and is employed as the Cross Plains Precinct #4 Justice of the

 Incumbent Justice of the Peace Precinct #3 Steve Odom, 65, who resides at 1309 Sunset Drive in Baird and is employed fice located at 424 South Main as the Baird Precinct #3 Justice of the Peace.

 Incumbent Precinct #2 County Commissioner Bryan Farmer, 57, who resides at 5215 County Road 241, Clyde and is employed as the Precinct #2 Commissioner.

• Jan Windham, 56, is running for the position of County Treasurer. Windham is the wife of Precinct #3 Callahan County Commissioner Fom Windham. She resides at 1871 US Highway 283 North, Baird and is employed as the Assistant County Treasurer for Callahan County.

• Incumbent Donna Bell filed for the position of County Clerk. Bell, 59, who resides on Private Road 2484 in Baird and is employed as the County Clerk.

Chamber of Commerce offering new service.

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce is now offering Notary Services.

the service is free, and for non-chamber members the fee is \$5.00. The Chamber Phone: 254-725-7251 Fax: 254-725-4184 Located: 225 SW 5th Street.



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DPS Reminds Texans: Election Identification Certificates Available at Driver License Offices AUSTIN - The Texas • U.S. passport book or card To avoid delays or

Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding Texans in advance of the upcoming primary election that Election Identification Certificates (EIC) are available at all Texas driver license offices for individuals in need of proper identification required to vote in elections in Texas.

The 2014 primary election in Texas is March 4, with early voting from February 18th -28th. The last day to register to vote in the 2014 primary election is Monday, Feb. 3rd.

Most residents already have an acceptable form of photo identification needed for voting and will not need or qualify for an EIC. If an applicant already has any of the following documents, they are not eligible to receive an EIC:

• Texas driver license unexpired or expired less than 60 days at the time of voting

· Texas personal identification card - unexpired or expired less than 60 days at the time of

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60 days at the time of voting • Texas concealed handgun license - unexpired or expired less than 60 days at the time of

• U.S. Military identification with photo - unexpired or expired less than 60 days at the time of voting

• U.S. Citizenship Certificate or Certificate of Naturalization with photo

To apply for an EiC, applicants must visit a driver license office and complete an **Application for Texas Election** Certificate (DL-14C)

To qualify for an EIC, an applicant must:

· Bring documentation to verify U.S. citizenship and

 Be eligible to vote in Texas (Bring a valid voter registration card or submit a voter registration application through the Texas Department of Public Safety)

• Be a Texas resident • Be 17 years and 10 mon-ths

Celebrate 178 Years of Texas Independence on March 1st-2nd

WASHINGTON, Texas - All and close Saturday's and natural-born Texans and those who got here as soon as they could are invited to a Texassized 178th birthday celebration p.m., Sunday, in the park amon the very spot "where Texas phitheater. became Texas" in 1836 when delegates met to make a formal tory to experience life in Texas declaration of independence in 1836 by visiting with from Mexico.

State Historic Site will host the annual Texas Independence Day Celebration on Saturday, March 1 and Sunday, March 2 on its expansive, 293-acre park grounds located between and period craft demonstrations. Brenham and Navasota. The two-day festival features live music, food, traditional crafts, living history presentations, black powder small arms and artillery firing demonstrations, historical encampments and commemorative programs - all with no park entrance or parking fees. Vendors selling a variety of festival foods will be on Independence Hall at Wash-

ington-on-the-Brazos is the place www.brianburnsmusic.com. where representatives of the people of Texas met to decide their fate and all Texans' future. period clothing, specializes in On March 2, 1836, 59 delegates to the convention listened to George Childress enumerate as the fiddle, pennywhistle, guitheir grievances against the government of Mexico and the tyrannical rule of Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna.

The delegates were embroiled in a revolution and faced an sic that would have been played uncertain future when they met on the Texas frontier and heard to declare Texas a free and independent republic and created a constitution for the fledgling nation. To honor their sacrifice and dedication, a special commemorative ceremony will open

Sunday's festivities. The traditional cutting of the giant birthday cake will take place at 2:30

Guests will step back into hisreenactors and witnessing firing Washington on the Brazos demonstrations in the Texas Army camps, and taking a virtual town site tour. Attendees can walk the same trail as Texas' forefathers and pioneer families and witness cooking, weaving

> Texas singer/songwriter Brian Burns, Celtaire String Band and the Texian String Band will provide musical entertainment at the event. Burns, the 2014 recipient of The Daughters of The American Revolution Texas State Media Award, is regarded as one of Texas' top performing songwriters whose work has been covered by a number of legendary artists. More information on Burns can be found at

> The Celtaire String Band, whose members dress in 1800s playing period Americana music on such acoustic instruments tar, mandolin, vocals, banjo, "bass-box," tambourine, autoharp, spoons, scrub-board and limberjacks. The Texian String Band will be playing muin the small riverside town of Washington around the time of the revolution.

The state historic site features three attractions: Independence Hall, Star of the Republic Mu-

seum, and Barrington Living History Farm) that will feature special activities during the March celebration. The admission fees for the museum and farm will be waived during the celebration weekend. Independence Hall is always open free of charge, however, visitors pay a modest fee for a guided pro-

During the two-day celebration, the Star of the Republic Museum, which is administered by Blinn College, will open its new exhibit "Weather Wisdom: Forecasting in the Texas Republic." The exhibit will include an assortment of 19th century scientific instruments used to measure wind velocity, atmospheric pressure, temperature and humidity. The 19th century is seen as a transitional period from the use of weather lore (e.g. "when a whirlwind spins to the right, it means dry weather") to the systematic collection of weather data. The exhibit will run through February 2015.

This event is made possible by ExxonMobil, Bluebonnet Electric Co-op, and the Arts Council of the Brazos Valley, The City of Brenham, The City of Navasota, Blinn College, KTEX 106 Sounds Like Texas, the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) and the Washington on the Brazos State Park Association.

More detailed information on the festivities planned for March 1 and 2 will be continually updated

www.birthplaceoftexas.com. The public can also call (936) 878-2214 or Scott.Mcmahon@tpwd.texas.gov for more information.



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Cross Plains I.S.D Spring Break Schedule and Early Dismisals

Early out on Friday, March 7, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. prior to Spring Break. Buses will run at 1:10 p.m.

Return to classes on March 17, 2014 at regular time.

Early out on Monday, March 24, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. for UIL meet. Buses will run at 11:10 a.m.

We are hosting the district academic meet. School will begin at regular time on March

Early out on Thursday, April 17, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. for Easter. Buses will run at 1:00 p.m.

School will begin at regular time on April 21, 2014.

Experience The True Grit of Dean Smith

Cross Plains Public Library is excited to announce that Olympic gold-medalist and stuntman for John Wayne and Dale Robertson, Finis Dean Smith, will be featured at a library fundraiser for the entire family during our community's celebration of "Experience True Grit."

This unique experience will

be held on March 23rd at 2:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church.

The Cost is \$8 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Seating is limited; tickets may be purchased at the library. Desserts and drinks will be served.

Be sure to get your tickets



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Save the date and help our Seniors

In this day of government cuts and rising food cost, the group of people that seems to be catching the brunt of this is Senior Citizens. They are on a fixed income but their medical expenses, health insurances and house hold expenses increase each month. Did you know that senior citizens food stamps were cut to as little as \$15.00 a month? The City of Cross Plains and The Cross Plains Senior Center is committed to offering a nutritious meal and a center for people to gather and visit, exercise, quilt, play dominos or whatever may be on the program that day.

As with any program that is partially subsidized by the state and federal goverment, our funds have be reduced and budget is being strained.

Donations and fundraisers are very necessary part of our daily operations. The Barbarian Festival, realizing importance of the Center to the community, is sponsoring a night of music by the class of '57 and hamburgers on March 25, 2014.

Mark your Calendars and plan to support our aging poplution.

FEBRUARY 27

Thalia W. Robertson

Ella Duncan

Shawn Reed

Don Gosnell

Patrick Joseph Conlee

Judy Holcomb Livingston

Joyce Lee

Tom Melton

FEBRUARY 28

Amber Hernandez

Ricky Cavanaugh Shanks

Charlotte Bishop

Bobra Burkett

Curtis Hines

Mary (Koenig) Hutchins

Randy Foster

Keith Watkins

Susan McNeel

Earlene Justice

Rosalea G. McCain

Barbara Stephens

Marilou Sifuentes

Joe Frendle Mullin, Jr.

Constantiono Reyes

Gwendolyn Joann Creech

Victoria Creamer

FEBRUARY 29

(LEAP YEAR)

Emma Bennet

Jordan Hernandez

Debbie Ann Perry

Tanya Reed

Mrs. Dwane Gale

Tiffany Leigh Price

Rowdy Morris

Bill Armstrong

MARCH 1

Skeei Parker

Kelly Michelle Stout

Eddie Strickland

Tom Sibley

Dorothy Aiken

Jay McCunn

Minter B. Sheffey

William Christopher Clark

Gage Connelly

Cross Dlains Remem

"Got Grit?"

Contest

Once again the Cross Plains

Public Library is celebrating The

Big Read/"Experience True Grit"

Writing

Last Chance For Tickets to Sharon Riley Luncheon

Thursday, February 27th is the deadline to purchase tickets for "The Nitty Gritty of Cooking" with Sharon Riley. TICK-ETS CANNOT BE PUR-CHASED AT THE DOOR!

Riley will be the Cross Plains Public Library's guest speaker at a Luncheon featuring her new cookbook "Yum! Yum! An Abilene Tradition." Sharon will be sharing tips from her book and cooking Grilled Corn and Cheddar Quinoa. The en-

tire luncheon menu will have recipes from her book.

There will be door prizes and an optional "Stylish Hat Contest" -popular vote will determine the winner of a copy of Sharon's cookbook.

The cost is \$12 and includes \$5 off the purchase of her book. Seating for this event on March 7th, at 11:30 a.m., at the First United Methodist Church is limited to 60, so call the library at (254)-725-7722.

Sheriff's Department Monthly Report for January 2014

Callahan County Sheriff's Department Monthly Statistics January 2014

Burglary: 15 Animal Calls: 16 Assist Motorist: 6 Accidents: 21 Alarm Calls: 15 Assault: 5 Chase: 0 Civil Matter: 18 Child Abuse: 0 Disturbances: 15 Dog Bite: 5 House Fire: 4 Vehicle Fire: 4 Grass Fire: 24 Harassment: 6 Illegal Dumping: 3 Lift Assist: 6 Medical Calls: 131 Mental Subject: 5

Miscellaneous: 15 Missing Person: 1 Noise Calls: 1 Reckless Driver: 13 Stray Livestock: 12 Suicide Threat: 2 Suicide: 2 Suspicious Activity: 20 Theft: 21 Threats: 6 Traffic Hazard: 7 Trespass: 5 Utility: 4 Stolen Vehicle: 4 Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle: 0 Vandalism: 5 Welfare Checks: 20 Juvenile Calls: 2 911 Calls: 215 Non-Emergency: 407 Total Calls: 622 **Total Arrests: 39**

Governor proclaims March 2nd-8th **Severe Weather Awareness Week**

Office of the Governor

As anyone caught in a Texas downpour or cold front can tell you, the weather in the Lone Star State can change in an instant. These changes can be unpredictable and intense, and severe weather can strike anywhere, at any time and with little ernor of Texas, do hereby proor no warning. Over the years, storms have posed a significant threat to Texans' lives and properties. As a result, we must be ever-vigilant in the face of severe weather.

While dangerous storms can priate recognition whereof. strike at any time of the year, the months of March, April and May bring a greater potential for violent weather events, including damaging thunderstorms, hail storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding. It is vital that all Texans be aware of the dangers they present.

Planning and preparation can greatly reduce loss of life and property when disasters strike. Texans should be familiar with the difference between severe weather watches and warnings, designate a safe place for family members to meet in case of evacuation, develop a plan to communicate with relatives and friends in other areas, and put together a "preparedness kit" of important supplies. Most importantly, Texans should heed warn-

ings, information and instruc-

tions provided by local officials

and emergency management

personnel.

Therefore, I, Rick Perry, Govclaim March 28, 2014, to be

in Texas, and urge the appro-In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this the 19th day of February, 2014 (s) Rick Perry Governor of Texas

Cross Plains Public Library to hold **FREE GED Classes**

If not having your high school diploma is holding you back from promotions or keeping you from the career you always dreamed of, consider getting your GED. Cross Plains public library is offering free GED classes on Monday and Tuesday evening from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. The classes are through Abilene Independent School District. Increase your self-esteem and become a role model for others. Join us for the challenge on Monday evening.

Texans to remain mindful of the dangers presented by severe storms, stay informed of current conditions and take precautions to prevent loss of life and property. Together, we can work toward a brighter future for our great state.

Severe Weather **Awareness Week** with a writing contest for all ages. Compositions must be between 5-7 paragraphs and about people, real or fictitious, that exhibit the characteristic of "true grit." Deadline is Thursday, March 27, and winners will be announced and prizes awarded at the Street Dance Bonanza on April 12th. Stop by the library for an entry form or download from our

facebook page. First prize is a 16GB Kindle Fire HD 7" tablet. Second prize is a \$50 Amazon.com gift certificate, and third prize is a movie pass for two at Premiere Cinema in Abilene.

brary will host an "Experience True Grit" event at the main Street Pool House and Surf Shop on Saturday, April 5th at 7:00p.m. Teens will enjoy "Soul Surfer" the story of teenage surfer Bethany Hamilton, who overcame the

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Welcome Bags for New Community **Members**

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce now has welcome bags for new community members. You can pick up a bag at the Chamber office, 225 SW 5th St., or City Hall 201 SE Main St This bag is for new members of the community to help inform them of business in and around the community. If you would like to have a brochure or business card in the welcome bags please drop them off at the Chamber office. Chamber office phone 254-725-7251.

Teens "Experience the True **Grit of Bethany Hamilton"**

The Cross Plains Public Li- ing to the water after losing her odds and her own fears of return-

left arm in a shark attack. FREE copies of the book are available now at the library. Participants will be eligible for a drawing of free movie passes. Pizza and drinks will be served during the movie, followed by a discussion of the "gritty" aspects of the char-