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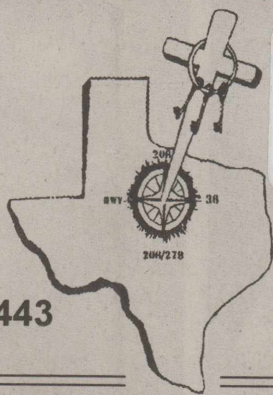
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Area Champs! After a big 45-32 win over Roby, the Cross Plains Buffaloes become the Area Champions and head on to face Eula in the Regional Quarter-Finals. From left to right: Managers Eddie Calvagna and Brian Morales, Joe Crockett, Ethan Jones, Head Coach Dade Cosby, Bryce Petree, Larson Walker, Holden Senclair (with the Area Trophy) Tripp Thomas, Creed Goode, Filmer Aaron Willis, Trent Potter, Asst. Coach Elvan Goode, Jevon Tillery, Caleb Hernandez, and Sterling Switzer. More photos and story inside.

Kiwanis Pancake Fundraiser set for March 2nd

Kiwanis International of Cross Plains will host their pancake fundraiser on Thursday, March 2nd. Mark your calendar for the annual event to be held at the Cross Plains school cafeteria.

Pancakes and sausage will be served from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. Cost for this event is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under the age of 12.

The money raised for this event goes to help various projects for children in our area. We look forward to an enjoyable evening of fellowship in our community.



Macee Steigleder



Katy Jo Morgan



Grace Goode



Shana Yates

Four Lady Buffs Make All-District Basketball Team; Many Make Academic All-District

Lady Buffs Macee Steigleder, Katy Jo Morgan, Grace Goode and Shana Yates were all named to the District 15-A 2017 Girls All District Basketball Team.

Macee Steigleder, Freshman, was named "Newcomer of the Year."

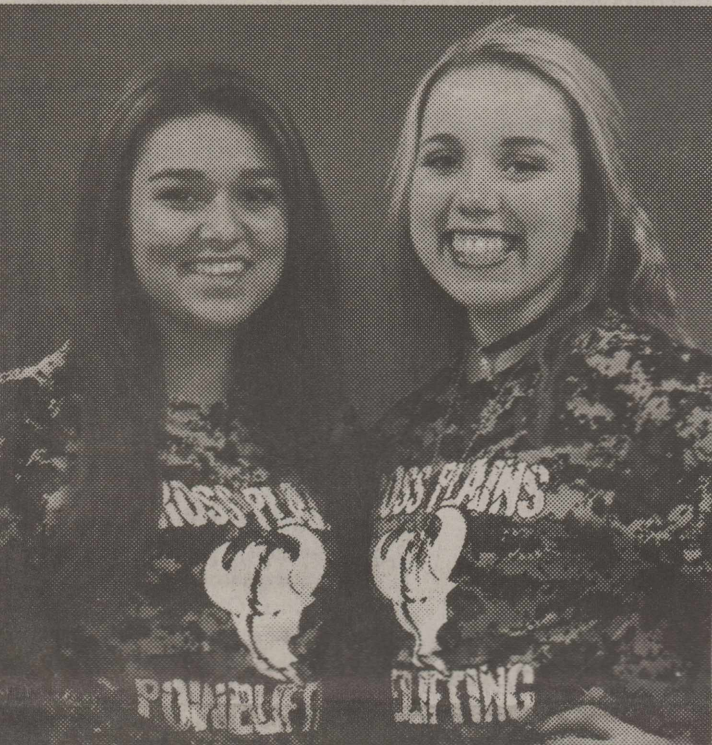
Grace Goode, Senior, and Katy Jo Morgan, Junior, were named to the All-District First Team.

Shana Yates, Junior, was named to the All-District

Second Team.

Sophomores Jacy Bien, Hanna Fortune and Jackilann Shepard all received Honorable Mentions.

Making the Academic All-District: Seniors Hannah Cowan and Grace Goode; Juniors Katy Jo Morgan and Shana Yates; Sophomores Hanna Fortune, Hannah Crockett, Brooke Lynn Bell, Jacy Bien and Jackilann Shepard and Freshman Macee Steigleder.



Competing in Regional Powerlifting Finals This Week - Alexis Mauricio and Hannah Crockett

Alexis Mauricio, Hannah Crockett and Jacob Collier Qualify for Regional

Hannah Crockett and Alexis Mauricio have qualified and will compete in the Girls Regional Powerlifting Meet this week.

Hannah Crockett competes in the 148lb Class. Alexis Mauricio competes in the 114lb Class. Both came in First Place at the Sweetwater Powerlifting Meet on February 16th.

Jacob Collier came in Third Place in the 220lb Class at the Snyder Meet on February 25th.

All three will compete in the Regional Quarterfinals.

Results of the Sweetwater Powerlifting Meet on February 16th:

Alexis Mauricio, 1st Place -114lb Class. Squat-260, Bench-115, Dead Lift-250, Total-625

Hannah Crockett, 1st Place-148lb Class, Squat-300,

Bench-105, Dead Lift-270, Total: 675

Brian Morales, 8th Place -165lb Class, Squat-340, Bench-205, Dead Lift-350, Total:895

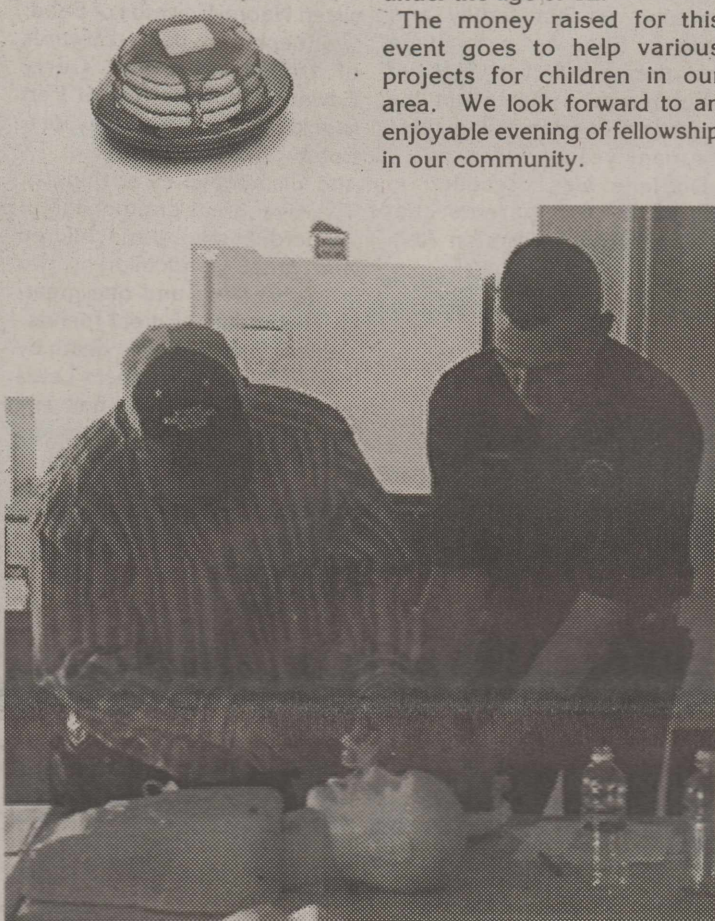
Jacob Collier, 6th Place - 220lb Class, Squat-470, Bench-260, Dead Lift-440, Total: 1180

Sammy Guerrero, 198lb Class, Squat- 370, Bench-205, Dead Lift-375, Total: 920

Results of the Snyder Powerlifting Meet on February 25th:

Jacob Collier 220lb Class 3rd Place, Squat-480, Bench-270, Dead Lift-450, Total: 1200

All of the Powerlifters did a great job. Their totals have consistently gone up.



CPVFD Fire Chief Rickey Carouth and Rural Fire Chief J. D. Huddleston during CPR Training. The AirEvac Life Team 115 from Eastland held CPR and Helicopter Landing Zone training at the Cross Plains Firehouse on Saturday. More photos inside.

City Council Meeting Date Changed to March 7th

Due to a conflict in schedules the regular City Council meeting will be held on March 7, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. instead of the

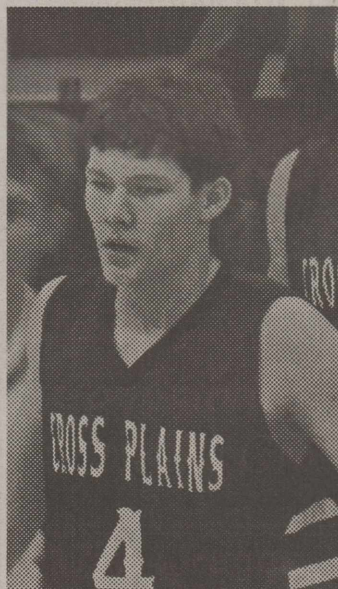
regular meeting date of March 14, 2017. Citizens interested in attending the meeting is encouraged to do so.



Holden Senclair



Creed Goode



Tripp Thomas

Buffaloes Senclair, Goode and Thomas Recognized in Big Country Top Ten

Buffaloes forward Holden Senclair was named Number 5 in the Big Country Top Ten List. Buffaloes Creed Goode and Tripp Thomas received honorable mentions.

Senclair was named for producing "huge numbers in wins over Baird (39-34) and Rising Star (74-18), charting 36 total points, 24 rebounds, six assists, five steals, five blocks

and four pass deflections."

Tripp Thomas, forward, Sophomore, received the mention for a combined 23 points, 21 rebounds, three pass deflections, three steals and nine blocks vs. Baird and Rising Star.

Creed Goode, guard, Junior, had a combined 20 points, 20 rebounds, five assists, three pass deflections, one steal and

one charge taken vs. Baird and Rising Star.

The Buffaloes win over Baird placed them at the Number 3 position in the District. They enter Bi-District play at 16-12 overall.

The Big Country Top Ten recognizes athletes outside Abilene. The list is published each week by the Abilene Reporter-News.

Shop Our "Rich or Poor" Book Sale on Saturday March 4th!

Spend some time browsing through the Cross Plains Public Library Book Sale, Saturday, March 4th, across from Lawrence Farm & Ranch on Highway 36 between 10:00a.m. - 2:00p.m. Our suggested donation is \$1/bag - even a poor man can afford that! And those dollars add up to extra revenue for the library to help with our operating

expenses. Members of Project Pride will be providing the manpower for us, so stop in and say hi! And buy LOTS of books! We have more boxes of romance novels and more audio books on CD. Paperback fiction, mysteries and sci-fi are now in order to make your perusing easier. You'll even find copies of "The Great Gatsby"!



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Cottonwood Fire Dept. to host Annual Fish Fry March 24th

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group will hold their Annual Fish Fry fundraiser at the Cottonwood Community Center in conjunction with the Cottonwood Country Musical on Friday night, March 24, 2017.

Mark your calendars for Friday night, March 24, 2017, and travel to the Cottonwood Community Center, Cottonwood, Texas to enjoy a meal of fish or chicken, beans, coleslaw, fries, hushpuppies, with a dessert and drink. All for \$8.00 adult plate and \$3.50 child plate (children under 10 years of age). The meal will be served from 5 - 7 p.m. Come hungry, eat a fish dinner, enjoy the country music and leave happy.

Historical Commission to dedicate Marker at Caddo Peak

The Callahan County Historical Commission will host the dedication for the County Marker for The Oglesby Cemetery, in the Caddo Peak area, on Saturday, March 11, 2017 at 1:30 PM.

Everyone will gather at the Cottonwood Community Center and then drive to the cemetery, since it is located on private property.

The Caddo Peak area is between Highway 36 and southwest of Cottonwood.

On May 13, 1878 the Caddo Peak Post Office was established with William Crawford as Postmaster. It was closed December 21, 1881 and and reestablished in 1882 with Charles Jasper Oglesby as Postmaster from March 29, 1882 until it closed on March 30, 1907.

In August of 1894 Mr. Oglesby donated 2 acres of land for a school, which was a log cabin. The Caddo Peak School joined the Cross Plains School system in 1937.

In 1890, Mr. Oglesby also, provided 2 acres of land "so long as it was to be used for no other than mill or gin cotton purposes."

Oglesby also owned a store at Caddo Peak, which closed in 1904.

Everyone is invited to attend the dedication.

chicken fried steak, cream potatoes, and super pies. When the boys got out of line, Dorothy knew just the way to put them in good graces again. She loved music, her pets and above all, her family. She loved going places and helping where she could. She will be dearly missed.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Dorothy's memory to the Texas Home Health Hospice at 2904 N. 4th Street, Ste. 102, Longview, TX 75605 or charity of choice.

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New Children's Books

When Butterflies cross the sky by Sharon Katz Cooper
Secrets of the apple tree by Carron Brown
Untamed: the wild life of Jane Goodall by Anita Silvey

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Mon. 1:00pm to 5:00pm
Tues. 11:00am to 7:00pm
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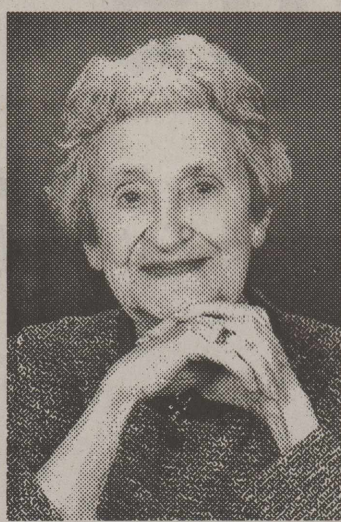
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Doylene Helm

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Doylene Helm, 91, of Cross Plains and a former longtime Acton resident, passed away Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017. Service: 1p.m. Monday at Acton Baptist Church. Interment: Acton Cemetery. Visitation: 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday at Wiley Funeral Home. Memorials: Senior Citizens Center of Cross Plains. Doylene was born Oct. 18, 1925 in Wingate to Joe and Mary Bryant Brannon. She married Fred W. Helm in 1944 in Wingate. She was a current member of First Baptist Church in Cross Plains. Doylene loved music, being with her family, cooking for her family and sewing. She was a longtime member of Acton Baptist Church where she taught the beginners Sunday school class for many years.

Doylene was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 62 years on Aug. 21, 2007; a son, Fred Wayne Helm in 1966; and her brothers and sisters.

Survivors: Daughters, Quada Bien and husband, Sammy of Cross Plains and Mary Ann Dyer of Weatherford; grandchildren, Karri Shepard and husband, Jack of Cross Plains, Jason Bien and wife, Stephanie of Cross Plains, Sean Dyer of Weatherford and Brandon Dyer and wife, Amanda of Weatherford; great grandchildren, Jackilann Shepard, Madilyn Shepard, Abbigale Shepard, Jacy Bien, Sara Bien, McKynlee Moore and Dylann Dyer; sister-in-law, Winnie Hatley of San Angelo; special niece (like a sister), Verla Smith of Blackwell; and many nieces and nephews.



DOROTHY LOUISE (OGLE) SHIRLEY

Dorothy Louise (Ogle) Shirley

Dorothy Louise (Ogle) Shirley, age 87, passed from this life Sunday, February 26, 2017 at the Legend Oaks Care Center in Gladewater, TX, where she had resided the last three years. She was born April 29, 1929 in Eastland County, Texas to Lewis Ogle II and Gracie (Hill) Ogle. She attended schools in the Long Beach Community, Okra and Rising Star, all in Eastland County, Texas.

Those left to cherish her memory include her son: Farrell Glen Sharp and wife Doris of Big Sandy, TX; step-son: J.R. Shirley and wife Dean of Abilene; sister: Naomi Edwards of Baird; two nephews: John Edwards of Hobbs, NM and Garry Edwards and wife Kris of Fort Stockton; two grandchildren: Bobby Sharp of Longview, TX and Glenda Merrell of Hudson, TX; five great-grandchildren; numerous step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren; two great-nephews and one great-niece and lots of great friends.

She was preceded in death by her father and mother: Lewis and Gracie Ogle; her first and late husband: Farrell Sharp and Jewel Shirley; son: Bobby Mack Shirley; two step-sons: Joe and Glen Gaylon Shirley.

Public viewing and Family visitation will take place from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Tuesday,

February 28, 2017 at Parker Funeral Home in Baird, TX. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 pm, March 1, 2017 at Parker Funeral Home Chapel with Brother Charles Ivy officiating. Interment will follow at Ross Cemetery Annex in Baird. Pallbearers will include: Bobby Sharp, Glen Shirley, Joe Shirley, Pierce Shackelford, Joe Yoes, David Yoes and Russell Shirley.

We the family will always remember the great foods, yum, yum, biscuits, gravy, fried chicken, roast beef, beans,

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Upcoming NEA Big Read Events at the Cross Plains Library

In our month-long celebration of the NEA Big Read, the Cross Plains Public Library invites you to these upcoming events: each Thursday, join us at the Senior Center for popcorn and a movie at 1pm featuring films from the 1920's - most notably those of F. Scott Fitzgerald; Project Pride members will be manning our book sale on Saturday, March 4, from 10:00am-2:00pm at the book building located across from Lawrence Farm & Ranch; also at the Senior Center we will have "Trash to Treasure" crafts each Monday from 12:30-1:30pm; and on Tuesdays, visit the library and pick up a new puzzle - completed entries will be entered in a drawing for 2 movie passes.

Every Wednesday the children will be treated to a different book with a rich/poor theme and will design the blocks for this year's traditional quilt. During spring break, bring the kids on March 15, 1:00pm, for a special Book-to-Movie of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" (book) and "Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (movie) at the Senior Center with popcorn, drinks and other "movie theatre snacks." Children may pick up a FREE copy of the book, courtesy of a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. One lucky child will draw the "Golden Ticket" and win a prize package valued at over \$100!

All month long you can see

our "Gatsby Display" of the works of F. Scott Fitzgerald in books and film - all available for check-out. Also, visit local artist Steve Knotts' "Buildings of the 1920's Art Exhibit" where you can purchase your own original oil painting of historic buildings in Cross Plains and other locations in Texas.

On Thursday, March 16, join us at the library for our first Book-to-Movie event at 5:30pm - a viewing of the 1974 version of "The Great Gatsby," followed by a Dutch-treat dinner at Jean's Feed Barn for a group discussion, sponsored by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

But that's not all! This year's brunch is bigger and better than ever! Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 18, at 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church. (Note: the date for this was originally March 11, but has been pushed back a week.) We will have a cooking demonstration featuring Nicole Sparks of The Crookin' Girls, loads of door prizes, and our menu will feature foods popular in the 1920's. Wear your riches (we will help with headbands, pearls and boas - popular vote will declare the best-dressed). Cost is \$15 per person or \$75 for a table of six, so get your friends together for a fun time. Tickets are on sale at the library through March 14th - but hurry, as seating is limited!

Phone Scam Targeting Taxpayers

We recently became aware of a scam involving an individual falsely claiming to represent the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, or in some cases the Texas Department of Transportation. The caller claims the taxpayer has a tax liability or other issue and requests credit card

information.

The Comptroller's office does not request payment details, such as credit card numbers or electronic check information, over the telephone.

If you receive one of these calls, please do not provide your personal confidential credit card or bank information.



Massachusetts family visits Museum

The Bucher family from MA closed out a busy month at the REH Museum. Eric, Elaine, Rachael and Tina were in Texas looking at potential colleges for Rachael to attend in a couple of years. Planning to major in psychology, she had visited UT and Waco thus far.

Eric is a family physician and wife Elaine teaches English at a Vo-Tech school while Tina is a sophomore in high school.

He is the Howard fan of the group and was delighted to be able to visit Howard's home and to see where all

the creative juices were put to use in the development of so many different characters and genres. Already owning a lot of the books available in the shop, he was able to pick up a poetry book that he had not seen as well as a booklet about Cross Plains as Howard knew it. He found it very interesting that the same buildings in the downtown district are still intact and occupied.

The family planned to grab a bit to eat before heading back to the real winter weather in their home state.

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Ash Wednesday Service at Methodist Church

The United Methodist Church will be holding an Ash Wednesday Service on Wednesday, March 1st at 6:00 p.m. The public is warmly invited to share in this service where we recognize our mortality, repent of our sins before our loving God. We recognize life as a precious gift from God and re-turn our lives towards Jesus Christ. We may make resolutions and commit to change our lives over the next forty days so that we might be more like Christ. In an Ash Wednesday service, usually the minister will make the sign of the cross on a person's forehead with ashes. The sign of the cross reminds us of the resurrection of Christ.

In Western Christianity, Ash Wednesday marks the first day, or the start of the season of Lent. Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on

Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent excludes Sundays because every Sunday is like a little Easter. The season is a preparation for celebrating Easter. Historically, Lent began as a period of fasting and preparation for baptism by converts and then became a time for penance by all Christians.

Also, at 12:00 on Ash Wednesday, the church will be having a short service of the Burning of the Palms in the prayer garden, if weather permits. Otherwise the service will be held in the Sanctuary. The dried palms to be burned were used on Palm Sunday last year which celebrated the glorious entry of Jesus into Jerusalem prior to his crucifixion. The ashes from this meaningful service will be used for making the cross on the foreheads during the evening service.

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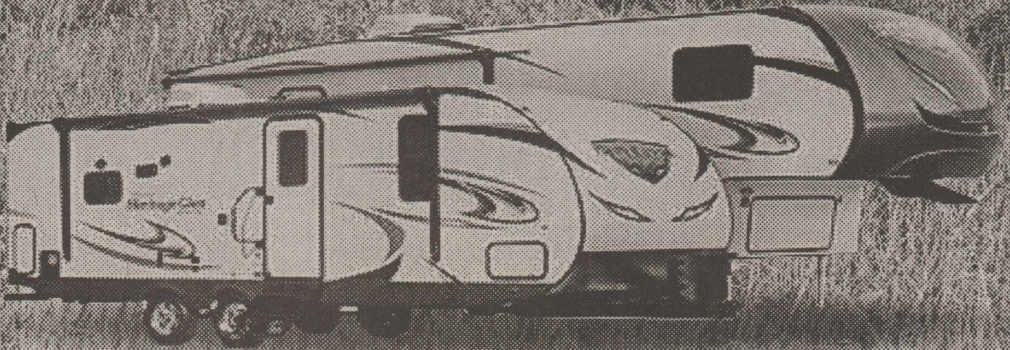
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Garden Club Making Terrariums at ASAP Program, Wednesday, March 1st

Please join the Cross Plains Public Library for their next After School Adventure Program (ASAP) next Wednesday, March 1st at 4:00 p.m. The program will be given by the Cross Plains Garden Club and the project will be making soda bottle terrariums. The Garden Club presentations have always been one of our most popular programs, so don't miss it!

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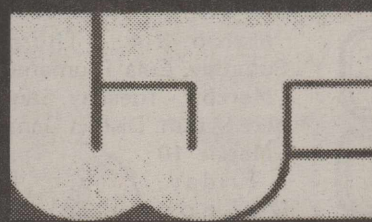
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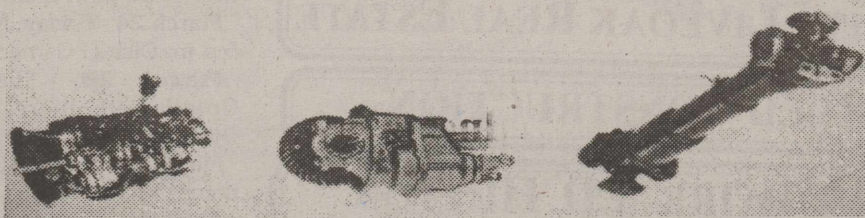
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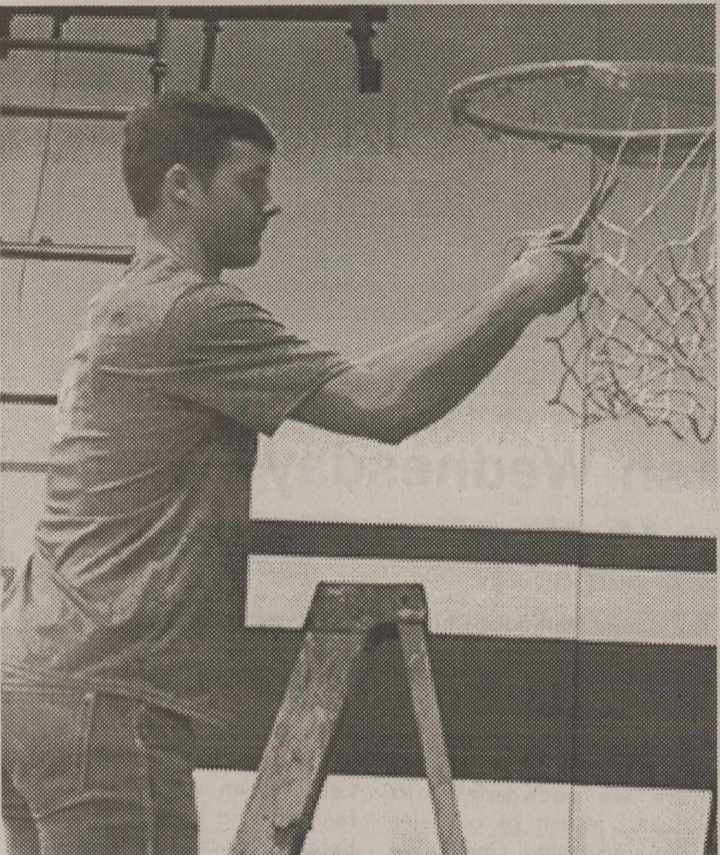
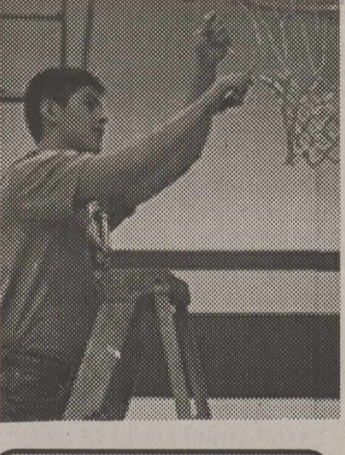
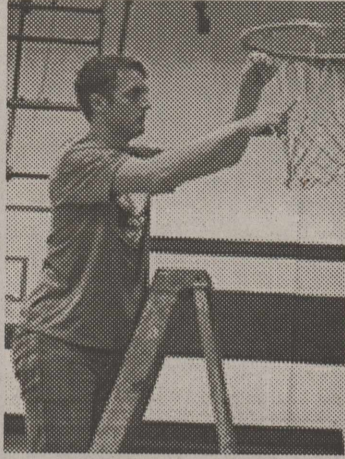
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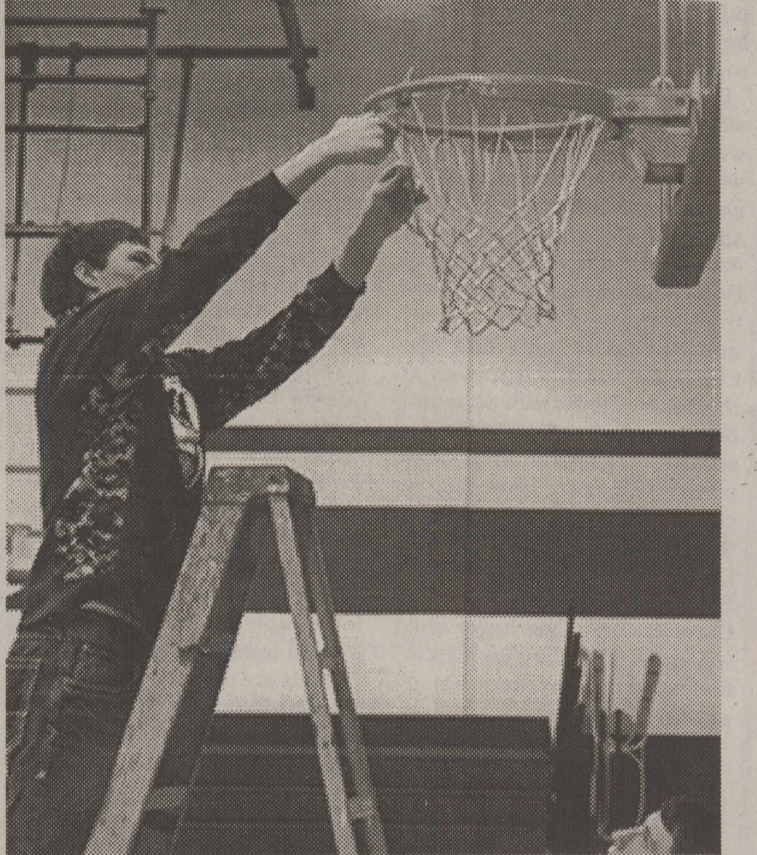
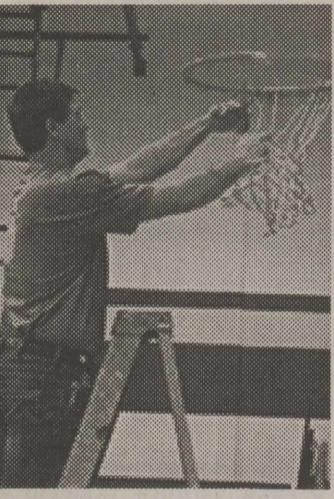
Head Coach Dade Cosby Cutting the Net



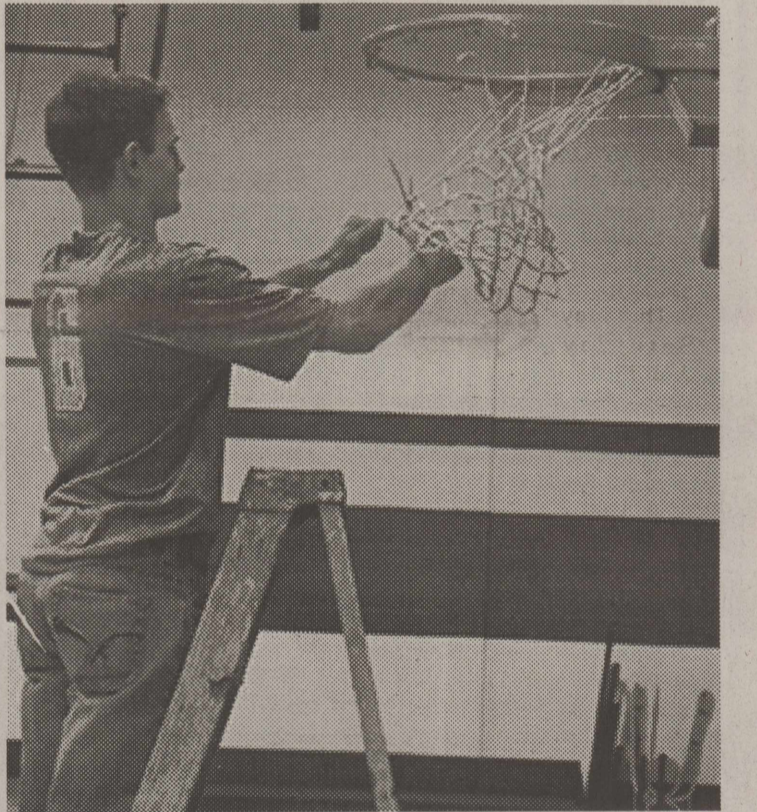
Senior Holden Senclair Cutting the Net



Junior Larson Walker Cutting the Net



Junior Tripp Thomas Cutting the Net



Junior Creed Goode Cutting the Net

Cross Plains Track Meet This Thursday and Friday, March 2nd and 3rd

Hurdlers, Runners and Long Jumpers will descend on the Cross Plains ISD football field and track this Thursday and Friday for the Cross Plains Track Meet.

High School track events are on Thursday, with the Junior High competing on Friday.

Good luck to the Buffaloes and Lady Buffs track teams.

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Commissioners' Court meeting minutes from February 27th

The meeting of the Commissioners' Court was held at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse on February 27, 2017 A.D. @ 9:30 A.M., with the following officers present to wit: Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 Judge Pro-Tem; Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; Jan Windham, County Treasurer; and Donna Bell, County Clerk and ex-Officio member of Commissioners' Court. Also attending: Sam Goldsmith, Goldsmith Solutions; Rick Jowers, Sheriff's Department; Julie Lemon, Sheriff's Department; Jim Goldston, First Financial Bank; Tammy Walker, Tax Assessor/Collector; and Scott Kniffen.

Ken Hawkins, KBL Restoration Inc. reported to the Court that the window shades are 85% complete at this time. He also reported that the patchwork and stucco work is complete and that the hardware on the windows is almost done. Commissioner Hicks moved to accept the Courthouse Restoration & Progress Report. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to table any action on the roof repair until further study of the matter is made. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to sign the Department of State Health Services Amendment No. 01 to the Remote Birth Certificate Contract. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion and the

motion passed 4-0. —County Treasurer Jan Windham read the bids for the bank depository. Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to use First Bank Texas as the County's bank depository for the next two year. Also to have a sub depository agreement with Texas Heritage Bank in Cross Plains and First Financial Bank in Clyde, Texas. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to allow the Baird 4th and 5th grade students to hold a bake sale during the lighting ceremony of the courthouse on March 2nd. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve the electrical change orders for the Courthouse Repairs. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion, which then carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

Lady Buffs Softball Schedule

March 2-4 - Thursday-Saturday, Eula Tournament
March 7 - Tuesday, San Saba here, 4 p.m. District Game.

March 10 - Friday, DeLeon there, 4 p.m. District Game.

March 14 - Tuesday, Gorman there, 5 p.m. District Game.

March 17 - Friday, Santa Anna there, 5 p.m. District Game.

March 20 - Monday, Eula here, 4:30 p.m. District Game.

March 24 - Friday, May here, 5 p.m. District Game.

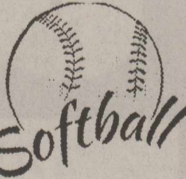
March 28 - Tuesday, Goldthwaite there, 5 p.m. District Game.

March 31 - Friday, San Saba there, 5 p.m. District Game.

April 4 - Tuesday, DeLeon here, 5 p.m. District Game.

April 8 - Saturday, Gorman here, 5 p.m. District Game.

April 11 - Tuesday, Santa Anna here, 5 p.m. District Game.



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Buffaloes are the Area Champs - Advance to Regional Quarter Finals

Bill Clinton was in the White House, Forrest Gump was in the theaters and NYPD Blue was on the television the last time the Cross Plains Buffaloes Basketball Team advanced to the Regional Quarter Finals.

That year was 1994. The team lost in the first round of the Regional Quarter Finals. Eight years before, in 1986, the Buffaloes again made it to the quarter finals.

For the third time in Buffalo Basketball History, our boys are in the Regional Quarter Finals!

They won Tuesday night's game in Winters over Menard, 40-32 to win the Bi-District Title, and then won Friday night's game in Merkel over Roby, 45-32, to take the Area Champions Title.

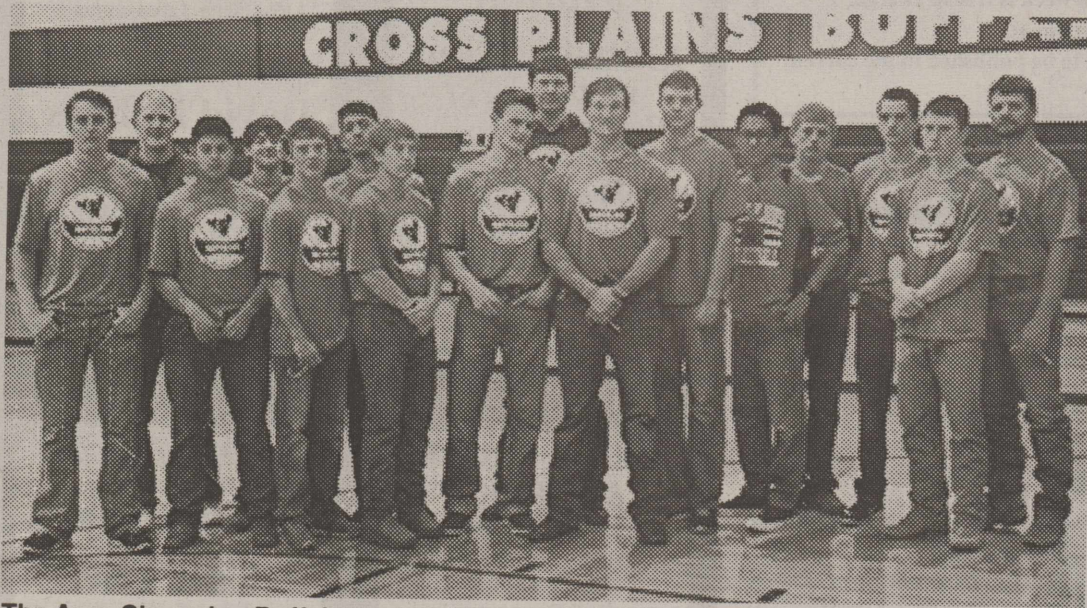
The Buffaloes (18-12) take on the Eula Pirates (24-7) on Tuesday night, February 28th, at Kimbrell Arena at McMurry University.

On the History-Making Buffaloes Team: Senior Holden Senclair #23; Juniors Joe Crockett #10, Larson Walker #33, Creed Goode #34.

Sophomores: Jevon Tillery #1, Tripp Thomas #4, Bryce Petree #5, Ethan Jones #11, Sterling Switzer #12, Trent Potter #10; Freshmen Caleb Hernandez #13.

The Buffaloes have been lead to victory by Head Coach Dade Cosby and Assistant Coach Elvan Goode. Mykia Anderson handles the books. Athletic Director is Daniel Purvis.

Managers for the team are Eddie Calvagna and Brian Morales; filmer, Aaron Willis.



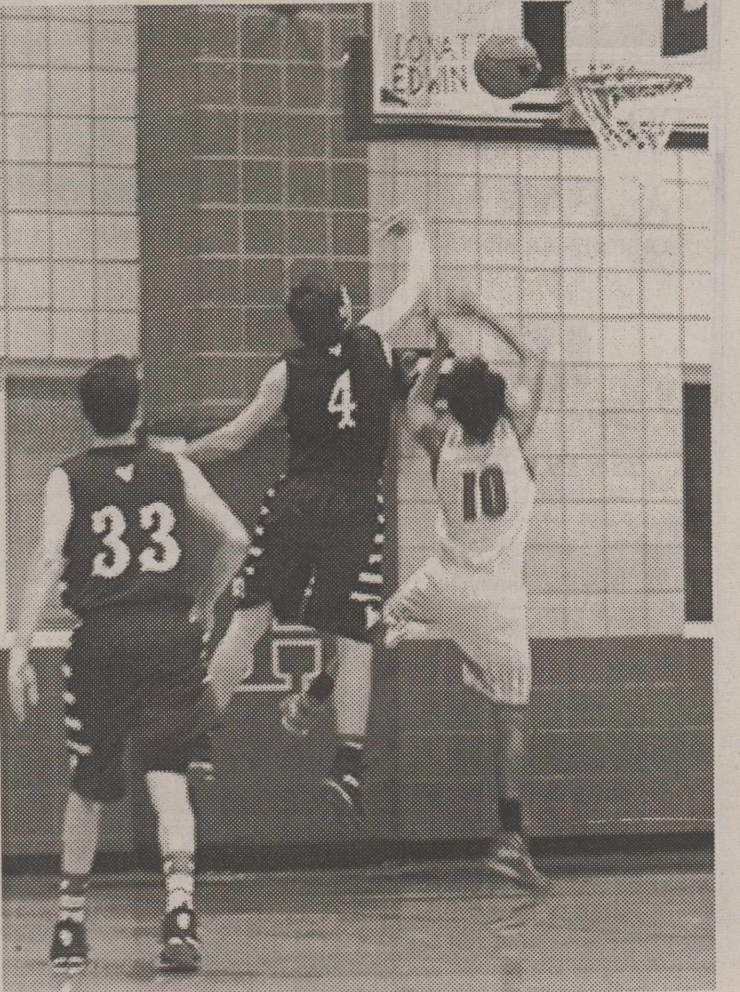
The Area Champion Buffaloes at the Net-Cutting Ceremony Monday Morning



Buffaloes and Lions pray before the Area Championship Game



Holden Senclair Goes for the Basket in the Area Game Against Roby; Joe Crockett and Creed Goode.



Larson Walker and Tripp Thomas



Head Coach Dade Cosby with the Area Trophy.

Buffaloes Baseball Schedule

March 2-4 - Thursday-Saturday, Gorman Tournament

March 7 - Tuesday, Varsity and JV, Santo there, 5:00 p.m.

March 9-11 - Thursday-Saturday, Varsity, Grafard Tournament, Varsity.

March 9-11 - Thursday-Saturday, Junior Varsity, San Saba Tournament, Varsity.

March 14 - Tuesday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, DeLeon there, 4:30 p.m. District Game.

March 17 - Friday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, May there, 4:30 p.m. District Game.

March 21 - Tuesday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, Goldthwaite there, 4:00 p.m. District Game.

March 24 - Friday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, Winters here, 4:30 p.m. District Game.

March 27 - Monday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, Gorman

there, 4:30 p.m. District Game.

March 31 - Friday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, San Saba here, 4:30 p.m. District Game.

April 3 - Monday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, at Miles, 4:30 p.m. District Game.

April 8 - Saturday, Varsity, DeLeon, here, 5:00 p.m. District Game.

April 11 - Monday, Varsity and JV, May here, 4:30 p.m. District Game.

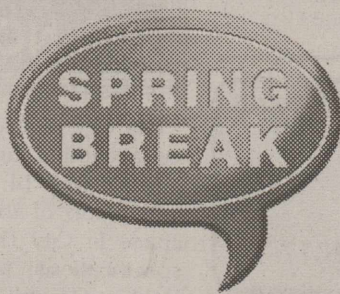
April 14 - Friday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, Goldthwaite here, 12:00 p.m. District Game.

April 18 - Tuesday, Varsity and JV, Winters there, 4:30 p.m. District Game.

April 22 - Saturday, Varsity, San Saba there, 4:00 p.m. District Game.

April 25 - Tuesday, Varsity and JV, San Saba there, 4:00 p.m. District Game.

April 28 - Friday, Varsity, Miles here, 5:00 p.m. District Game.



EARLY OUT AT 1:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2017. BUSES WILL RUN AT 1:10 P.M.

SPRING BREAK WILL BE MARCH 13-17.

RETURN TO CLASSES ON MARCH 20, 2017 AT REGULAR TIME.

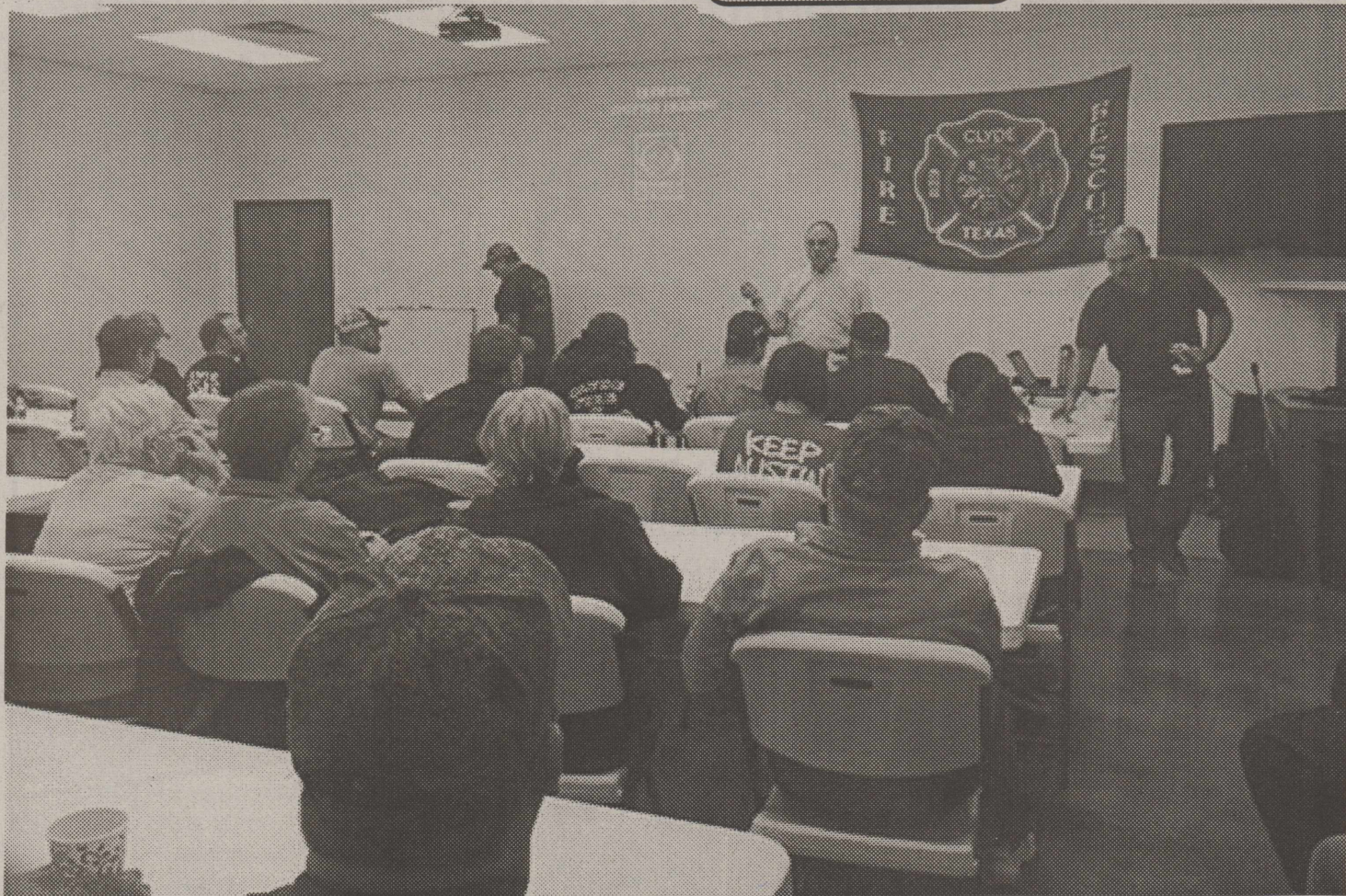
THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL ON TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2017.

WE ARE HOSTING THE DISTRICT ACADEMIC MEET.

SCHOOL WILL BEGIN AT REGULAR TIME ON MARCH 22.

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TRAINING SKYWARN SEVERE WEATHER SPOTTERS--KTAB television Chief Meteorologist Sam Nichols, pictured standing in the center, and Hector Gurrero, at right, Meteorologist for the National Weather Service office in San Angelo, performed a Skywarn training class in front of a large crowd on Tuesday, February 21st at the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department fire station. The effects of severe weather are felt every year by many Americans. To obtain critical weather information, NOAA's National Weather Service (NWS), part of the U.S. Department of Commerce, established SKYWARN® with partner organizations. SKYWARN® is a volunteer program with between 350,000 and 400,000 trained severe weather spotters. These volunteers help keep their local communities safe by providing timely and accurate reports of severe weather to the National Weather Service. Although SKYWARN® spotters provide essential information for all types of weather hazards, the main responsibility of a SKYWARN® spotter is to identify and describe severe local storms. In the average year, 10,000 severe thunderstorms, 5,000 floods and more than 1,000 tornadoes occur across the United States. These events threatened lives and property. Since the program started in the 1970s, the information provided by SKYWARN® spotters, coupled with Doppler radar technology, improved satellite and other data, has enabled NWS to issue more timely and accurate warnings for tornadoes, severe thunderstorms and flash floods. SKYWARN® storm spotters are part of the ranks of citizens who form the Nation's first line of defense against severe weather. There can be no finer reward than to know that their efforts have given communities the precious gift of time--seconds and minutes that can help save lives.

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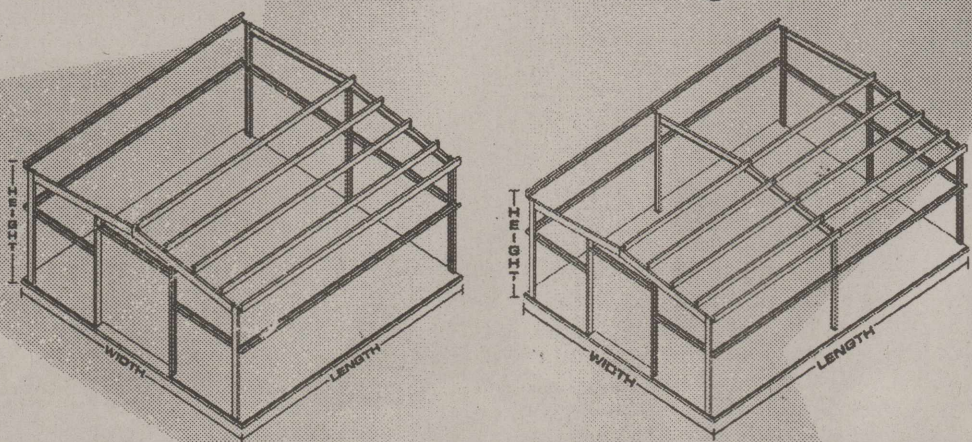
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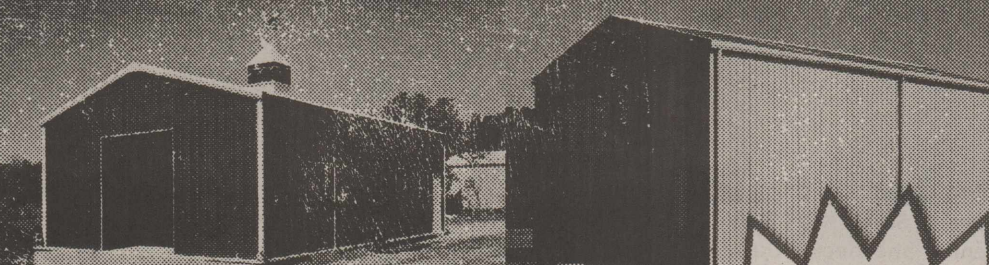
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CROSS PLAINS I.S.D. WEEKLY MENU

March 6-10, 2017

	MONDAY 6	TUESDAY 7	WEDNESDAY 8	THURSDAY 9	FRIDAY 10
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LUNCH	French Bread Pizza Garden salad California Blend Vegetables Sliced peaches Pudding Milk variety	Steak fingers w/gravy Roll Mashed potatoes Carrot coins Cinnamon applesauce Milk variety	Chicken Quesadilla Black Beans Salsa Garden salad Strawberries & bananas Milk variety	Frito Pie Garden Salad Charro Beans Orange smiles Milk variety	Turkey Sandwich Baked Chips Baby Carrots Seasoned Corn Mixed Fruit Milk variety

The Texas History Minute

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The life of famed Dallas Cowboy Don Meredith

He was called "Dandy Don" by millions of sports fans across the country. Aside from a brilliant career in football, Don Meredith was known for his easy humor and love of life and easily one of the most colorful NFL players and broadcasters in memory.

Joseph Donald Meredith was born in Mount Vernon in 1938. He was a successful athlete in high school and heavily sought by college recruiters before becoming quarterback for Southern Methodist University. He was named All-American by sports writers in 1958 and 1959.

His success at SMU caught the attention of NFL teams across the country. The Chicago Bears tried to acquire him in a draft, but he ended up with Texas's first NFL team. He recalled in an interview years later that in 1959, before the Cowboys even had a name or stadium or a team, he was approached by team owners and signed to a contract. In some ways, Don Meredith was the original Dallas Cowboy.

After Meredith became starting quarterback in 1963, the Cowboys matured and soon reached the playoffs for the first time. In 1966, he was named Most Valuable Player by the NFL. He was selected to the Pro Bowl three times. Meredith, however, was frustrated by the many clashes with Landry and eventually decided to leave professional football. By the time he retired from playing in 1969, he had thrown for more than 17,000 yards and thrown 135 touchdown passes over nine seasons.

In 1970, he became part of the original broadcast team on ABC's Monday Night Football with Keith Jackson calling the play-by-play reports and with Meredith offering commentary with Howard Cosell. Viewers came to love the constant back-and-forth between Meredith and the controversial and outspoken Cosell, which the two had carefully planned. He joked in an interview years later, "I'd just wait for Howard to make a mistake. Didn't usually take too long."

Meredith became known for his wisecracks during the broadcasts, often making off-color

jokes that prompted angry phone calls to the network from sensitive viewers. At the end of many games, he often belted out the line from the Willie Nelson song, "Turn out the lights, the party's over!" It became so famous that decades later, Hank Williams, Jr., recorded a version of the song as the closing theme to Monday Night Football. Meredith left the program in 1973 to pursue a few acting roles and a broadcasting contract with rival NBC. He would return to the program in 1977 before leaving for good in 1984. His last football broadcast was for Super Bowl XIX in 1985.

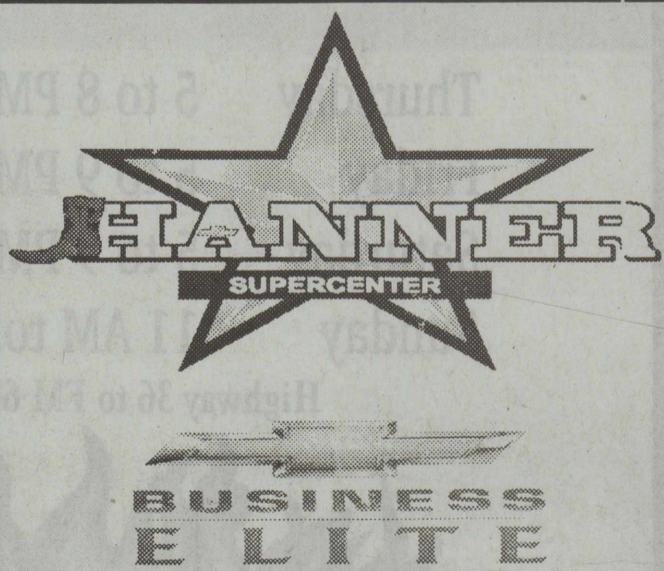
He appeared in a several television shows and made-for-TV movies in the 1970s and 1980s. Most of his roles were limited to police dramas, such as his appearances in Police Story between 1973 and 1976 and the 1980 movie The Night the City Screamed. He also played the real-life undercover

FBI informant Gary Thomas Rowe, Jr., in the 1979 movie My Undercover Years with the KKK. His most famous appearances otherwise were for commercials as a spokesman for Lipton Tea in the 1980s. Meredith's last film appearance was in the 2002 film Three Days of Rain, a film written and directed by his son, Michael.

He and his third wife settled into a quiet retirement in New Mexico. Meredith was inducted into the Dallas Cowboys Ring of Honor in 1976 and was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1982. He was honored by the NFL for his Monday Night Football telecasts in 2007. He died suddenly in 2010 of a brain hemorrhage at the age of 72, mourned by fans across the nation.

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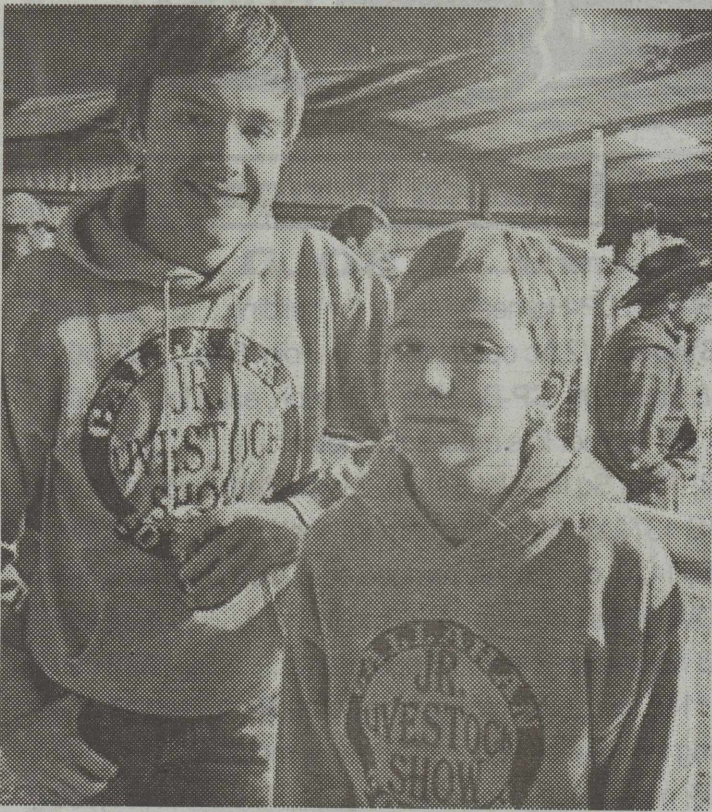
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Callahan/Shackelford Farm Bureau shows appreciation to its members



RYLAN ROGERS, LEFT, AND HUNTER ROGERS, RIGHT

Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau wanted to give thanks to their Farm Bureau member exhibitors for their time and effort that each gave to their animal project for the Callahan County Jr. Livestock show.

The Board of Directors recognize the hard work that exhibitors put into the caring of their project. This year the County wanted to do something special for their Farm Bureau member's families that participated in the local County stock show, so they gave each exhibitor, which is a member of Callahan-Shackelford Co. FB, a hoodie.

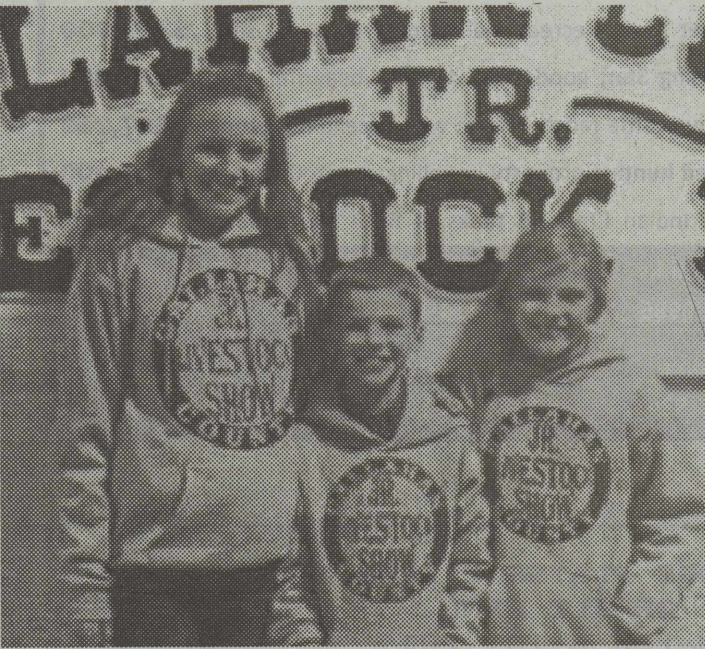
Callahan-Shackelford Co. FB appreciates the interest that these exhibitors have in agriculture and values their membership.

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FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: LACEY ISENHOWER, WESTEN ISENHOWER, JASPER RHODES, AND CHASE RHODES



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: KAILEY, WESTEN & LACEY ISENHOWER



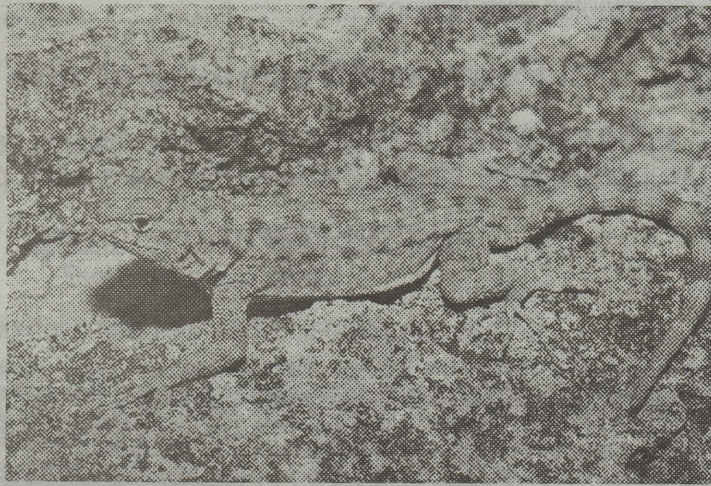
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Big Bend Canyon Lizard

As a naturalist, I can cite many examples of where the common names of animals can be almost too simplistic and downright amusing, particularly in reptiles. A few examples would be: the Groundsnake, the Nightsnake, the Texas Brownsnake, the Ornate Tree Lizard (who rarely utilizes trees!), the Little Brown Skink, etc. However, there are times where the common name aptly describes either the appearance of the animal or properly depicts the habitat that the animal resides in, and one species of lizard has a common name that accurately describes its preferred place to live, and that species is the Big Bend Canyon Lizard.



Big Bend Canyon Lizard
(*Sceloporus merriami annulatus*)

The Big Bend Canyon Lizard (*Sceloporus merriami annulatus*) is one of 3 varieties of Canyon Lizard that inhabits this state, and as the common name implies, it dwells within the confines of the mountains of the Big Bend region, primarily the Chisos, Christmas, and Del Norte Mountains. Also implicated in the common name is the preferred habitat in said mountain ranges: chiefly the steep, open canyon walls (either natural or man-made) that allow them to bask for short periods of time. Typically, the more vegetated portions of the rock faces will be utilized to provide shelter from the heat and/or predators. Outside of Texas, this sub-species species may also be found in Chihuahua, Mexico while other subspecies may be observed in other areas of the Trans-Pecos and in the Mexican states of Coahuila and Nuevo Leon.

This particular species of spiny lizard (a genus that consists of 10 species in Texas) is one of the smallest of the genus. Adult males only attain a total length of just over 6 inches, of which about 4 inches is tail. Females are generally only slightly smaller. The background coloration predictably matches the rocky walls that it inhabits with most individuals having a dark tan to almost maroon coloration. The back is adorned with a pair of spots that run lengthwise down the spine as well as smaller,

multiple random light and dark dots. The pattern on females is generally more noticeable than in males. Males have two large black-bordered patches on the belly, as well as distinctive blue bars on the throat. Females, particularly breeding females, will have orange-pink patches on the belly and throat. The tail is usually faintly banded, and some males will have a blue underlying tinge on the sides of the tail. Unlike other members of this genus, this species has only slightly keeled, almost smooth scales, save for a couple of rows of scales that run lengthwise down the spine.

Whereas this species may be very specific when it comes to habitat selection, it tends to not be as specialized when it comes to dietary requirements. Almost any small invertebrate that will fit in its mouth is considered prey, including small spiders and other arachnids, flies, moths, crickets, grasshoppers, and beetles. Living among the vertical surfaces, this species has developed a sit and wait ambush hunting style. Once an appropriately sized food item is detected, it will make short, sudden bursts of movement until the prey item is secured. Like all other spiny lizards, this particular species is strictly diurnal in its movements.

Normally this species is surface-active from late February to early November, although on warm winter days several individuals may be observed basking in

the sun's warming rays. Like other reptiles from temperate climates, the Big Bend Canyon Lizard does not hibernate in the true sense of the word. Rather, it enters into a period of inactivity that is known as brumation. Mating season usually begins in late April and can extend into early August. Males will utilize a display of "push-ups" to court a female, and once mating has occurred, the female will gestate a small clutch of eggs for about one month. After these eggs have been laid in a site determined by the female to be able to hold enough moisture to prevent the eggs from desiccating, they will incubate for approximately 45 days. The neonates, who look very similar to the adults upon hatching, are quite diminutive at a mere 2 inches in total length. However, even at this size they are fully capable of fending for themselves.

Despite having such a limited range in Texas, the population densities of the Big Bend Canyon Lizard show that this variety is quite common. It can be observed readily along roadside cuts - the areas where mountains have been blasted through for road construction. Although wary, most individuals will allow a person to approach within a reasonable distance to at least take a decent photograph or two.

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Editor's Note: Michael Price would love to hear from folks! He can be reached by email at www.fullprice71@gmail.com.

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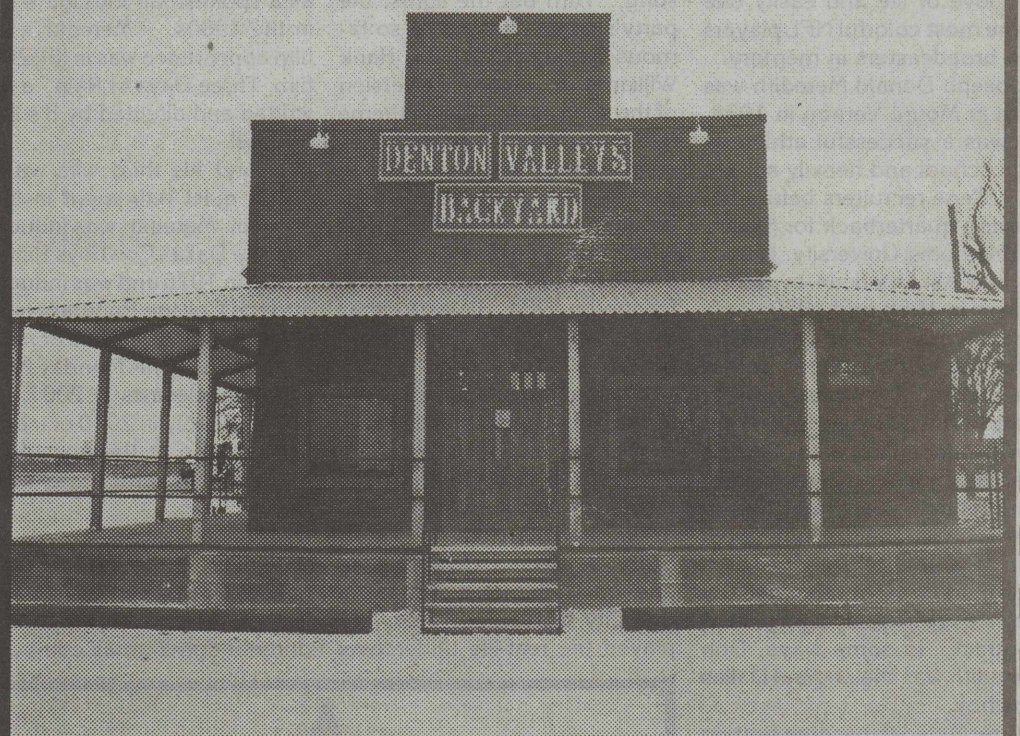


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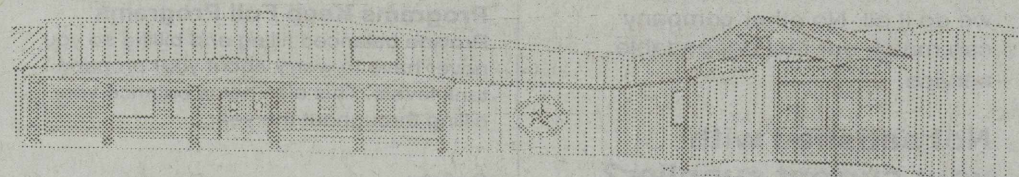


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Callahan County Library news

Some more paperbacks available at the library are: Leven Thumps & the Wrath of Ezra and Leven Thumps & the Ruins of Alder by Obert Skye, Catching Fire by Suzanne Collins and Confessions of a Shopaholic by Sophie Kinsella.

From the Past

Callahan County Clarendon Saturday July 29, 1882 Vol. 3, No. 17

Perry Langford, of Coryell county, but formerly, as will be remembered by our old citizens, was living on a ranch on Rough creek, a branch of Pecan bayou in Callahan county, and who figured extensively in our district courts for a number of terms and barely escaped conviction for branding a yearling which did not belong to him but was the property of Mr. John Skinner and was in charge of Mr. J. B. Cutbirth, has now been convicted in Coryell county of the murder of Mr. Jones, and sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

Big Sale of Sheep Bred in Callahan County
M. McIlhany, of this place, last week sold and delivered

to W. R. Kimmins, of Fannin county, a lot of full blood non-registered ewe lambs dropped the latter part of April; also a lot of registered ewe lambs dropped in March, the former at \$15 per head, the latter at \$25 per head. He also sold the same gentleman a lot of two-year-old bucks. Mr. Kimmins, though for several years a citizen of Texas, was originally from Pennsylvania and an experienced breeder of fine sheep. He went to McIlhany's ranch to buy aged bucks, and after purchasing the number needed, examined the ewe and lamb flock and was so much pleased with the latter that he made the investment above mentioned. Mr. McIlhany says his lambs bred here are better developed and in all respects finer animals than those bred in the north from the same family of ewes and bucks. This speaks well for the future of the American Merinos in Callahan. Mr. McIlhany will add to his stand of flock this fall some of the largest bodied and heaviest shearing bucks that can be procured from the best flocks at the north.

Personal
Mr. Ike Shaw is spending a week in town.

Mr. C. W. Merchant was in town yesterday.

Dr. Townsley, the dentist from Albany is in town.

J. L. Martin, formerly night operator, and wife left during the week. Mr. E. Proctor takes his place.

A brother, brother-in-law and nephew of depot agent Hathaway arrived in town this morning. They are from New York.

Judge B. R. Webb returned from his trip to the Convention at Galveston last Thursday. While at Minneola he received word that his baby was dangerously ill; but he has since recovered.

Mrs. W. H. Parvin and two children left last Monday evening on the east bound train for Fort Worth, where she goes to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. P. Alexander. They will remain two or three weeks. We trust their visit will be a happy one.

Judge McIlhany and wife went to Abilene last Tuesday and returned again in the evening. The Judge brought with him two fine California bucks. They are the celebrated French Merinos. They will weigh from 225 to 550 pounds each and will shear, it is claimed, 35 pounds.

Beverly Ross Honored by Cross Plains Public Library

After 29 years of volunteer service as a director of LAP (Learn About... Program) Beverly Ross resigned this year and moved to New Mexico to be near her family - most notably that new grandbaby! The Cross Plains Public Library wanted to honor her for giving of her time, money, and talent all those years. The board of directors decided to have The Pilcrow Foundation's CHILDREN'S BOOK PROJECT books awarded in her honor. Each of the 81 books received have a bookplate from the Foundation which states: "This book is donated by the Cross Plains Public Library in honor of Beverly Ross."

In addition, the Library has purchased a set of books for Beverly and husband Charlie to enjoy: Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta, Oblique Views: Aerial Photography and Southwest Archaeology, New Mexico Kicks on Route 66, New Mexico Off the Beaten Path: A Guide to Unique Places, Scenic Driving New Mexico, and E is for Enchantment: A New Mexico Alphabet (to read to the grandbaby).

We will truly miss Beverly and her dedication to our children, but we wish her the best and know that our loss is New Mexico's gain!

Barbarian Festival to be Held on Saturday, June 10th

June will be here soon. Plans are being made now for the 19th Annual Barbarian Festival to be held at Treadway Park on Saturday, June 10th.

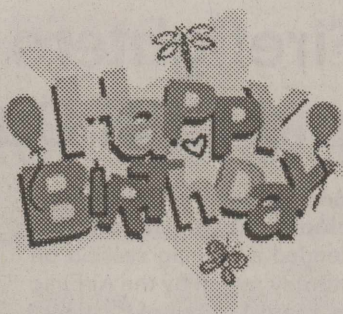
The festival features live music, an Antique and Classic Car and Truck Show, a Tractor Show, a bounce house for the kids, and lots of food, entertainment and booths.

Mark your calendar now and make plans to be at the festival.

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Edith Sorrell
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Mike Peacock
Betty Fisher
Gary Wayne Callaway
Carol (Weaver) Pharr
Kelly Austin
Bobby Clarkson

March 6

Landon Pope
Jared Fulchor
Marie Fletcher
Mrs. Gene Wilcoxon
John Chesshir
Becky (Stone) Wood
Jerry Tate
Reuben McCowen
Janis Cean
Jeff Key
Butch Webb
Mrs. Hiram Brooks
Ruth (Burleson) Hutchins
Dickie Gilland
Vicki Reed
Elene Ryes
Jonathan Clare
Richard Milder
Jamie Cole
Clayton Hance Bonner
John Willis

March 7

Billy Black
Diane Bowden
Deana Terstegge
Juanita Free
Carl Corley
Ann Holland
Shelly Gray

March 8

Jane Bonner
Dee Ann (Copping) Key
Jerril Whiteside
Jennifer Johnston
Betty P. Bean
Paula (Allen) Keency
Cameron Taylor
David Melder
Ella Lee

March 9

Don Crouch
Rainey Blue Bacon
Gloria Peninger
Jerry Wayne Calhoun
Carl David Scott
Glenda (Gould) Callaway
Duane Thomas

March 11

Scott Wyatt
Darrell Smithson
Mrs. J.T. Sheppard
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Jimmy Gattis
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Trudy Rea (Newman) Semmler

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Robert E. Howard Days to be Held June 9th-10th

Project Pride announces early plans for the annual Robert E. Howard days to be held on Friday and Saturday, June 9-10 this year. Headquartered at the REH Museum and Pavilion, the event will focus on the recent discoveries of Howard pictures and other new aspects of the total Howard movement. Paul Herman of Houston, noted "rat terrier" of Howard memorabilia, will be the guest of honor and will discuss some of these Howard discoveries.

Herman is known locally for presently the \$1000 scholarship

from the REH Foundation to a graduating Senior each year.

Numerous panel discussions, the Glenn Lord Symposium and the award ceremony for outstanding contributions to the Movement will all be held at the First United Methodist Church. The celebration dinner, hosted by Project Pride, will be once again held in the Community Center.

Stay tuned for developing plans for this event that draws visitors from around the world and all across the USA.

Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

March is here!

The road graders have been out on the roads here in Cottonwood.

Kiwanis will be having their annual Pancake Supper at the school cafeteria on Thursday night, March 2nd. Roy Boyd, Bob and Marsha Ossowski, Arnie Smith, Adrian Allen, Erik Woodard and others here in Cottonwood are all involved with the Kiwanis.

The library in Cross Plains is planning a big month with the the Big Read. They are celebrating F. Scott Fitzgerald's "The Great Gatsby". Look for events all month long.

The kids are out of school for Spring Break, March 13 to 17.

There will be a dance at the Senior Center on Monday, March 13th. Plan to go and have a great time whether you dance the night away or just listen to the music. Dance starts at 6:30 p.m.

Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group is planning their Annual Fish Fry for Friday night, March 24th. This will be in conjunction with the Cottonwood Musical on that night. The Fish Fry is at the Community Center.

The Burn Ban is ON. No Control Burns, trash burning or welding. If you see smoke, it's a fire. Call the 911 to reach the Sheriff's Office to report the fire. Their number: 325-854-1444

Cross Plains Community Calendar

March

Mar 1 - Wednesday, Library Open House, 2-4 p.m. Great Gatsby Display, part of the Big Read

Mar 1 - Cross Plains Garden Club, ASAP kids program at the library "The Great Gardener", 4 p.m.

Mar 1 - Ash Wednesday; Services at Methodist Church at noon and 6 p.m.

Mar 2 - Thursday, Kiwanis Pancake Supper, High School Cafeteria, 5-7 p.m.

Mar 4 - Saturday, Library Book Sale, manned by Project Pride, building across from Lawrence Farm and Ranch, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Mar 13 - Monday, Dance at the Senior Center, 6:30 p.m.

Mar 13-17 - Spring Break
Mar 16 - Thursday, "The Great Gatsby", 1974 movie, Cross Plains Public Library, 5:30 p.m. Discussion afterward at Jean's Feedbar.

Mar 17 - Friday, St. Patrick's Day

Mar 18 - Saturday, Cooking Demonstration of foods of the 1920s with Nicole Sparks of the Crockin Girls, in conjunction with the Cross Plains Public Library's Big Read, First United Methodist Church, 11 a.m.

Mar 25 - Saturday, Cross Plains Public Library, Orphan Trains Historical Fiction Performance, First United Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m.

Mar 25 - Saturday, Team Roping, Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Arena

Mar 30 - Thursday, "The Great Gatsby", 2013 movie, Cross Plains Public Library.

Discussion afterward at Jean's Feedbar.

April

Apr 1 - Burkett Volunteer Fire Department 9th Annual Barbeque Supper and Open House, Burkett Christian Community Center, 5-8 p.m.

Apr 9 - Palm Sunday, Methodist Church Easter Cantata, 4 p.m.

Apr 14 - Good Friday, School's out for Easter Holiday

Apr 14 - Garden Club Plant Sale, Park by the Library, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Apr 16 - Easter Sunday
Apr 28 - Friday, Arbor Day

May

May 4 - National Day of Prayer, Thursday, Prayer Service at the Methodist Church, noon. Light lunch afterward.

May 14 - Mother's Day
May 19 - Friday, Last day of School Classes; Graduation

May 26-29 - Memorial Day Weekend, Fire Department, EMS and Caring Citizens stand at 4-Way Stop.

May 29 - Monday, Memorial Day observed

June

June 8 - Thursday, Barbarian Festival Parade, 6 p.m.; Senior Center Fish Fry, 5-7 p.m.

June 9 & 10 - Friday and Saturday, Robert E. Howard Days

June 10 - Saturday, Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Playday

June 10 - Saturday, Barbarian Festival, Treadway Park, 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

June 18 - Father's Day
June 24 - Saturday, Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Playday

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Megan Stephens and Regan Darby, both of AirEvac answer questions about transporting patients by helicopter.

Senator Cruz discusses Dyess Air Force Base with Secretary of Air Force nominee

U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Texas) met with President Trump's nominee to become the Secretary of the Air Force, Dr. Heather Wilson. Sen. Cruz and Dr. Wilson discussed the relationship between the USAF and Texas and the exceptional contributions the pairing provides to our overall national security.

"I was very pleased to meet Dr. Wilson and hear her thoughts on the many challenges facing the United States Air Force. She is a serious candidate to become our next Secretary of the Air Force and I enjoyed our very constructive conversation. I welcomed her understanding of the many programs and USAF equities in the state of Texas and her appreciation

for our state's unwavering commitment to the Air Force and the level of investment Texas makes in its military communities. We discussed many ways that Texas can continue to partner with the Air Force including saving the USAF money by consolidating the Battlefield Airman training program in San Antonio, the historic strategic bomber capabilities that are available to the B-21 Raider by locating it at Dyess AFB, and the need to meet our future air superiority needs by purchasing sufficient numbers of the world's premier fighter aircraft, the F-35. I look forward to seeing Dr. Wilson again at her Armed Services Committee hearing and furthering this dialog."

DPS helps rescue more than 70 endangered children in 2016

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) announced today that DPS Troopers - with the support of the DPS Interdiction for the Protection of Children (IPC) program, the Texas Rangers and DPS Special Agents - rescued 76 missing, exploited or at-risk children and initiated 42 related criminal investigations in 2016.

"Children who go missing, who are abused or at-risk of being abused don't always make an outcry for help when they encounter an officer," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "For this reason, the department's IPC program is an indispensable tool; it has helped law enforcement across Texas, the nation and internationally to protect vulnerable victims, and ensure the criminals who target children face the full force of the law."

The IPC program was implemented in 2009 to teach law enforcement officers how to recognize indicators of endangered children who do not actively seek out help or exhibit obvious signs of abuse. As a result of receiving this specialized and targeted training, law enforcement officers can more readily identify and rescue children and arrest suspects.

As part of the 2016 totals, 19 children were rescued and 11 DPS IPC investigations

were initiated in December alone. Additionally, DPS Victim Services counselors also provided emotional support and referrals to other resources to 181 of the rescued children and family members last year.

The 42 criminal investigations initiated in 2016 focused on various alleged crimes, including:

- * 20 cases of sexual assault of a child;
- * 10 cases of possession of child pornography;
- * Two cases of human trafficking;
- * Two cases of indecency with a child; and
- * Three cases of potential registered sex offender non-compliance.

Since the program's inception, DPS has initiated more than 100 criminal investigations, and rescued more than 250 children as a result of this training. DPS partners with various law enforcement, victim services and Child Protective Services agencies to provide IPC training. To date, DPS has provided IPC training to its own officers as well as more than 6,500 other law enforcement and child protective service professionals in Texas, across the country and internationally. This training has also assisted other agencies in implementing similar programs within their own jurisdictions.

Food Banks urge state funds for healthy food

Austin - Food banks and their supporters joined together at the Capitol today to educate legislators on a new report showing significant health care savings associated with the distribution of fresh produce to low-income Texans.

Feeding Texas, local food banks, the American Diabetes Association, the Texas Public Health Coalition, Texans Care for Children and other groups testified before the Texas Senate Finance Committee on the report by economist Dr. Ray Perryman, which found that \$1 of state investment in strategies pairing free produce with nutrition education yielded \$3.27 in savings and revenue to the state, the bulk of that from Medicaid savings.

"Our network is committed to helping every Texan reach their full potential for a healthy, productive life," testified Celia Cole, CEO of Feeding Texas. "We're laying the foundation for that life by giving low-income

families a proven combination of nutrition education and the fresh produce they need to change their habits."

"Ensuring that children and families have access to food and healthy choices is an integral part of what keeps families supported and thriving," wrote Eduardo Sanchez, Chair of the Texas Public Health Coalition. "Lack of healthy food options can influence how children perform in school, and food insecurity increases rates of obesity, malnutrition, and chronic diseases including high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and diabetes."

In coordination with the report's release and associated testimony, the food banks were also honored by the Texas House in a resolution sponsored by Rep. Drew Darby of San Angelo.

The Perryman report can be found on Feeding Texas' website.

Firefighters Learn Landing Zone Procedures and CPR During Training Session on Saturday

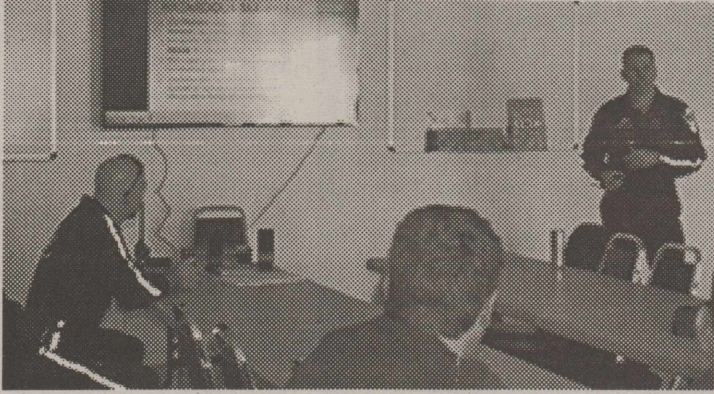
Members of the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department attended a training session on Saturday put on by the AirEvac Life Team 115 out of Eastland. AirEvac's Matt Giles, Regan Darby and Dary Boyd instructed

the group in the procedure of requesting a helicopter and setting up a landing zone for the helicopter.

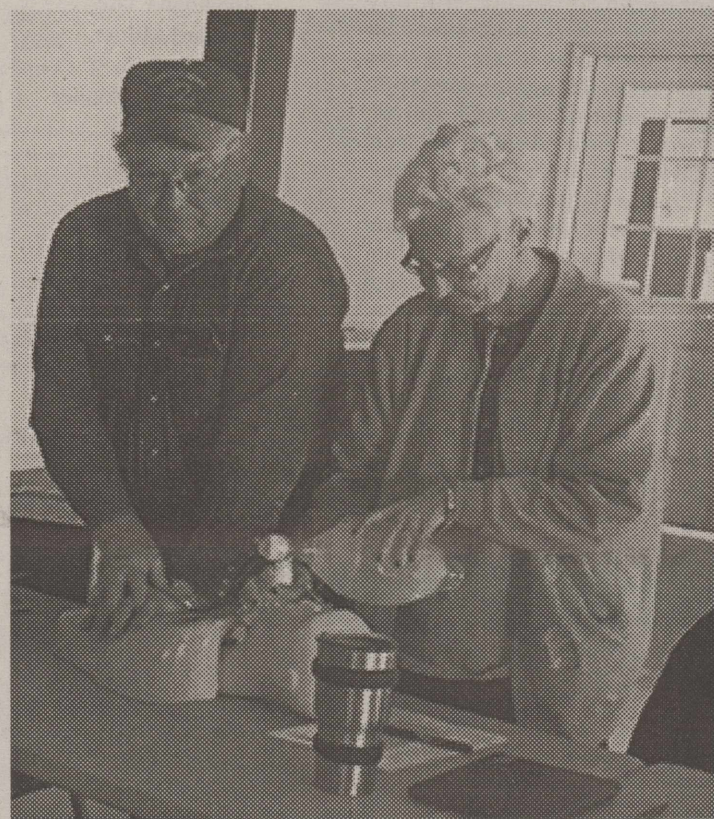
Megan Stephens and Jason Haynes taught CPR lifesaving skills to the class.



AirEvac's Jason Haynes and Megan Stephens with Josh Loftis, Bryon McNutt and Rickey Catouth



Matt Giles and Dary Boyd of AirEvac



Randy and Judy Foster in CPR Training



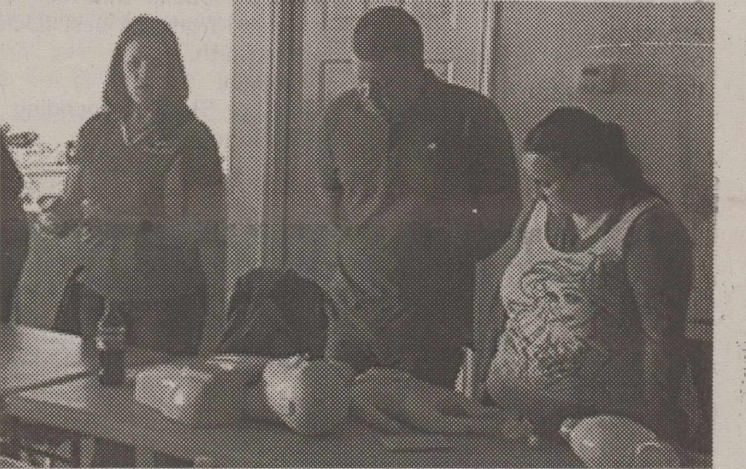
AirEvac Helicopter Landed at the CPVFD Firehouse



Learning About the Helicopter - clockwise from left: Josh Loftis, Bryon McNutt, Rickey Carouth, Chris Thompson, J. D. Huddleston, Darrin Ames, Judy Foster, Michael Foster, and Heather Lee



Michael Foster in CPR Class



Megan Stephens with Chris and ReNetha Thompson

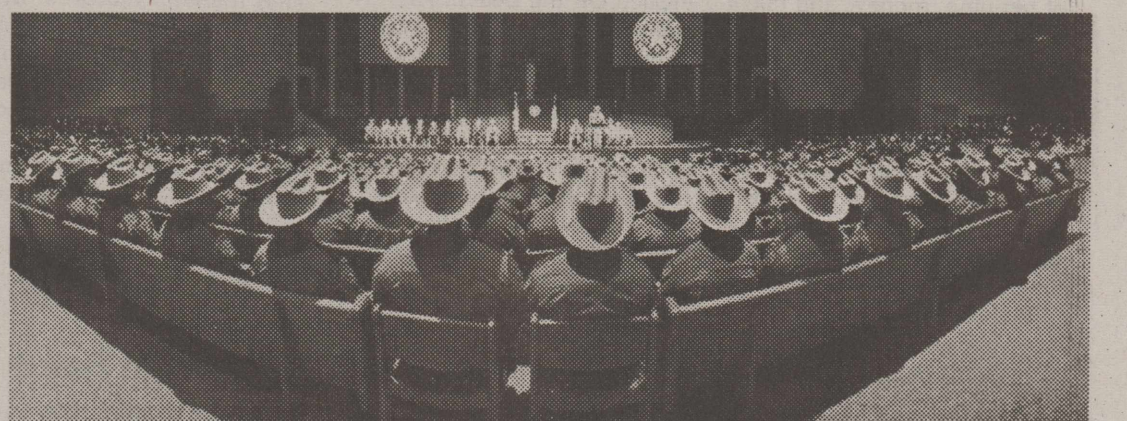
Marks largest recruit class since 2000

DPS graduates 134 new Highway Patrol Troopers

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Director Steven McCraw, Texas Public Safety Commission Chair Cynthia Leon, and members of the Public Safety Commission (PSC) today were joined by Texas Rep. Tony Dale as the department commissioned 134 men and women as the state's newest Highway Patrol Troopers during the ceremony, which was held today in Austin.

"The men and women here today have selflessly pledged their lives to protect the people of Texas by joining law enforcement - an noble profession that requires immense courage and sacrifice," said Rep. Dale. "The state is profoundly grateful for your dedication to becoming our newest Texas Highway Patrol Troopers."

The D-2016 class, which is the department's 158th training class and the largest since August 2000, includes 16 women, 16 former peace officers and 58 military veterans. The oldest graduate is 51-years-old and the youngest is 21-years-old. The new Troopers will report to duty stations across Texas in the coming weeks and spend the



first six months in on-the-job training.

"I know each of you has worked tremendously hard in order to get where you are today, and your perseverance and achievements have been nothing less than remarkable," said Chair Leon. "We are honored to welcome you to the DPS family, and I know you will make us all proud as you walk out these doors to begin your new career serving and protecting your communities."

The Troopers began the 24-week training academy in September of last year. Instruction covered more than 100 subjects, including counterterrorism, traffic and criminal law, arrest and control procedures, accident reconstruction, first aid and Spanish. They also received

training in use of force, communication skills, firearms, driving, criminal interdiction, cultural diversity and physical fitness.

"These 134 men and women have risen to the challenge of DPS' months-long training to prove their proficiency and dedication, and the department is honored to add them to our law enforcement ranks," said Director McCraw. "From this day forward, you will serve on the front lines protecting our communities from the full gamut of public safety threats, and Texas will be a safer place because of your commitment to duty."

As part of the recruits' community service project, the class raised funds for several causes, including \$6,866 for the Green Beret Foundation; and

\$1,150 for the Louisiana State Troopers Association (to assist Troopers affected by flooding in Louisiana). In addition, the class established the "158th Fund," which will provide future recruits with financial assistance for miscellaneous medical expenses. Members of the class also volunteered to be tested as potential donors for a national bone marrow registry.

DPS is currently accepting applications for recruit classes scheduled for 2018. The next application deadline is June 20 for the class beginning Jan. 7, 2018. To apply or for more information about joining the legion of brave and outstanding officers at the Texas Department of Public Safety, visit www.joindps.com.

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Cross Plains T-Shirt Quilt Raffle Benefits Local Scholarships

A Cross Plains T-Shirt quilt will be raffled off to help start an annual local scholarship. Many former Buffs and Lady Buffs players and coaches have donated their "collectible" t-shirts to make this effort possible. This endeavor is the start of something larger that will take great teamwork and communication to make it successful.

The HERD scholarship: Honoring Education, Recognizing Dreams will be initiated by this raffle but sustained by annual alumni, former employees, and friends of Cross Plains donations of \$25 dollars. That is correct; we are asking for you to donate only \$25 dollars a year (less than .07 cents a day) to this

annual scholarship that will be presented to one deserving senior student each year.

Here is another caveat that we are exceptionally excited about with this scholarship. Each year, when we present this scholarship, it will be in honor of a former CPISD employee. When you donate your \$25, please vote on which employee you would like to see honored that year. So many of us had a teacher/school employee that was instrumental in our life, and this is a great chance for them to be honored.

Chances for this quilt will be sold at Cross Plains athletic events throughout each school year. You can also buy chances and see the quilt at Texas Heritage Bank. You can also

buy chances through Lurene at CPISD. Chances are \$1 each or six chances for \$5 dollars. The winner will be drawn at the Cross Plains athletic banquet in May.

To make your annual donation to the HERD scholarship, please send your \$25 to Cross Plains ISD Attn. Lurene McNutt 700 N. Main Cross Plains, Texas 76443

When you make your donation, please remember to vote on which former employee you would like honored. Cross Plains is a very special place for many of us. I encourage each of you to not only give but to also rally your classmates and friends to get behind the HERD!

From the Cross Plains Review - 67 Years Ago March 3, 1950

From the Cross Plains Review... 67 years ago, March 3, 1950.

Two local youths, R. Q. Black and Billy Jean Foster, were released by kidnappers in Houston on Monday. They had been kidnapped in Brownwood on Sunday night.

Eight Students make the honor roll in Cottonwood: First graders George Jennings, Dan Archer, Drucilla Jones and Ethel Luster; Third graders Rolan Jones and George Whitehead; and Fourth Graders Kathryn Green and Effie Jo Carrell.

Terms of Mayor S. N. Foster and councilmen L. F. Foster and Dave C. Lee are expiring. Other City Council Members are Lindsey Tyson, Edwin Baum Jr., and J. Howard Cox.

Aunt Mary's Quilting Club will meet Wednesday in the home of Mrs. W. M. Key.

The Buffalo Inn, located just across the street south of the school campus, was taken over Monday morning by Mrs. L. W. Westerman. It had been operated the past several weeks by Vernon Dillard.

Girl Scout Troop Number Three was entertained in the home of Mrs. Pete Robbins. Attending were Alta Mae Park, Betty Porter, Vondell Dillard, Loris Merrill, Joyce Tyler, Phyllis Brown, Bettie Lou Robbins, Mrs. Oarland Austin, troop leader.

Senior Citizens Center Activities

Mar. 6th -Mar. 13th

Monday-6th Exercise 11:00/Music Jam 6:00 p.m./ Senior Dance 6:30p.m

Tuesday-7th Exercise 11:00/Game Night

Wednesday-8th Exercise 11:00/Blood Pressure check Kindred at Home of Eastland

Thursday-9th Exercise 11:00/ Reading with 3rd Graders 9:45 & 12:25

Friday-10th Exercise 11:00/Bingo 11:15-Western Hills Nursing

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

Mar. 6th - Mar. 13th

Monday 6th-Salisbury Thursday 2nd-Chicken Steak, Potatoes, Carrots, Tenders, Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans, Bread, Dessert

Tuesday 7th -Fried Fish Friday 3rd-Ham & Cheese Coleslaw, Bread Beans, Sandwich, Pea Salad, Fruit, Hushpuppies, Dessert Dessert

Wednesday 1st -Chili Beans, Sliced Onions, Spinach, Cornbread, Dessert

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

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

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- 6 Monte _____ TX
- 7 it's attached to a horse's bit
- 8 water-into-wine site
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- 21 steak order
- 22 Mexican dish with a corn husk
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- 33 TXism: "neon light _____ (inspiration)"
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- 43 Gulf sailors
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- 51 TX Willie sang "She's _____ For You"
- 52 Hobby arrival info.

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- 21 this can kill your grass or plants in summer (2 wds.)
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- 28 giver to charity
- 29 "Beware the _____ of March"
- 32 TXism: "rug _____ (child)"
- 33 poker debts
- 34 former Austin event: "Spam _____"
- 36 ace in golf (3 wds.)
- 37 TXism: "hot as a bed of mesquite"
- 39 "_____ Lucy"
- 40 prehistoric stone or bronze tool
- 43 "as _____ on TV"
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Scranton Musical is Saturday, March 4th

SCRANTON MUSICAL - The musical will be held Saturday, March 4, 2017 at the Community Center. The kitchen begins serving at 5:00. Margaret and Don Starr of Stamford will be the kitchen hosts. The special will be spaghetti, salad, bread and your choice of a drink for \$5.00. There will also be sandwiches for \$1.50 and homemade pies for \$1.00 a slice. You won't find better food at any musical.

Ruby Johnson will be the

emcee. She and her husband, Buddy, have a full line up of musicians for your enjoyment.

The original Scranton Post Office building on the grounds is being refurbished and the Community Center is undergoing work to improve the facility. Donations towards these updates will gladly be accepted in order to continue providing a venue for musicians to share their talents.

We look forward to seeing you for food, music, and fellowship.

Cross Plains Public Library Receives Children's Books from the Pilcrow Foundation

The Cross Plains Public Library has just received 105 children's books courtesy of a grant from the Pilcrow Foundation, which includes a bonus of 24 math and science books from donors Mr. Hal Berenson and Mrs. Laura Ackerman. The Pilcrow Foundation works with libraries because they believe in community involvement and want to encourage and reward local support of libraries. Last December, our library raised \$417 from the gift-wrapping booth at our annual Christmas Craft Fair to earn this matching grant, which netted \$1,200.60 worth of new, quality, hardcover children's books through the Foundation's Children's Book Project. The additional math and science books are valued at \$405.49, bringing the total value of the books received to \$1606.09!

The Pilcrow Foundation was founded in 2013 to continue the work of The Libri Foundation (of which we awarded books in 2011 and 2014) for the sole purpose of helping rural libraries acquire new, quality, hardcover children's books they could not otherwise afford to buy. At The Pilcrow Foundation, they recognize

the importance of public libraries in rural communities. Libraries are often the center of the community, where people come together to learn and share ideas. Providing quality children's books to rural public libraries ensures an opportunity for active engagement within the community and lifelong learning. Reading to and with children everyday and providing them with frequent opportunities to read on their own are important activities for literacy development. Literacy is the greatest gift we can give to our children; the public library is where we can start.

Books were selected from the Foundation's book list, which has been highly praised by participating librarians for the quality and variety of fiction and nonfiction titles offered. In choosing the titles, we paid special attention to completing any series in which we were lacking books. The books donated to our library through the Children's Book Project program are being processed and will be on display in the Children's Discovery Center. Bring the kids to the library and check it out!

Garden Club Preparing for Plant Sale on April 14th

The Garden Club is preparing now for their annual April Plant Sale. The sale is scheduled for Friday, April 14, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the park adjacent to the Cross Plains Public Library.

Please mark your calendars - you won't want to miss this event!

We will offer a huge assortment of both indoor and outdoor plants, pots and planters, silent auction items, yard art and more.

From the Cross Plains Review - 22 Years Ago Feb. 23, 1995

From the Cross Plains Review... 22 years ago, February 23, 1995

Cross Plains Buffaloes are Playoff Bound. On the team: Terry Shults, Brock Walker, Matt Reed, Donnie Dillard, Joseph Turner, Benji Blackstock, Hugo Mauricio, Jared Harris, Jeremy Barnett, Justin Richey, Brandon Stover, Jarad Richards, Constantino Reyes (manager); Leah King (statistician), Chris Rios and Jarrod Potter (video crew), Amanda Sowell (bookkeeper), Bill Boyd and Kevin McLean were the coaches.

Roy Tatom and Helen Freeman were named the Senior Citizens Valentine King and Queen. Other nominees were: Earl Mosley, Chuck Woody, Roger Watson, Frances Rone, Pauline Switzer and Hazel Marsh.

About 20 high school seniors voluntarily participated in a finance course taught by Steve Mack and Dannes Turner, both of Citizens State Bank.

On the lunch menu at school: Chili dogs, Spaghetti, Tacos, Chicken Fried Steak and Hamburgers.

Shana Bagley was listed on the A Honor Roll at Tarleton State. Joy Klingberg was listed on the B Honor Roll.



New Steam Table - City Workers Sean Conway, Bryon McNutt and Brayden Kennedy assemble the new steam table that was donated to the Senior Citizen's Center by Barr Fabrication of Early.

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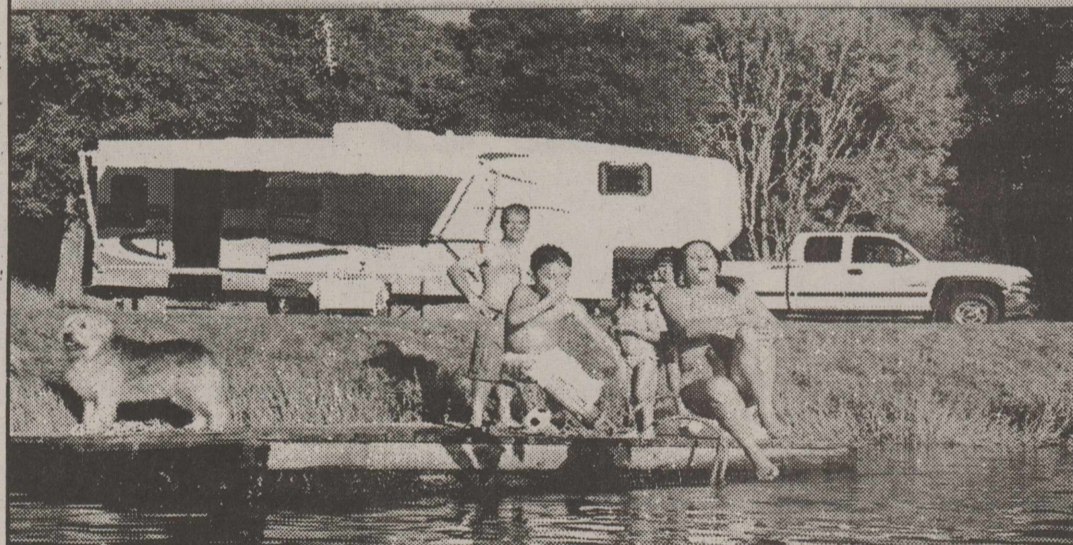
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Soil Fertility for Forage Management Seminar in Abilene this Friday

Due to the popularity of last year's program, Dr. Jake Mowrer, State Extension Soil Nutrient and Water Resource Specialist will once again present a Soil Fertility for Forage Management Seminar at 9:00am on March 3rd. The seminar will be held at the Taylor County Extension Office located on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center. Dr. Mowrer's program will give an overview of Soil Basics 101, Soil Fertility Management, Nutrient Efficiency, Soil and Water Relationships and Soil Sampling. This program will offer 3 general CEU's toward recertification of TDA agricultural pesticide licenses. This will be the 2nd Annual

Soil Fertility for Forage Management Seminar in Taylor County. Interest following last year's program dictated we follow-up with another program this year. We would like to invite all producers to come out and meet Dr. Mowrer and discuss questions they may have about their soil fertility programs.

Dr. Mowrer came to Texas A&M Agrilife Extension in 2015. His Extension focus is providing leadership and education in the areas of soil and water resource stewardship. He hopes to bring increasing awareness and adoption of sustainable management practices for soil nutrients and water resources in agricultural and urban environments through outreach

and demonstration. He also will work on improvement of impaired surface water resources.

Dr. Mowrer's research focus will be investigating the effect of soil fertility practices on water-capture and water-use efficiency in row crop, forage, and vegetable production systems. He will also work to refine our understanding of tillage, residue, and fertility management to achieve goals in sustainability and profitability specifically for Texas food and fiber producers.

The program is free of charge. For more information, contact the Taylor County Extension office at 325-672-6048.

BURN BAN IN EFFECT

TxDOT discusses 10-year \$70 billion project plan to improve transportation in Texas

AUSTIN - The Texas Transportation Commission today heard presentations from the Texas Department of Transportation regarding the agency's Unified Transportation Program (UTP) - the 10-year project funding plan aimed at enhancing safety, reducing congestion, improving connectivity and maintaining the state's massive highway system. The proposed updates to the UTP dedicate funding for 1,210 centerline miles of added capacity and improvements, including \$2.5 billion in projects to relieve congestion as part of the agency's Texas Clear Lanes initiative.

"Mobility not only benefits individual drivers but also the Texas economy as goods and services move safely and efficiently across our state," said Texas Transportation Commissioner J. Bruce Bugg, Jr., who is leading the Commission focus on reducing

congestion. "As our state's population grows, the 12,000 men and women of TxDOT will continue to collaborate with state and local leaders to find feasible solutions for funding specific projects that TxDOT will execute upon expeditiously to keep people and freight moving throughout our state."

Thanks to Texas voters, who in 2014 and 2015 approved additional funding in the form of existing oil and gas and sales taxes, and the commitment of Gov. Greg Abbott and the Texas legislature to keep highway dollars dedicated to the state's roadways, TxDOT is able to provide additional funding for priority transportation projects. If approved by the Commission in March, the updated UTP will dedicate an additional \$2.5 billion (of Category 12 funding Texas Clear Lanes initiative) for 19 new projects (over the next four years) aimed at relieving congestion in the major metro

areas above what is already in the UTP. This program is designed to help plan for the huge population growth expected to take place in Texas over the next few decades.

"We appreciate the support of Texans and we stand ready to deliver on these projects that will help ease their commutes," said TxDOT Deputy Executive Director Marc Williams. "Most of TxDOT's budget is dedicated to Texas roadway projects and we stand committed to putting those dollars to good use for our citizens."

TxDOT is holding a public meeting on Feb. 23 at 4 p.m. to receive comments on the updates to the UTP. Visit www.txdot.gov and search "Unified Transportation Program" for more information. Due to the public comment period, these proposed projects are subject to change pending Commission approval in March.

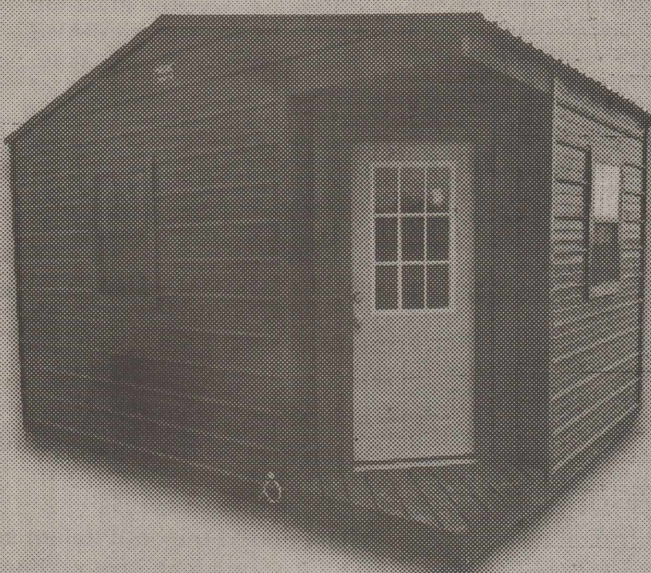
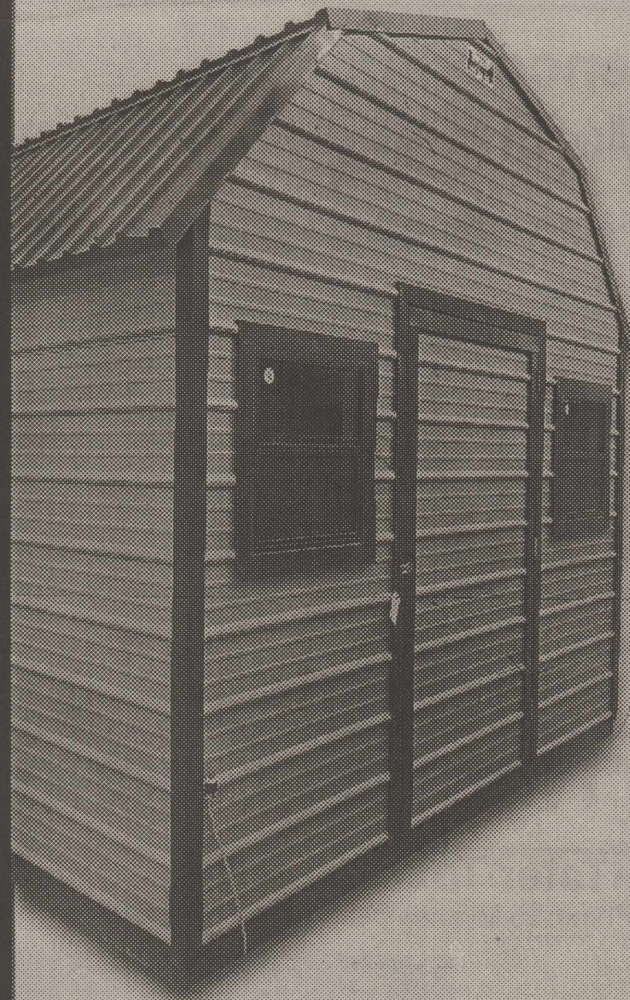
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Misdemeanor Filings

Stashia Lynn Callaway, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
Stephany Marie Jackson, DWI.

Mathew Steven Valdez, possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz.

Mathew Steven Valdez, possession of controlled substance.

Jennifer Lee Lewis, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Shelby Borton, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Billy J. Cassle, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Bonnie R. Teague, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Aaron D. Abbott, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Kristin P. Williams, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Lorenzo A. Valles, order amending conditions of probation granted.

42nd District Court
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Breezie Jones and Christopher Jones, divorce.

Ashley Nicole Dickson and Jeffery Wayne Dickson, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Sharla Diane Fleming and Samuel Alexander Fleming, divorce granted.

Casey Joe Huddleston and Kimberly Maelena Huddleston, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Matthew Stokes, plea of guilty to theft, 1 year in jail, \$299 court costs.

Ralph C. Rodriguez, III, plea of guilty to indecency with a child, 5 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$389 court costs.

Timothy Allison, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 3 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$359 court costs.

Rick C. Acosta, plea of guilty to sexual assault, 6 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$344 court costs.

Richard C. Acosta, plea of guilty to assault on a public servant, 5 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$299 court costs.

William K. Cedregren, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 2 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$359 court costs, \$180 restitution.



CPVFD Truck Captain Josh Loftis and Assistant Fire Chief Byron McNutt performing CPR on a baby dummy.

Bill would establish March 6th as Alamo Day

AUSTIN, TEXAS - State Representative Jason Villalba (R-Dallas) has filed House Bill 724, which establishes March 6 as Alamo Day in Texas. The holiday will officially recognize the Battle of the Alamo, a critical moment in our state's history.

Alamo Day will celebrate the heroic actions of the volunteer Texan soldiers who occupied the Alamo during Texas' war for independence from Mexico. Regardless of their lack of manpower and sufficient troops, these brave Texans remained steadfastly dedicated to protecting the Franciscan fort in San Antonio. After a bloody thirteen day struggle, Mexican forces overtook the Alamo on March 6, 1836. Even though General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna and his troops then occupied the Alamo from March to May of that year, Sam Houston and 800 other heroic Texans attacked the fort once again to reclaim control on April 21, 1836 while shouting "Remember the Alamo!"

Rather than establishing Alamo Day as April 21, Rep. Villalba contends that the loyalty demonstrated at the Fall of the Alamo demonstrates the character of the men and

women responsible for the Great State we know and love today. Representative Villalba said, "We remember March 6 because of our Texan Forefathers' sacrifices for our Great State. The perseverance they showed during hardship defines their character - not only their actions in times of victory, but also in moments of crisis. Alamo Day will celebrate the importance of Texan fortitude in pursuit of a goal, during the highs and the lows."

Representative Jason Villalba represents Lake Highlands, Preston Hollow and North West Dallas in the Texas House of Representatives. Rep. Villalba, a graduate of Baylor University and the University of Texas School of Law, was first elected to House District 114 in November of 2012. He is a proud, fourth-generation Texan and the first in his family to attend college. Prior to attending law school and becoming a partner in a major Texas law firm, Rep. Villalba held the positions of financial analyst and economist for a Fortune 500 Company located in Dallas.

Delivered Meals Available

As we age and our health changes, sometime we may need a little help. The Cross Plains Senior Center offers home delivered meals Monday - Friday to residents living within a 2 mile radius of Cross Plains.

These meals are packaged and then delivered to the front door of home-bound persons over 60 years old. If you or someone you know could benefit by receiving a nutritious lunch please call the Cross Plains Senior Center at 254 725-6521.

If there are people in need of this service outside the delivery area, please contact us and we will explore options available.

The Cross Plains Senior 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.

Track Meet Schedule

- High School:**
March 2nd - Thursday, Cross Plains
March 9th - Thursday, DeLeon
March 18th - Saturday, Hamlin
March 23rd - Thursday, Hamilton
March 30th - Thursday, Albany
April 6th - Thursday, San Saba
April 13th - Thursday, May - District Meet.
- Junior High:**
March 3rd - Friday, Cross Plains
March 9th - Friday, DeLeon
March 24th - Friday, Hamilton
March 30th - Thursday, May - District Meet

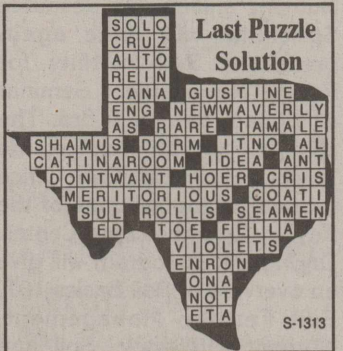
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Trailer, Camouflage clothing, camo snake guards, camel back footlocker, 1 ton Chain Hoist, Air Hydraulic Riveter, Craftsman Grinding Saw, Silver Eagle 1/2 in. Drive High Impact, 3 old school desks, Plumbing Tools, Iron Chairs, U Bolts, Office Desk, various size wrenches, Comfy chairs, Swivel Chairs, TV Dinner Trays (Wooden). Wooden Barrel , Gas Cans, Large Wooden Tables, Magnavox DVD, Computer speakers, Lane Headboard, Chevrolet hubcaps, old red wagon, Antique glassware, mason jars, Sake Set, Various Cake Molds, large wooden spice rack, old Victrola, Electric heaters, Chess Set, 4 General Motors Mag Wheels (265/75/R16), Marshall 50 Watt Amp PA System 120V, XPC Roughrider Golf Club sets in bag, Tickle-me-Elmos, Super hero toys, transformers, to many other items to list.

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No Buyers Premium!

The Gavel that Travels!

Central Texas Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show Abilene dates given

See rocks that glow in the dark! Crack open a geode and see what crystals are inside. Is rock or fossil collecting your thing?

Or maybe you prefer gems or jewelry? If so, visit the 2017 Central Texas Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show on April 8 and 9 at the Abilene Convention Center.

Shop at a variety of vendor's booths offering various rock-related and jewelry items. Showcase displays of rock specimens and minerals, lapidary, wire wrapping, and jewelry are featured. Silver smithing, gem faceting, chain making, beading and other lapidary techniques will

be demonstrated.

The show is Saturday 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Show proceeds will help provide a university scholarship to a local geology student.

Every hour door prizes will be drawn for one adult and one child. (All Boy/Girl Scouts and Military in uniform are admitted free!) Adult admission is \$3, children 6 to 12 are \$1.50 and under 6 are free. At the conclusion of the show on Sunday afternoon, the raffle winners and \$100 Grand Prize winner

will be drawn and you need not be present to win. Y'all come out and enjoy our show.

DPS Recognizes Exceptional Employees, Good Samaritan

AUSTIN - The Texas Public Safety Commission (PSC) and Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Director Steven McCraw presented a Purple Heart, two Lifesaving Awards and a Unit Citation to current and retired employees for their remarkable service and heroic actions. In addition, two DPS employees were recognized with William P. Clements Excellence Awards for outstanding service throughout their careers; and one good Samaritan received a Director's Award.

"These remarkable individuals have distinguished themselves as caring citizens and outstanding employees, who selflessly stepped forward to help their fellow Texans - even in the face of danger," said Director McCraw. "Today we say 'thank you' to our DPS employees and other heroes for their unwavering dedication to helping others."

The William P. Clements Excellence Award, named in honor of the former governor and his commitment to excellence in government, recognizes employees who display exceptional performance throughout their DPS career. The commissioned recipient was Special Agent Cody Ryan Allen, Criminal Investigations Division in Midland, and the non-commissioned recipient was John Michael Morse, Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) Auditor in Austin.

Allen began his career with DPS in 2007, and served in Highway Patrol, where he received a Director's Citation for assisting a wounded law enforcement officer during an active shooter incident. In 2013, Allen promoted to Special Agent,

Criminal Investigations Division in Midland. Since joining the Criminal Investigations Division, Allen has established himself as a leader in human trafficking investigations and has led the way in developing and implementing innovative child predator and child pornography interdiction operations.

Morse began his DPS career in 2000 as a fingerprint technician at the department's headquarters in Austin. In 2004, he promoted to Criminal Justice Information System Field Representative and promoted again to CJIS Auditor III in 2015. Throughout his 12 years in the CJIS Field Support Unit, Morse has consistently received commendation and praise from co-workers, supervisors and managers within DPS as well as individual he works with from other agencies.

The following awards also were presented today:

Retired Capt. R.L. "Rusty" Davis received a Purple Heart. On Oct. 19, 1971, while working patrol duties as a Trooper on U.S. Highway 87, Davis was seriously injured during a traffic stop. While standing alongside the stopped vehicle, a second vehicle traveled across the roadway, striking the first vehicle and subsequently throwing Davis into a field. Davis ultimately recovered from his injuries to return to duty and retired from the Department as a Highway Patrol Captain.

Sgt. D.L. Wilson, Highway Patrol in Waco, received a Lifesaving Award; and civilian Robert Sneed received a Director's Award. On March 10, 2016, Wilson was traveling south on I-35 in Bell County

when he witnessed a truck tractor semi-trailer jackknife, strike the concrete traffic barrier and catch fire. Wilson approached the cab of the truck and attempted to rescue the trapped driver. A nearby resident who heard the crash while at home also approached the scene and assisted Wilson in pulling the driver to safety. The driver was ultimately transferred to San Antonio for medical treatment.

Trooper Trainee Nicholas Wingate, Recruit Class D-2016 from Odessa, received a Lifesaving Award. While eating dinner in a DPS cafeteria on Oct. 17, 2016, Wingate observed a fellow Trooper Trainee choking. Wingate applied the Heimlich maneuver until the food became dislodged and the trainee was able to breathe normally.

Fleet Operations Installation Department received a Unit Citation for initiatives that contributed to significant cost savings for the agency. The initiatives included staff refurbishing existing light bars for Texas Highway Patrol vehicles by using new lens kits, utilizing reclaimed sirens for vehicles and implementing in-house installation of equipment to avoid additional labor costs. In all, the unit's actions saved DPS \$966,500. Paul Lancaster, Jaime Guerra, Joe Cavazos, Mark Frazier, Layton Saeger, Michael Vigo, Ricky Aguilar, Thomas Cruz, Jason Horelica, Esteban Alvarez, Robert Walker, Danny Moore, James Johnson, James Hawthorne, Hector Martinez and Emily Meads were all recognized as part of the Unit Citation.

Tornado Drill encouraged for Wednesday, March 8th in Big Country

The National Weather Service (NWS) encourages all residents, businesses and schools across West Central Texas to practice their tornado drill Wednesday, March 8th at 10:00 AM or a time/date that is more convenient for you. The NWS in San Angelo will transmit a Routine Weekly Message through the Emergency Alert System (EAS) at this time. Because of the test format of this message, it may or may not activate certain NOAA Weather Radios.

Two Life Saving Safety Rules

1) Have at least two ways to receive life-saving NWS warnings automatically like NOAA All Hazards Weather Radio and a cell phone app. Some communities and TV stations offer timely warnings apps. Be sure to contact your emergency management office or your local TV station to see if this service is available in your area. You can also go online and search for your favorite warning alert app.

2) Have a safety plan ahead of time so you know what to do. Please refer to information on

the following pages.

NWS San Angelo Local Severe Weather Awareness Page

You may also use any of the severe weather safety information contained on the following website to help us prepare our fellow citizens for the impacts associated with severe weather.

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/thunderstorm/>
<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/tornado/>

The Recipe Corner

Tater Tot Casserole

Prep Time: 25 Minutes Bake Time: 45 Minutes

Ingredients:

- * 3/4 pound bulk hot Italian sausage
- * 3/4 pound lean ground beef (90% lean)
- * 1 small onion, chopped
- * 2 cans (10-3/4 ounces each) condensed cream of celery soup, undiluted
- * 2 cups frozen cut green beans, thawed
- * 1 can (15-1/4 ounces) whole kernel corn, drained
- * 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded Colby-Monterey Jack cheese, divided
- * 1/2 cup 2% milk
- * 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- * 1/4 teaspoon seasoned salt
- * 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- * 1 package (32 ounces) frozen Tater Tots

Directions

1. In a Dutch oven, cook the sausage, beef and onion over medium heat until meat is no longer pink; drain. Add the soup, beans, corn, 1 cup cheese, milk, garlic powder, seasoned salt and cayenne. Transfer to two greased 11x7-in. baking dishes. Top with Tater Tots; sprinkle with remaining cheese.
2. Cover and freeze one casserole for up to 3 months. Cover and bake the remaining casserole at 350° for 40 minutes. Uncover and bake 5-10 minutes longer or until bubbly.
3. To use frozen casserole: Thaw in the refrigerator overnight. Remove from the refrigerator 30 minutes before baking.
4. Cover and bake at 350° for 50 minutes. Uncover and bake 5-10 minutes longer or until bubbly. Yield: 2 casseroles (6 servings each).

