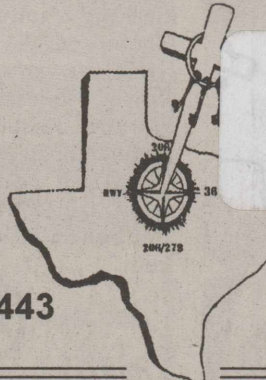


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Bryan Jackson, Vertical Adrenaline Motocross Ministries, will be featured in the Barbarian Festival Parade on Thursday, June 8th. The parade begins at 6 p.m. at the Methodist Church and runs through downtown Cross Plains. Following the parade, Jackson will do a stunt exhibition next to the Senior Center.

Barbarian Festival, Saturday, June 10th Features Magician, Car Show, Live Music and other events

This year's Barbarian Festival features something for everyone - Mom, Dad and all the kids!

The Festival, slated for Saturday, June 10th, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. will be held under the cool shade trees at Treadway Park, just west of Cross Plains.

Enjoy barbeque, hamburgers, shaved ice and other treats as you stroll through the festival's many booths of jewelry, candles, home decor, and many other items. Kids will enjoy the inflatable bounce obstacle course, face painting, duck pond and other kids games.

New this year at the festival -- the Magical World of Jeffrey Jester. Jester, a magician, will do two shows on the Barbarian Festival Stage as well as, perform magic in the park. Jester's appearance at the Festival is sponsored by Higginbotham Funeral Home.

KOXE Radio will be on hand for the fun and festivities! They will be broadcasting live from the festival from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., sponsored by the Rising Star Nursing Center.

The Antique and Classic Car and Truck Show always draws a big crowd. Be sure to take a look at all of the entries and vote for your favorite in the "People's Choice" category. The Car

Show is sponsored by Hanner Chevrolet Supercenter.

Be sure to check out the tractors in the Tractor Show.

Enter the kids - or yourself - in the Hula Hoop Contest. It's open to all ages!

Bring a lawn chair and sit under the trees and enjoy live music from the new stage and dance floor at the park:

9:00 a.m. Welcome and opening prayer; Class of '57.
10:00 a.m. Concho Grass
10:30 a.m. Texas Tornadoes Dance Group
11:00 a.m. The Magical World of Jeffrey Jester
11:30 a.m. Crissy Marlatt
12:00 p.m. Class of '57; Hula Hoop Contest
12:45 p.m. Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Playday Awards
1:00 p.m. Car Show Awards
1:30 p.m. The Magical World of Jeffrey Jester
2:00 p.m. Crissy Marlatt
3:00 p.m. Class of '57; Hula Hoop Contest
4:00 p.m. Tractor Show Awards

The Barbarian Festival weekend kicks off on Thursday, June 8th with the Barbarian Festival Parade, starting at 6 p.m. through downtown Cross Plains.

Hardin-Simmons Six White Horses will lead the parade, along with Motorcycle stuntman

Bryan Jackson, who will do a stunt show immediately following the parade.

The Cross Plains Senior Center is the perfect spot to watch the parade and enjoy a Fish Fry.

The center will be serving fried fish, French fries, hushpuppies, beans, coleslaw and banana pudding -- all for \$8 adults and \$5 children, from 5 until 7 p.m.

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce is helping sponsor the event. The Fish will be cooked by Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department Firefighters.

Events for Robert E. Howard Days, a celebration of the life of Robert E. Howard, creator of Conan the Barbarian, continue on Friday and Saturday.

Come back out to Treadway Park after the Festival on Saturday for a Dance. Country singer/songwriter Bobby Luster will perform.

The Dance, sponsored by Sparks Insurance and Barr Fabrication, benefits the Turkey Creek Rodeo Club and the Cross Plains 4-H.

Admission is only \$8 adults and \$3 children 9-12 Children 8 and under get in free. Bring your family and a lawn chair. The dance starts at 8 p.m.

Rehab to Sponsor Live Radio Remote for Barbarian Festival

Rising Star Nursing and Rehabilitation is sponsoring a Live Radio Remote at this

year's Barbarian Festival. Saturday June 10, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, KOXE 101.3 FM, the popular radio

station from Brownwood will be broadcasting live from Treadway Park promoting events at the festival and allowing sponsors some free air time to promote their business and the city of Cross Plains.

According to Greg Whitten from Rising Star Nursing and Rehab "We saw this as an excellent opportunity to promote a great event put together by the Festival Committee. We greatly appreciate the support of this community and a radio remote is a fun way to give back to the citizens and businesses of Cross Plains."

For more information on all sponsors, events and scholarships, please log onto barbarianfestival.net

Brownwood Man Killed on Hwy 206 Early Sunday Morning

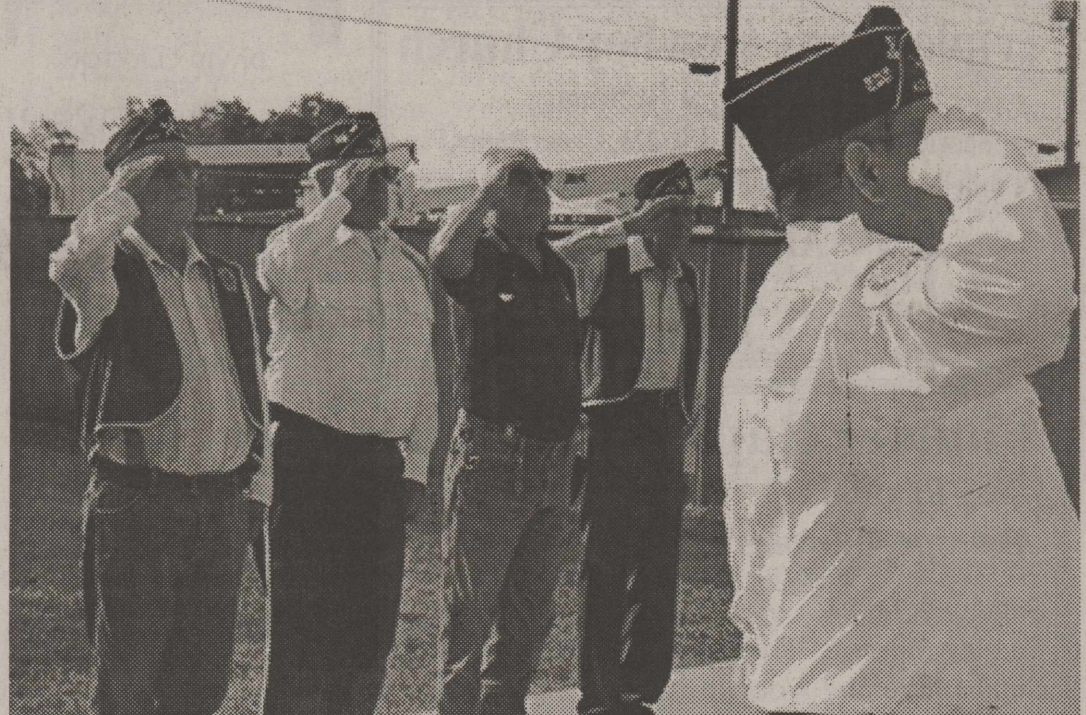
A Brownwood man was killed after he was struck by a vehicle on Highway 206 south of the 4-way stop, early Sunday morning.

Fernando Alvizo, 34, was pronounced deceased at the scene of the crash on SH 206 in Cross Plains just after 5:30 a.m., according to a

press release from the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The press release states Alvizo was standing in the roadway when he was struck by a pickup towing a boat trailer.

The cause of the crash is still under investigation. No other injured resulted from this incident.



Saluting the Flag - Cross Plains Area Veterans salute the flag at the Memorial Day Service at the Veteran's Memorial. Photos from the services and the special Memorial Day Lunch at the Senior Center inside.

Country Singer Songwriter Bobby Luster to Perform at Dance After the Barbarian Festival on Saturday, June 10th

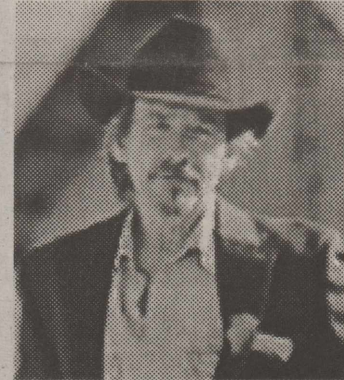
Classic Country Music Singer/Songwriter Bobby Luster will perform at a Dance at Treadway Park after the Barbarian Festival on Saturday, June 10th.

The event, sponsored by Sparks Insurance and Barr Fabrication, will benefit the Turkey Creek Rodeo Club and the Cross Plains 4H.

The family-friendly dance starts at 8 p.m., with the gate opening at 7 p.m.

Admission is only \$8.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 9-12. Children 8 and under are free.

You can bring in a cooler, for a cooler charge of just \$5.00. No glass containers or bottles, please.



Bobby Luster
Bring your family and a lawn chair and prepare for a night of good music, dancing and fun. For more information, contact Terrie Parum at 325-642-9978.

Brisket Dinner Benefit for LaDonna Moenning This Friday, June 2nd

A benefit for LaDonna Moenning will be held on Friday, June 2nd from 5 until 7 p.m., at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. Dine in or take out.

Brisket will be on the menu, along with potato salad, beans, coleslaw, cake, tea and coffee, all for only \$10.

Special desserts will be auctioned and there will be several items available for a silent auction.

Please come out and enjoy great food and fellowship and help LaDonna in her battle with cancer.

If you would like to help prepare or donate food or help in any way, please contact Sharolyn Walker 325-660-8127, Carolyn Morgan 254-



LaDonna Moenning
725-6285, or Connie Kirkham-254-725-6500, 254-725-6318 (Wed-Fri) or 325-665-0154. For more information, contact Sharolyn at 325-660-8127.

Ribbon Cutting at Patsy's on Monday, June 5th

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce to hold a Ribbon Cutting this Monday, June 5th, at Patsy's located at 348 N. Main Street, 12:00 p.m.

Patsy's will be offering a variety of flowers and arrangements, green plants, and gifts: t-shirts & caps, candles, goat's milk soaps and lotions, frames and greeting cards, -- all are products from

Texas entrepreneurs, except the frames and cards. Gift certificates and flower delivery will also be available.

Patsy's wants to extend an invitation to everyone to stop by the shop for their Open House on June 5. Goodies will be served and they want everyone to put their name in a drawing for a \$25 gift certificate.

Library Book Sale on June 3rd

Spend some time browsing through the Cross Plains Public Library Book Sale, Saturday, June 3rd, across from Lawrence Farm & Ranch on Highway 36 between 10:00a.m. - 2:00p.m. Our suggested donation is \$1/bag. Where else can you get so much for only \$1? And those dollars add up to extra revenue for the library to help with our operating expenses.

Looking for something specific? We will do our best to accommodate you. We have fiction, non-fiction, romance, adventure, teen and children's titles and lots more. There are paperbacks, hardcovers, books on tape and CD, and DVDs and VHS movies. We have boxes of Reader's Digest Condensed Books, boxes of Harlequin SuperRomances, and 'Chicken Soup for ANY Soul' just waiting for a new home!! Stop in and visit!

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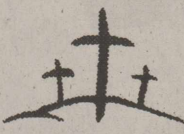
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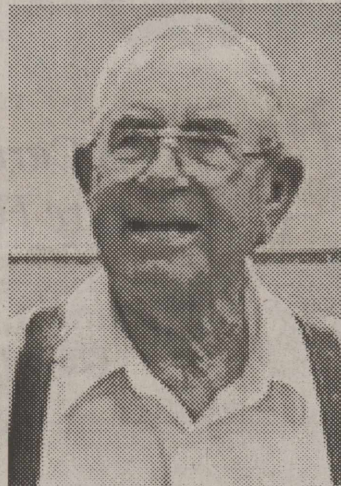
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OBITUARIES



DAVID CLAYTON SELF

David Clayton Self

David Clayton Self, 80, of Clyde died Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at Hendrick Hospice Care in Abilene. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, May 27, 2017 at the Bailey Howard Funeral Home Chapel in Clyde with Rev. Richard Maxwell officiating. Visitation was on Friday from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

David was born August 3, 1936 in Lamesa to Willard (Bill) and Doretha Nichols Self. He attended school in Wylie and then moved to Clyde in 1959. He was married to Mozelle Watkins from 1954-1979. He was married to Regan Richard in Brady on February 15, 1995 till the time of his death. David an entrepreneur "extraordinaire". He started working at age 14 with Mrs. Baird's Bakery and installing microwave radio towers. His other jobs through the years were custom combining, truck driving, working in the oilfield, owner of a concrete company, public storage buildings, and 301 Truck Wash. Up until his death, he owned and operated Joe's Dirt Work and the Pizzeria House in Clyde. His claim to fame was being the 1936 prettiest baby contest winner, which to this day has not yet been confirmed!

David is survived by his wife, Regan Self of Clyde; son, David Sheridan Self and wife Celeste of Eula; two daughters, Lyn Self Thompson of Clyde and Dee

Dee Self Scott and husband Tabb of Clyde; honorary son, Joe Salinas and wife Sherrie of Clyde; brother Richard Self and wife Linda and sister Aleta Dwyer and husband John, all of San Angelo; five grandchildren, Amanda Shelnett and husband Gary, Emily Drake, Sarah Dement, Clayton Zane Self and wife Molly and Seth Scott; three great grandchildren, Avery and Garrison Shelnett and Claire Dement; longtime friend Becky Rogers and numerous other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Marshall Self and a son-in-law, Tommy Thompson.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to Hendrick Hospice Care, www.hendrickhospice.org.

Online condolences may be made at www.baileyhowardfuneralhome.com.



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Death Notice

Larry Dale Carey

Larry Dale Carey, 64, of Abilene, passed away Thursday, May 25, 2017 in Abilene.

Visitation was held Sunday, May 28 from 5 to 7 PM at Higginbotham Funeral Home, Cross Plains, TX.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 29 at 10 AM at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at the Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains.

Lillian (Lillie) Alford

Lillian (Lillie) Alford, 95, of Rising Star, Texas, passed away in Brownwood on Sunday, May 21, 2017.

Funeral services will be held Friday the 26th at 10:00 am at Higginbotham Chapel, Cross Plains, TX, with Jo Lynn Davis officiating. Burial will follow the service at the Amity Cemetery in Brown County, Texas. The family will have a visitation from 6:00 to 7:30 pm, Thursday the 25th at Higginbotham Chapel, Cross Plains, TX.

Stella Merle Reed

Stella Merle Reed, 91, of Rising Star, passed away Saturday, May 20, 2017 in Brownwood.

Visitation will be held Saturday, May 27 from 10:30 to Noon at First Baptist Church, Rising Star, TX. Funeral service will be held Saturday, May 27 at 1:00 PM at First Baptist Church, Rising Star, TX. Burial will follow at Elm Cemetery in Eastland County.


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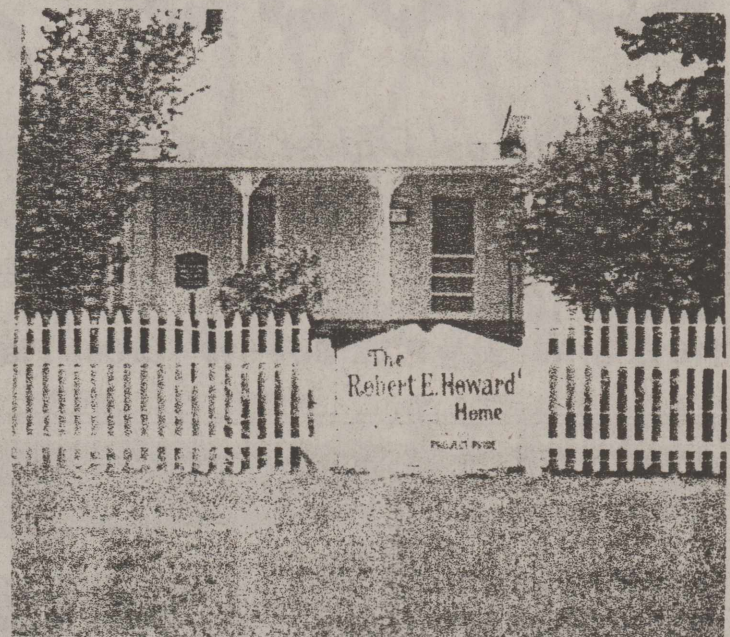
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PROCLAMATION



ROBERT E. HOWARD

WHEREAS, the City Council realizes the impact Robert E. Howard has had on the effects of tourism for our community and,

WHEREAS, we the City Council of the City of Cross Plains wish to dedicate a day to honor and recognize a man for his contribution to our community,

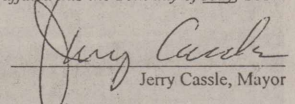
NOW THEREFORE, I Jerry Cassle, Mayor of Cross Plains, Texas do hereby proclaim June 9, 2017, as

ROBERT E. HOWARD DAY

and invite citizens to join in the local commemoration.



In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Cross Plains to be affixed this the 26th day of May, 2017.


 Jerry Cassle, Mayor

"Meet the Author" with Carol Kjar on June 20th

The Cross Plains Public Library will host "Meet the Author" with Carol Kjar, featuring her new book "Scraps of Wisdom: All I Needed to Know I Learned in Quilting Class" at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20th. We will start off the event with a FREE lunch at the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center and then move to the library for a program with Carol. She will answer questions, and autograph copies of her book.

"Scraps of Wisdom" presents twelve quilting rules, hints, and suggestions passed on by a special quilting instructor. Those lucky enough to be her students came away with more than quilting skills because her rules went beyond sewing. Her twelve rules also present life lessons and spiritual instruction,

helping us lead richer lives. Come inside and discover how to cut block pieces accurately, sew them together precisely, and make something beautiful and useful out of fabric. Four simple block patterns are given, along with instructions on how to make them the size you want them to be. Read about the life philosophies that come from quilting and the Bible verses that support them. Quilting is more than a craft. It's a way to face life. - Amazon .com

You must RSVP to the library at 254-725-7722 by June 15th for the free lunch. Reservations are not necessary for the program. Participants may pick up a copy of her book at the library for only \$8. Join us for a fun and educational opportunity!

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A Love Fund for LaDonna Moenning has been established at Texas Heritage Bank

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has been established at Texas Heritage Bank for Michelle (Shields) Parr to help with medical expenses ^{p21}

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Senior Citizens Center Activities

June 5th - June 9th

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Tuesday 6th Exercise 11:00/Game Night 6:00
Wednesday-7th Exercise 11:00
Thursday-8th Exercise 11:00
Friday-9th Exercise 11:00/Bingo with Ray
 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

June 5th - June 9th

Monday 5th-Steak Fingers, Potatoes with Gravy, Carrots, Bread, Dessert
Tuesday 6th -Baked Chicken, Sweet Potatoes, Corn, Bread, Dessert
Wednesday 7th-Chili Cheese Dogs, Tater Tots, Pickle Spear, Fruit, Cookie
Thursday 8th- Chef Salad, lettuce, Tomato, turkeys, Ham, Crackers, Jello, Cookie
Thursday Evening-8pm-5pm
Fish Fry Fundraiser
Friday 9th-BBQ Sausage, Mac/Tomatoes, Coleslaw, Bread, Dessert

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

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

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

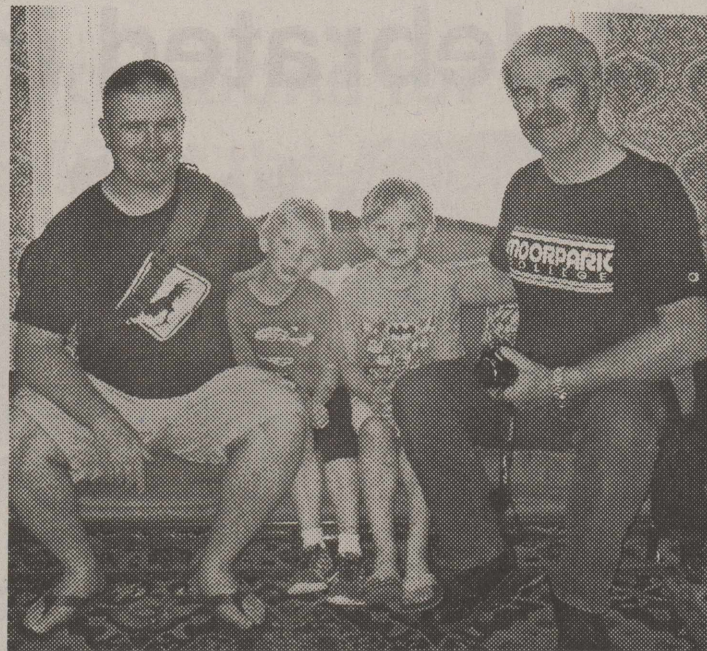
Project Pride announces early plans for the annual Robert E. Howard days to be held on Friday and Saturday, June 9-10 this year. Headquartered at the REH Museum and Pavilion, the event will focus on the recent discoveries of Howard pictures and other new aspects of the total Howard movement. Paul Herman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



Three Generations Visit Howard Museum

Taking advantage of the holiday week-end, the Willingham family from Schertz, TX made Cross Plains and the REH Museum their destination of choice for their "guy outing." The guys included Tracy, his son Troy and twin grandsons, Malachi and Wyatt.

Both of the men had long been fans of Howard's writings and were quite familiar with all of Howard's characters. After serving in the Special

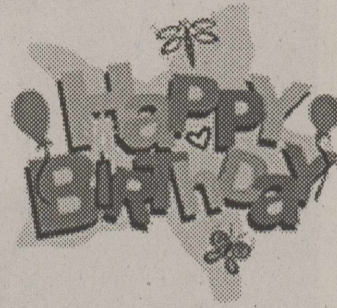
Forces, Tracy continues to work for the government in the technology field, developing informational systems. Troy is currently pursuing a degree in psychology and hopes to work in the military field, treating personnel with mental issues.

As 6 year olds, the boys were more interested in arguing whether the doorstop at the back door was covered with leopard or cheetah fabric!!

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.



June 4

Tommy Lynn Porter
 Tommy Mae Connelly
 Wayland Blair

June 5

Kreede Abigaile Orum
 Sara Weiser
 Noel Ingram
 Eddy Joe McAnally
 Bill Stephens
 Maudie J. Brown
 James Bryan Hutchins
 Russell Steele
 Staci Watson
 Jeri Woodruff
 Eddie Rose III

June 6

Genie Penn
 Mary Callaway
 John M. Lapata
 Michael Gregory
 Greg Rogers
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June 7

Harold Merrill
 Mrs. Billy Wright
 Nan Ree (Elliott) Rice
 Theresa Chesier
 Teresa Newton Glasshoff
 Teresa Kennedy
 Jack Larimore

June 8

Zula Elliott
 Bobby Johnston
 Donna (Erwin) Ames
 Carlie Bludworth
 Fred Smith
 Rolan Bryan
 Matthew Tyler Reed
 Terrell Shane Smith

June 9

Mrs. O.M. Bailey
 Doney Ratliff
 Rita McKee
 Charles Ray Green
 David Adams
 Celeste Taylor
 Charity Renee Waggoner
 Bill Steele
 Nancy Childers
 Addison Pearl Lee
 Jordan Bullock

June 10

Beth Arnold
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Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

By the time the paper comes out and you receive it, we will know if the old signs for rain are right - the bob-whites chiming, crows sounding off and turtles in the middle of the road. These all indicate heavy rain.

The Country Musical is this Friday night the Cottonwood Community Center. They'll be serving Taco salad, sandwiches, chips, desserts, sodas, coffee, and tea in the kitchen from 5-7p.m. The music starts at 5:30 p.m.

Because of the rain, the Burn Ban has been lifted. You can burn and weld, but please be careful. If you are planning a control burn, please call the Sheriff's office before you light the match. Their number: 325-854-1444.

Erik and Christine Woodard,

Joe, Deana and Kathleen Terstegge and Roger Hinkle were among those who worked the 4-way stop on Memorial Day weekend collecting donations for the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department and the EMS.

Joe Terstegge will be one of the Cross Plains VFD firemen that will be frying fish at the Senior Center Fish Fry next Thursday evening. The Fish Fry is a major fundraiser for the center. It starts at 5 p.m. The Barbarian Festival parade starts at 6 p.m. The Senior Center is a great place to watch the parade.

The Cottonwood Baptist Church's garage sale was a success. Proceeds from the sale will help with the church's mission trip to Romania.

Participate in Living Painting at Market at Clyde Saturday, June 10th

Market at Clyde is Saturday June 10, 10AM-4PM. A highlight of Market this month will be a Living Painting. Customers will receive a chance to participate in creating the Living Painting simply by making a purchase. Vendors will have entry slips at their booth and each time a customer makes a purchase they will receive an entry slip. Artist Danni Louw will have two canvases on easels set up along with washable, non toxic acrylic paints. One canvas will be for adults and one for children. Customers that have made a purchase will be invited to add to the painting and their name will go into a drawing to win the painting. At the end of the day the drawing will determine the winner of the painting. The winner will be contacted by phone and need not be present at the time of the drawing. Come participate in this fun event and bring the children. Experience has shown that these Living paintings done

by a community are beautiful and filled with personality and interest.

Market at Clyde is a registered non-profit that encouraged creativity in our local communities as well as offering a market for local artist, artisans and crafters. Everything at Market at Clyde is hand crafted, hand re-purposed or embellished, or home cooked. All home cooks follow the Texas Cottage Food Laws. If you are interested in a space at Market at Clyde please call 325-518-3939 or email themarketatclyde@gmail.com.

In June vendors will have fine art, jams, jellies, baked goods, wood crafts, custom embroidery, soaps, jewelry, home décor, yard art and so much more. Check out the Facebook page, Market at Clyde, Texas. There will be an ad and another article in this paper next week with more details of products to be available.

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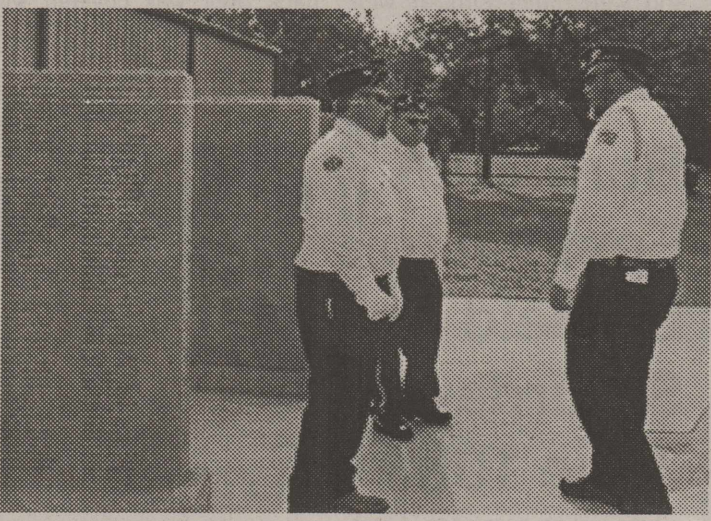
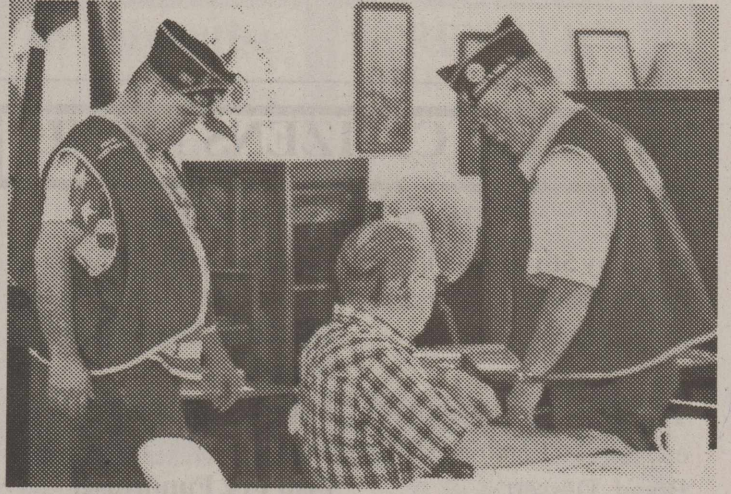
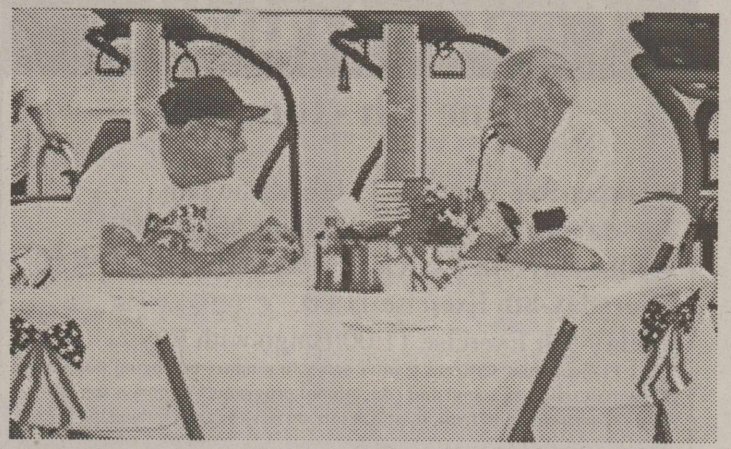
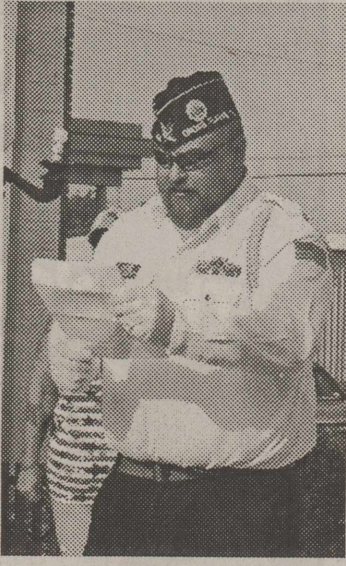
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Cross Plains residents honored those who lost their lives serving our country with two special services for Memorial Day.

First, on Friday, May 26th, Veterans and local citizens came together at the Cross Plains Senior Center to celebrate the holiday and remember those who served. Everyone enjoyed a brisket sandwich lunch. Veterans were served their lunch for free.

On Memorial Day, Monday, May 29th, the American Legion presented a short program at the Cross Plains Area Veteran's Memorial. The flag was lowered for the playing of taps.



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Cross Plains Community Calendar

~ June ~

June 2 - Friday, Benefit for LaDonna Moening, First Baptist Church Family Life Center, 5-7 p.m.

June 8 - Thursday, Barbarian Festival Parade, 6 p.m.; Senior Center Fish Fry, 5-7 p.m., sponsored by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce. Fish cooked by CPVFD Firefighters.

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 10 - Saturday, Dance after the Barbarian Festival, Treadway Park. Country musician Bobby Luster performs. 8 p.m.

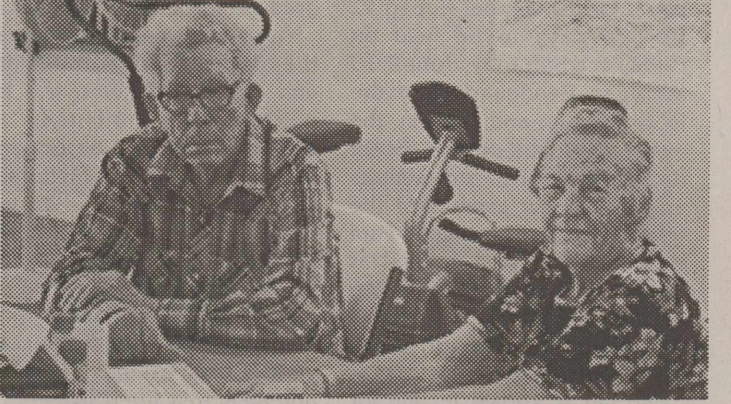
June 18 - Father's Day

June 24 - Saturday, Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Playday

June 25-28 - Vacation Bible School, First Baptist Church, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

~ July ~

July 4 - City of Cross Plains and Chamber of Commerce Fourth of July Celebration at Treadway Park. Bingo, Dunking Booth. Fireworks



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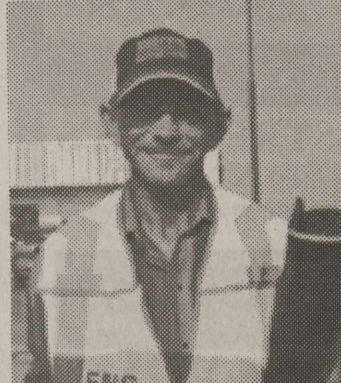
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Cross Plains EMS and Fire Department Personnel, their families and caring citizens stood at the 4-Way Stop over Memorial Day Weekend to collect donations for the EMS and CPVFD. The volunteers braved the heat, some taking two and three shifts at the street corner.



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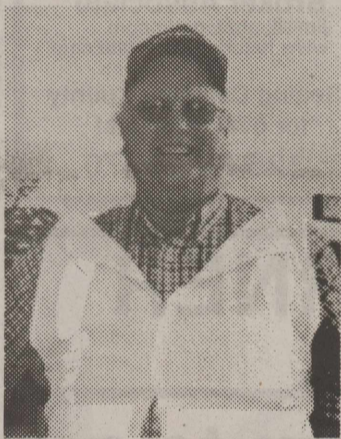
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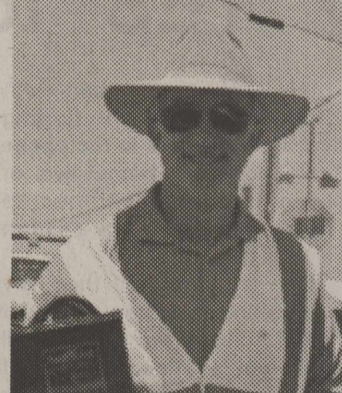
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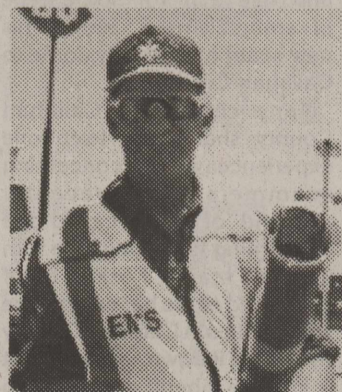
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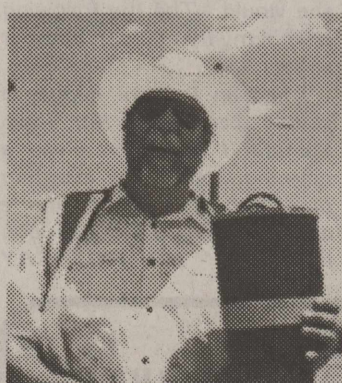
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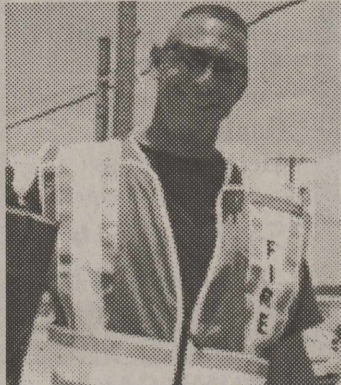
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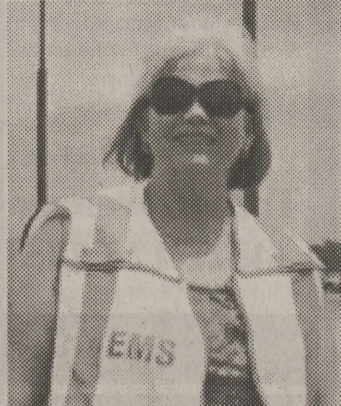
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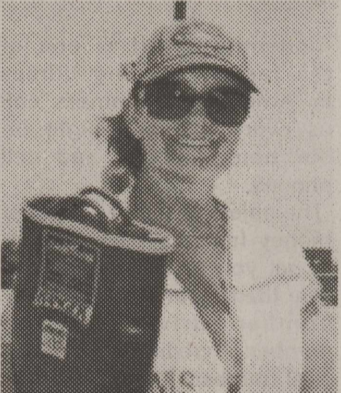
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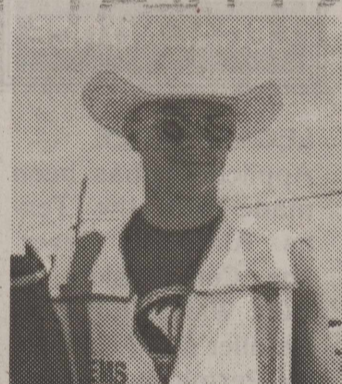
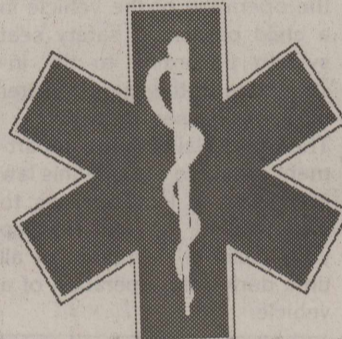
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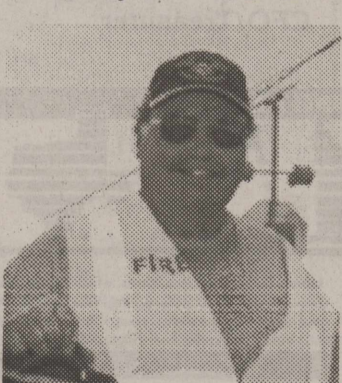
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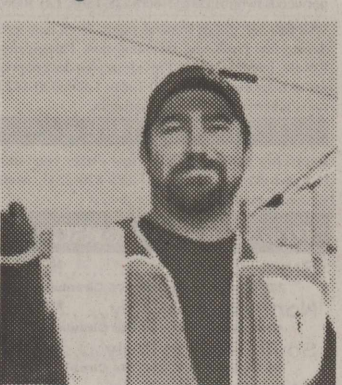
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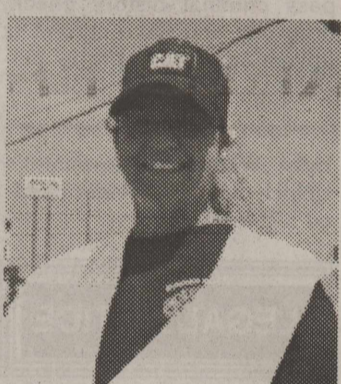
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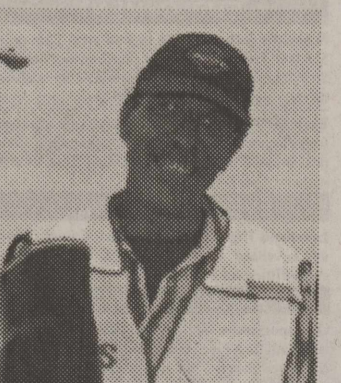
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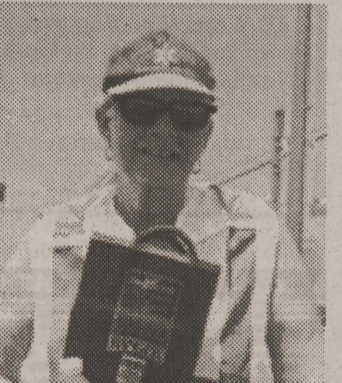
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The object of the call is to get money from us. They will try to get you to send cash or to give them your social security number, driver's license number or credit card or debit card number. They especially prey on older folks, which I am proud to say includes me.

I get scam calls almost everyday. If it is a strange number, I don't tell them anything. If they tell me I have won something (I have been told this many times) I just hang up on them. Just the other day I received a call from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. I didn't recognize the number so I hung up. The caller left a voice mail.

Turns out, the call was from a health nurse representing my insurance company. She just wanted to check on me and see how I was doing. If you do hang up on an important call that you do not recognize, the caller can leave a voice mail and you can call them back as I did. The health nurse completely understood and now I will recognize here number when she calls again. These scam callers are getting

more sophisticated than ever. Somehow they are finding vacant addresses in the phone call recipients hometown or even their neighborhood to make the call look like it's from a local number.

The scammer will then say something like "can you hear me?" to get the phone call recipient to answer YES. If you answer YES, the caller will record you saying yes and use that for some type of embezzlement crime. This new scam has already come to Callahan County.

Many citizens of Callahan County share their telephone experiences with me concerning scammers. Just recently a friend of mine called me concerning her experience with the "yes scam". I asked her if she would share her experience with all of us in Callahan County by writing it down so I could put it in "The Sheriff's Corner" to help inform others of this new scam and what to do. She said she would. The following is what my friend Joan Shrader wrote.

"I had an incident happen a couple weeks ago, that I am thankful I had been given a warning about. The warning was that if I get a phone call and they ask, "Can you hear me?" DO NOT SAY

YES. I got a call one morning with a name and number in Baird that I did not recognize. After 3 rings, I decided to answer. The person said, "This is Allison with the warranty department. Can you hear me?"

I immediately hung up then called the Better Business Bureau in Abilene. They took the name and number and thanked me for calling. Later I decided I needed to report it locally, so I called our Sheriff Terry Joy. He had me write it up and came by to visit and pick up what I reported. Terry, also involved Eric, our Baird City Marshal.

This was a legitimate scam and I thank God that I knew what NOT TO SAY. I appreciated Terry and Eric for following up on this then reporting to me what was reality. Eric told me that 2 or 3 couples in this area had fallen for this scam in the past week. Thank these two men for the job they do. Joan Shrader.

Eric and I really didn't do anything special. We took the report and verified it was a scam. The scammers are usually always out of reach of the law. It was Joan Schrader's knowledge of the new scam and her quick thinking that foiled the scam. That is the reason I wanted to pass this information on to everyone else in Callahan County. Please be alert and prepared and don't be scammed.

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Texas Striped Millipede

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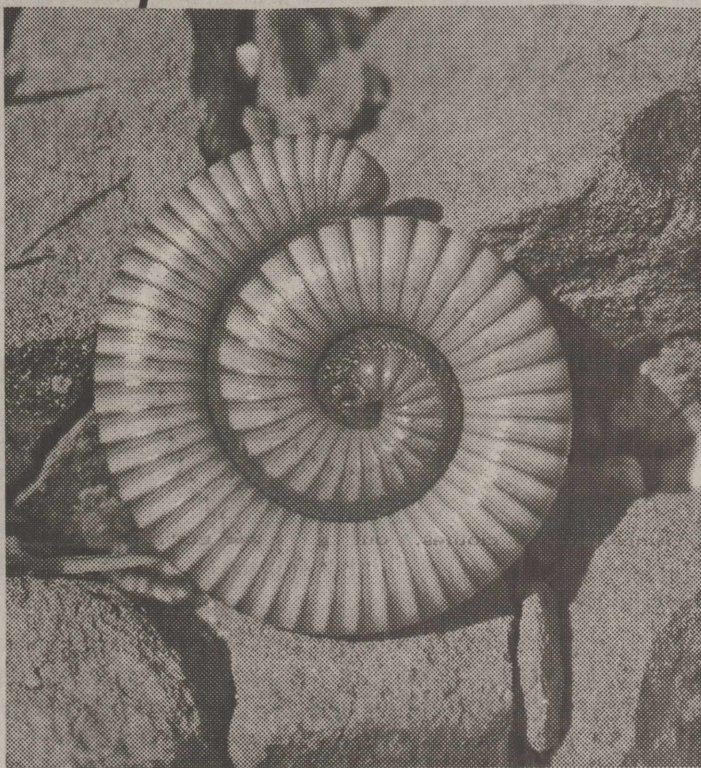
Millipedes belong to a class of arthropods known as Diplopoda and this class, with over 140 families, is the largest class of an arthropod group known as myriapods. In fact, there are an astounding 12,000 recorded species of millipedes that have been described worldwide, and this arthropod class may be observed on every continent other than Antarctica.

In west Texas, the most common variety that is routinely spotted is the Texas Striped Millipede (*Orthoporus ornatus*).

Texas Striped Millipedes, like other species of arthropods, are invertebrates, meaning they do not have a backbone. Instead, their skeletal structure is based on the hard "shell-like" exoskeleton that provides them with a limited amount of protection. Their body is segmented, and each segment has 2 pairs of legs. The common name of millipede can be broken down to mean "1000 legs"; however, since this species of millipede typically has between 30 and 40 body segments (which equals to 120 to 160 legs), this designation is not entirely accurate.

The bodies of millipedes are typically cylindrical, and the average length varies between 1 inch and 5 inches. Background coloration can be red, orange, brown, or even black, while the legs are consistently a reddish coloration.

The head is round and consists of a pair of eyes, a pair of short antennae, and chewing mouthparts. The mouthparts are utilized to feed upon various decomposing plant materials,



Texas Striped Millipede (*Orthoporus ornatus*)

although very rarely they have been known to feed on the putrefying flesh of a road-killed animal.

Texas Striped Millipedes prefer to live in semi-arid to arid habitats of western Texas, including grasslands, creosote flats, sandy deserts, and sparsely vegetated mesas and mountains. They avoid desiccation by spending the majority of the day hidden underneath rocks, fallen logs, or man-made debris piles. During dry weather, they will come to the surface to forage only at night. But during times of rainy conditions, many will be seen crossing urban roads immediately after a substantial rain event.

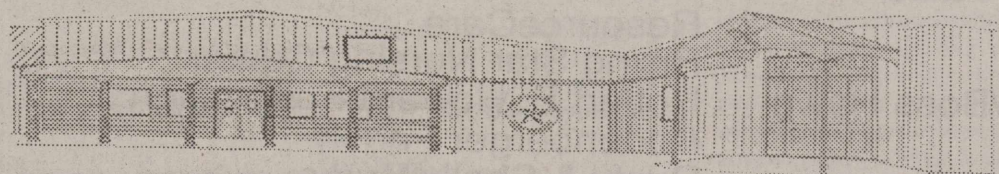
The gait is slow and steady, and this pace makes them vulnerable to predation from birds and mammals. To protect themselves, they will often roll themselves up into a ball, only giving the potential predator exposure to their hard exoskeleton. If that will not deter

whatever they perceive as a threat, they will then subsequently emit a gas that is comprised of tiny doses of cyanide. This gas is quite malodorous, and will often cause a gagging reflex in whatever places this animal in its mouth.

Despite the noxious gas, the Texas Striped Millipede is harmless to humans (unless one were to place several individuals in their mouth - not a good idea!), but they are often confused with the dangerous Giant Centipede. One way to distinguish the 2 from one another are the amount of legs present; Millipedes have 4 legs per body segment, Centipedes have only 2. Millipedes also have a much more relaxed pace, moving slowly in a straight line forward. On the other hand, Centipedes have a tendency to be much more erratic, moving forward, backward, and side-to-side at a much faster pace.

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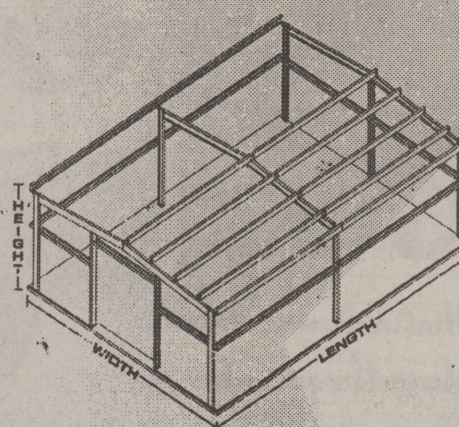
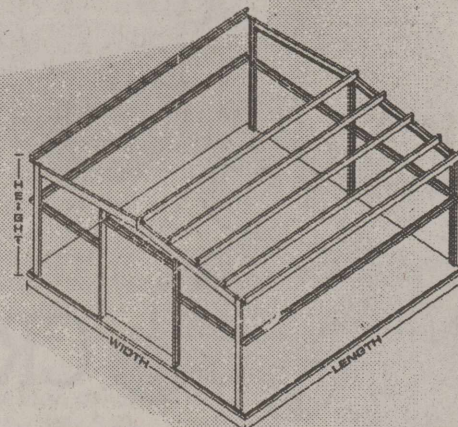
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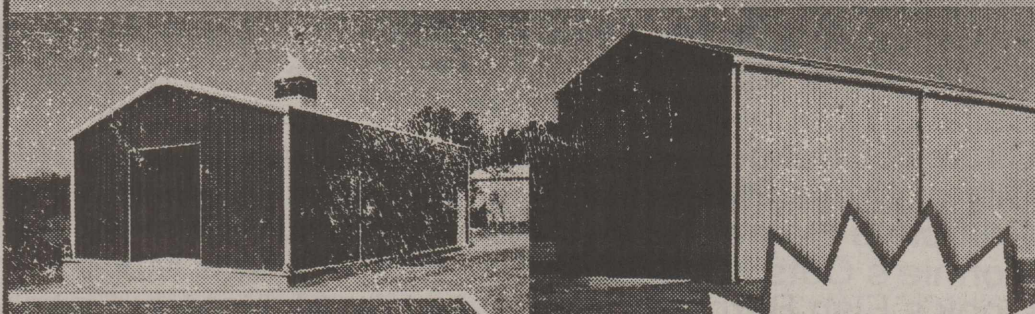
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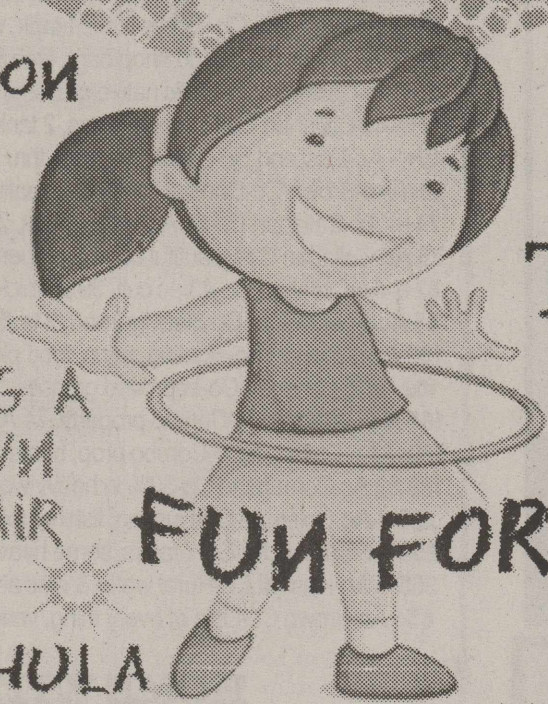
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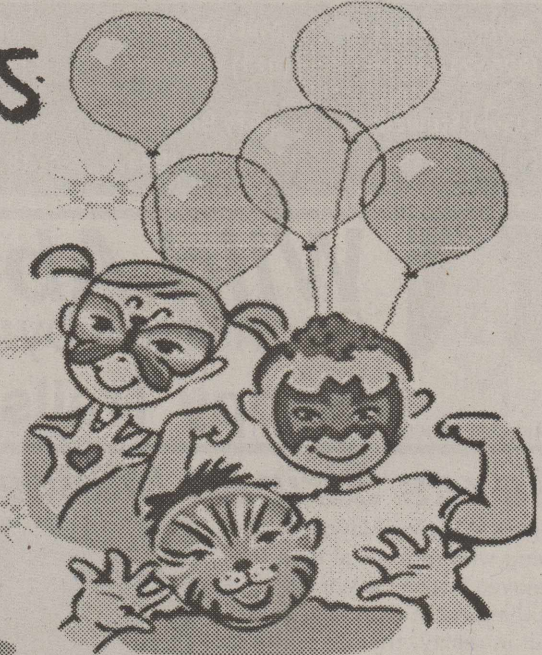
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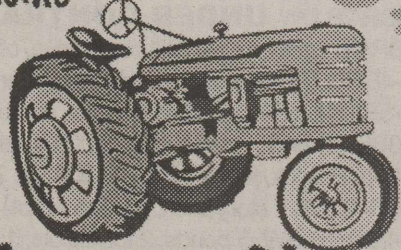
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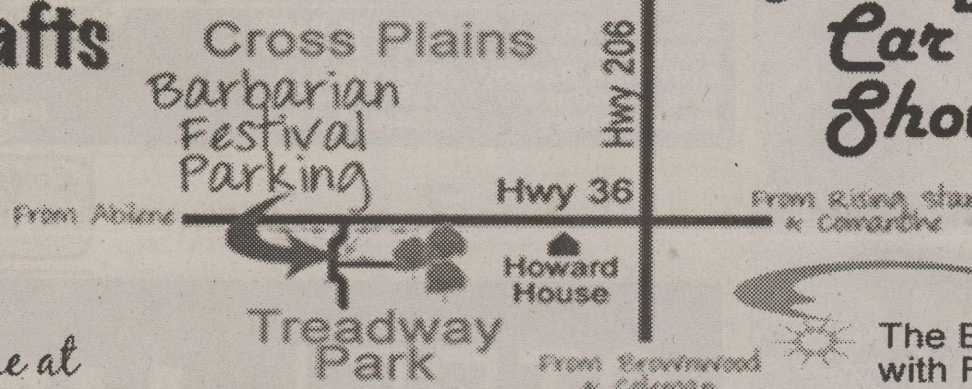
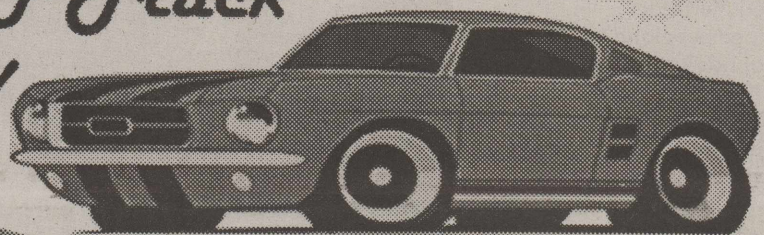
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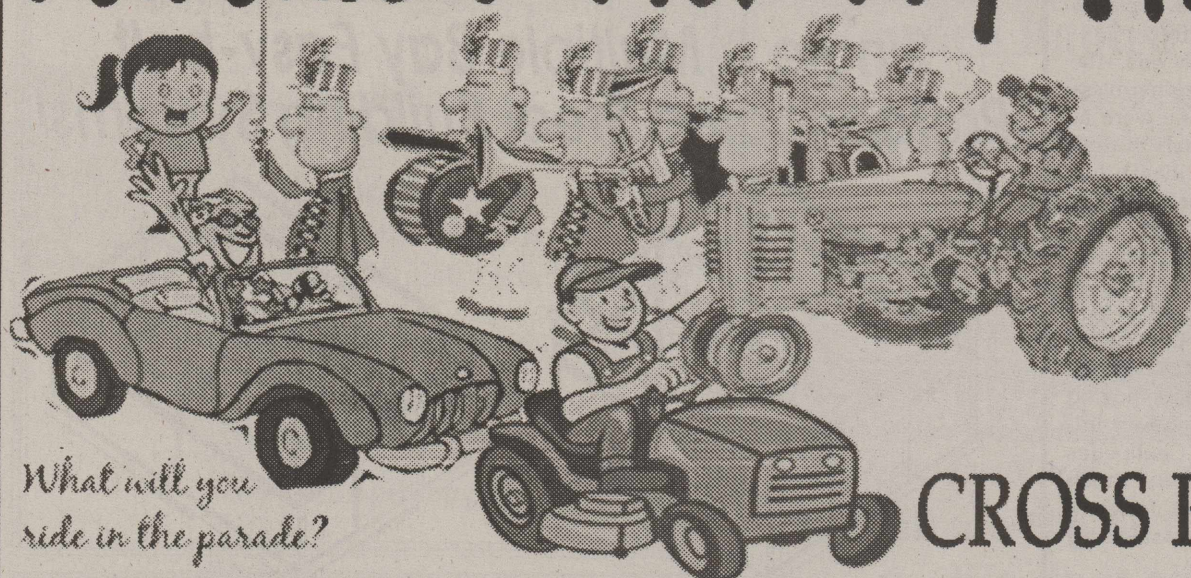
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Callahan County's jobless rate remains at 3.8% in April

The unemployment rate in Callahan County remained steady at 3.8% in April 2017, according to jobless figures released Friday, May 19th by the Texas Workforce Commission. The unemployment rate in Callahan County one year ago in April 2016 was 4.9 percent.

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 3.8% in March, 2017.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County included: 3.8% in March, 3.8% in February, 3.8% in January 2017, 4.15 in December 2016, 3.8% in November, 4.0% in October, 4.4% in September, 4.6% in August, 4.6% in July, 4.7% in June, 3.9% in May, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and the counties' unemployment rates for April 2017 include: Brown, 3.8%; Coleman, 4.6%; Eastland, 5.1%; Jones, 5.7%; Runnels, 4.0%; Shackelford, 3.2%; Stephens, 5.4%; and Taylor County, 3.6%.

The Abilene MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) unemployment rate, which includes Taylor, Callahan and Jones Counties, stood at 3.8% in April, 2017, according to the Texas Workforce Commission. The Abilene MSA Combined Labor Force is 75,256. There were 72,395 employed during April 2017, while 2,861 were unemployed, giving the Abilene MSA an unemployment rate of 3.8%.

The state's unemployment rate for the month of April, 2017 was 4.5 percent. The total Texas labor force was 13,506,742 in April 2017. The total number of Texans employed is 12,895,003. The total number of unemployed Texans was 611,739 in April 2017.

Highlights of the Texas La-

UNEMPLOYMENT

Callahan County Unemployment	Mar.	Apr.
	3.8%	3.8%

bor Force (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.0 percent in April, matching the level in March. The U.S. rate decreased by one-tenth of a percentage point to 4.4 percent.

The state's labor force participation rate increased to a seasonally adjusted 64.1 percent.

Texas' seasonally adjusted LAUS employment was up 29,900 from last month. April was the 97th consecutive monthly LAUS employment increase.

Summarizing the not seasonally adjusted estimates, the Texas unemployment rate decreased by five-tenths of a percentage point to 4.5 percent from March to April. This was only two-tenths of a percentage point higher than the unemployment rate in April 2016. Over the previous five years, the unemployment rate has decreased by an average of three-tenths of a percentage point from March to April.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE STATE

Exxon Chooses Site for Massive Plant

SAN ANTONIO—Exxon Mobil Corp. has chosen a 1,400-acre piece of land just north of Corpus Christi as the site for the world's largest ethane steam cracker plant, a \$9.3 billion project. San Patricio County and

Gregory Portland Independent School District combined \$1.4 billion tax incentive package requires Exxon to create at least 400 permanent jobs and over 15,000 temporary construction jobs over the course of 10 years.

The decision by Exxon and Saudi Arabia Basic Industries Corp. "is a tremendous win for not just San Patricio County, but for the entire state of Texas," said Governor Greg Abbott. Exxon's project executive Rob Tully said that the San Patricio County location's access to rail, deep water facilities, the local workforce and the proximity to raw materials were the driving reasons behind their decision. The plant will use high heat and pressure to turn natural gas into 1.8 million metric tons of plastics a year.

Data Center Could be One of the Largest in North Texas

DALLAS, TX—A huge new data center planned for Allen will be a 1.4 million-square-foot high-tech complex to be built in three phases on the west side of U.S. Highway 75. The 66-acre project will be the third largest data center built in Allen. The two-story data center building campus would include almost 500 parking spaces.

All together the buildings would be even larger than Facebook's more than \$1-billion data center under construction in North Fort Worth. CyrusOne announced it is moving its headquarters from

Carrollton to Dallas' Uptown district.

A recent boom in building has pushed Dallas-Fort Worth to the second largest data center market in the United States. Almost a dozen new D-FW data center projects are scheduled to come on line this year, according to Real Estate company CBRE.

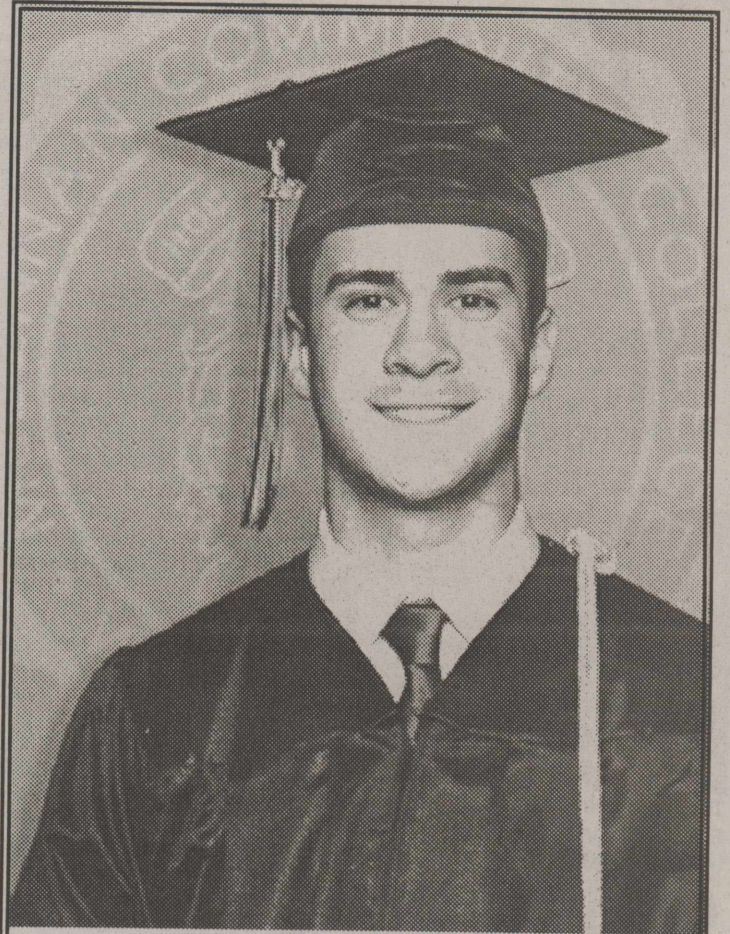
Job Losses

Call Center Closing
Waco Tribune-Herald
WACO, TX—General Dynamics will close a call center in Waco on May 31, eliminating 840 jobs, the company confirmed. General Dynamics released a statement saying, "As of May 31, we will cease contact center operations performed in support of our customer in Waco, Texas. We regret that the closure of this facility will impact employees, their families, and the community at large."

"That is certainly disappointing. That is a blow because those are the kind of jobs we're trying to attract through our Prosper Waco initiative," Waco Mayor Kyle Deaver said. General Dynamics did not provide information about the hourly rate it pays its staffers. But when the center opened in 2013, it indicated its pay likely would average \$12 an hour.

Retailer Closes Stores Across the Nation

AUSTIN, TX—Gander Mountain, the outdoor goods retailer, has announced it will close 32 of its 162 locations. More than 1,200 employees will be impacted nationally. The company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in March. Texas stores closing include in Houston, Killeen, Laredo, Lubbock, Round Rock, San Antonio, Sugar Land, Texarkana, Waco and West Houston.



Joe Holland II

Joe Holland II of Cross Plains graduated with an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree in Physical Therapy Assistant at McLennan Community College 51st commencement ceremony held May 16th, 2017.

Joe graduated with High Honors and plans to further his education in the medical field with his ultimate goal being obtaining a doctorate degree in physical therapy (DPT).

After graduation Holland plans to work in Waco, Texas as a Physical Therapy Assistant.

Joe is a 2013 graduate of Cross Plains HS and is the son of Joe & Susan Holland of Cross Plains.

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ACROSS

- Gulf crustacean
- assistant to a senior military officer
- bright star that slowly fades
- an ___ smasher was never finished near Waxahachie
- this holiday was a dentist in Dallas and Fort Griffin, TX
- TXism: "sack" (burlap bag)
- Sen. Al D' lost 1993 Super Bowl bet to Sen. Phil Gramm
- TXism: "dancing like a bobber"
- TX saying: "___ just fact"
- stinging hair plants
- stir up
- online service for freelance jobs
- wicked
- TX Viki Carr 1988 album "Hombes"
- TX Ginger Rogers' "Fifth ___ Girl"
- Cinco de Mayo is "fifth ___"
- tiny amount
- what a husband wants (3 wds.)
- unofficial capital of Austin's colony in 1824
- TX ___ Perot
- Waco's ___ Texas Fair & Rodeo
- TXism: "___ every trick in the book"
- poker stake
- Austin event from 1976 to 2007: "Spam"
- TXism: "she don't ___ enough to stoke a sparrow" (skinny)
- this Guerrero was 1st woman on the Texas Railroad Commission
- TXism: "scared ___"
- common Japanese name
- UT advanced bus. degree
- slippery Gulf fish
- TXism for "no" (4 wds.)
- "One ___ Ranger"
- supporter of a particular cause
- TX Simone Biles won 2016 bronze on balance
- TX Kenny sang "___ Can Make It on My Own"
- Waco's ___ 1986 country hit Rodeo
- this Studi was in 2003 film "The Lone Ranger"
- a cuckoo bird
- TXism: "put your ___ your mouth is"
- what kids learn in kindergarten
- TX ZZ Top, e.g.
- state grass of TX: side ___ grama
- a large TX conglomerate (1961-2000)
- large American conglomerate
- movie studio started in 1919 (abbr.)
- TX Audie Murphy's beginning rank in WWII (abbr.)
- TX-filmed "Pee ___ Big Adventure"
- TXism: "___ shuck" (left quickly)
- states an opinion on U.S. 190
- in early TX, folks would "___ posse" to go after lawbreakers
- TXism "___ bien" (good)
- boot width
- "and ___ forth"
- TXism for "leave it alone" (3 wds.)
- TXism: "got ___ a mind to"
- baby horse



Team Picture of Callahan County Team during the Fun Shoot. They are left to right: Morgan Fulgham, Emily Fulgham, Maddie Collins, Katie Saunders, and Abby Bisbee. Not pictured but participating in the Fun Shoot are P.J. Saunders, Jaden Shank and Jayden Hammond.

Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports celebrates 22nd Annual Fun Shoot

The 2017 Callahan County Fun Shoot was hosted by the Rifle and Pistol Club on May 20th. The predicted rain and wind did not deter 94 4-H'ers from making the shooting range their Saturday destination. The weather was beautiful and there were numerous relatives, friends and others watching the kids and events of the day. The concession stand was busy all day.

The 4-H'ers had their choice of participation in 4 events which included: 22 Rifle Silhouette

Light Rifle; 3-position 22 Rifle, Sporter Air Rifle; Air Pistol Silhouette, Air Rifle Silhouette; 10 Meter Air Pistol; BB Gun; Black Powder Rifle Silhouette; Black Powder Golf Ball, Charcoal Briquettes, Clay Pigeons; and Black Powder Pistol Silhouette. We had an event or several events that would appeal to all who entered. In the Light Rifle 22 event, there were over 20 4-H'ers entered in that popular event.

All our adjoining counties participated in the Fun Shoot.

Counties from as far away as Fall, Tom Green, Ector, Midland, Milam and Williamson also sent 4-H'ers. Everyone enjoyed the range facilities, beautiful weather and the competition.

We will be hosting the Texas High School Rodeo Association on Saturday, June 3rd 2017 at our range. Participants can qualify for the National Finals in Shotgun, or 3-Position 22 Rifle. The Finals will be in Gillette, Wyoming July 17th - July 23rd 2017.

First Sunday in June Singing at Amity Cemetery

Amity Cemetery, in the northwest corner of Comanche County, will host the annual First Sunday in June Singing and Cemetery Decoration Day, this Sunday, June 4th.

Weekend activities include: Cemetery working and Church cleaning will begin Saturday, June 3rd, at 8 am. Ride your broom over and bring your cleaning materials to the church. You are requested to fill your family plots and graves (We have dirt. Bring your own wheelbarrow and shovel.), replace faded flowers, and attack any fireants and mesquites.

Sunday activities begin at 11 am with a short service, followed by a pot luck dinner and visitation under the oak trees at noon (bring your own chairs, card tables and chigger spray), and will conclude with family histories and singing. If you have any questions or are lost, call Cindy at 325.647.9599. Hope to have all of our community families represented this year!

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Reservations Due for Howard Dinner

The annual Robert E. Howard Days are upon us and reservations for the Friday celebration are due by June 2. The Staghorn will be catering the dinner with their ever popular chicken fried steaks and they time to order the meat for the Friday, June 9 dinner.

Dinners are \$15.00 each; reservations may be made at the Cross Plains Public Library, City Hall, the Texas Heritage Bank, by mailing a check to Project Pride, PO Box 534 or via PayPal at projpride@yahoo.com

Officially starting Friday morning, there will be two full days of immersion in all things Howard. However visitors from around the world will be arriving in our fair city earlier

in the week. More and more folks are arriving on Wednesday or Thursday each year so they can experience our Barbarian Festival and fish fry on Thursday evening. Coming from large cities like Washington DC and Tokushima Japan, they just love the friendly atmosphere that so abounds in Cross Plains.

A complete schedule of activities for the two day event may be found in the ad elsewhere in the paper.

Remember to make your dinner reservations by June 2, so you can enjoy the food and fellowship with folks from France, Japan and from every corner of the USA.

For more information, please contact Arlene, 725-4993 or Era Lee at 725-6562.

Buffalo Basketball Camp 2017

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Contact Information:

Dade Cosby; phone: (325)340-0239, email: dcoscby@cplains.esc14.net or

Mykia Anderson; phone: (325)665-0838 email: manderson@cplains.esc14.net



Eddie Hart explains to everyone the rules of the match at the Callahan County Fun Shoot!



Crowd moving in closer to watch the contestants at the Callahan County Fun Shoot!

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Cross Plains EMS Barbarian Festival Parade and Fish Fry Thursday, June 8th

The Cross Plains EMS would like to thank the community for all their support and donations this last weekend for the Memorial Day fundraiser. The Cross Plains EMS has had some big changes the last few months. First one of our blood pressure monitors quit working so we had to buy a new one that cost the service \$3,500 to keep both trucks running the best they could. Then shortly after that the engine on Unit 148 quit running. It was taken to the shop to be repaired and after seeing what needed to be done, the recommendation from several different mechanics and based on the age and condition of the unit it was decided that replacing the unit would save money in the long run. So we began searching for a new truck. We have found a replacement and are having our old box mounted on the new chassis to save some

expense, still the new truck will cost in excess of \$60,000. So our service has taken quite a financial hit the last few months. We decided the expense of the new truck was well worth it because we cannot service this area adequately with just 1 unit, when the closest service is at least 40 miles away. The donations from this last weekend will greatly help with the cost of the new unit. The EMS is always needing new attendants so if you are interested in joining our service or if you didn't get a chance to donate this last weekend and would like to donate specifically to the EMS please call Susan Schaefer at (254)725-6747 or (325)665-3553. If you want to donate specifically to the Fire Department contact Ricky Carouth at (325)660-3207. Thank you for your ongoing support!

In a little less than one month, folks will gather in Cross Plains for the Barbarian Festival on June 10th and Robert E. Howard Days on June 9th and 10th.

The events kickoff with the Barbarian Festival Parade through downtown on Thursday, June 8th. The parade starts at 6 p.m.

You can be a part of the parade. Bring your truck, trailer, tractor, float, 4-wheeler, bicycle, lawnmower, horse -- or whatever you'd like to ride

or drive in the parade. Get more information from Parade Chairman Terrie Parum at Junkin Daze at 254-725-4010.

The evening of the parade, the Cross Plains Senior Center will hold its Annual Fish Fry from 5 until 7 p.m. Come by the Senior Center for dinner and enjoy watching the parade!

The Fish Fry is sponsored by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce. The fish at the Fish Fry will be cooked by the Cross Plains VFD Firefighters.

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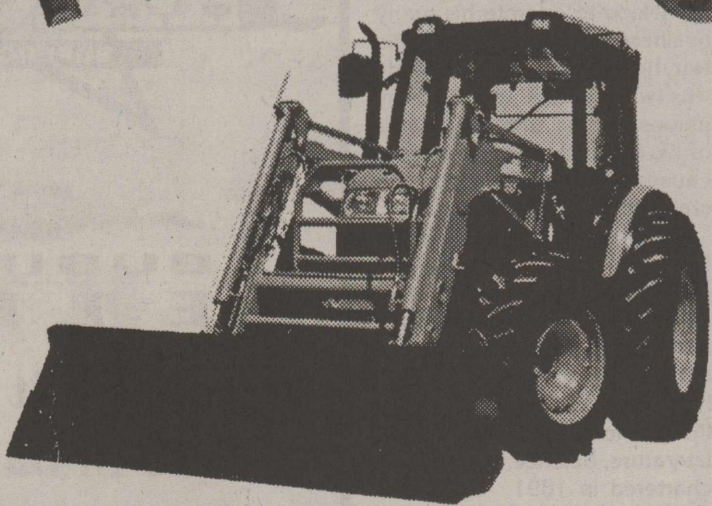
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Callahan County Library news

New to the library is Ransom Riggs' *Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children* series, *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children*, *Hollow City* and *Library of Souls*.

From the Past Callahan County Clarendon Saturday August 12, 1882, Vol. III, No. 19

Letter from Battle Creek Battle Creek, Tex., Aug. 7, '82 (continued)

We can now boast of as fine health-giving mineral water in Callahan county as can be found in the State. We have tried it and found it strongly impregnated with mineral. It is a genuine chalybeate well affording an abundance of nature's own health-giving tonic. It has the same mineral properties as the mineral wells of Pilo Pinto county with the exception of magnesia and salts; both of which it possesses but not so much as the mineral wells of Palo Pinto. The same chemist analyzed both wells. This well is the property of Mr. E. H. Tabor, one of Bremen's merchants, and is situated in rear of his store. Several persons of this county have been using the water and found that their health has improved from it. Mr. Tabor makes no charges for the use of this water but gives it to all who wish

to try its health-giving properties, and only wishes that it may be the means of restoring them to health. We have no need of nauseous drugs to restore our health as long as we are in reach of Tabor's chalybeate well. All that is now needed to make Bremen a general watering place is for some good hotel man to put up a nice hotel for the accommodation of visitors. Bremen has pleasant surrounding and a pretty place for a nice town, and the mineral well is just in the center of the town lots, about 50 or 75 yards from the depot. We cordially invite all those suffering from disease to come and try this water; it does not cost anything, you save Doctor's bills and trouble of taking the nauseating drug. On and after October 1st the name of our post office will be changed to Putnam, the railroad has already changed the name of the station to Putnam. More again soon. Lex Loci.

County Court

The following are the proceedings in the county court, August term, Callahan county. The state vs. H. L. Helton - aggravated assault, dismissed. The state vs Rance Tillus - malicious mischief, verdict of jury guilty and fine assessed at \$10.

What could be bugging you, pets, and livestock?

I went over to the Callahan Shooting Sports Archery Range to look at the 3D course to see what needs to be done for the upcoming event in May and June. After my observation, I went back to the office to get ready for mohair judging practice. As I set at my desk, I noticed something crawling on my pants leg. It was a tick that I picked up at the Archery Range.

With the mild winter and wet conditions we had this last winter, I figure ticks and fleas could be an issue for homeowners, farmers, and ranchers this year. In February, we had to check tattoos on my daughter show heifers. While checking the ears, we noticed something further down in the ears. Two of the ten heifers had ticks in their ears. These heifers have been in the barn this whole time and are not in the pasture grazing. I believe farmers and ranchers should make a point to check their livestock for ticks. There are several ways to control ticks on livestock with pour on products, spraying,

and ear tags. These products you can pick up at local vet and also your local feed store.

I highly recommend checking for ticks and fleas on your cats and dogs throughout this spring and summer. Keeping your yard manicured will help in the control of the parasites. Dense ground cover aids in the protection of the parasites. You may want to treat your yards with products that help in the control. Several products are available at your local feed stores or nurseries. Products that have the active ingredient of Permethrin (Martins Permethrin 10%, Permethrin SFR) and Bifenthrin (Hi-Yield Bug Blaster, Over-n-Out, Bayer Advance) are excellent control of ticks and fleas. These products also help in other control of other insects such as aphids, fire ants, and mites. When using these products, always make a point to read the label and go by the label.

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"Unbroken" Book-to-Movie Event June

If you reading "Unbroken" by Laura Hillenbrand - the TRUE STORY of Louis Zamperini - for our Book-to-Movie event, don't forget that we are serving dinner at the Senior Citizens Center on Thursday, June 1st at 5:30p.m. This is event is FREE, including the books thanks to a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services

and the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. We are pulling our chicken cordon bleu, baby roasted potatoes and green beans almonidine out of the freezer (left from our "Puttin' On the Ritz" brunch) then we will view the movie followed by a discussion of the two media.

Clothes Closet Open Saturday; Not Taking Donations at This Time

Stop by the Clothes Closet this Saturday from 9 - 11 a.m. and shop for kids summer clothing, as well as ladies and men's clothing. The clothing is free. Everyone is welcome.

The Clothes Closet is also carrying small kitchen appliances and other household items, too.

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Plans being finalized for Robert E. Howard Days

Project Pride members are busy putting the final touches on all the myriad of details for the June 9-10 REH Days. Sixty people have already registered with about 140 expected to attend the two days of total immersion into all things Howard. This year's panel discussions and seminars will focus on the more recent discoveries made related to Howard's life and writings.

Paul Herman of Richmond TX has been named Guest of Honor for the event and, as such, will lead one panel and participate in others. The first panel on Friday will feature Herman as he shares the story of the Original Howard Detective (Glenn Lord) and how he assembled the world's number one collection of Howard typescripts, pulps and memorabilia.

On Saturday, Herman will be joined by Rusty Burke (D.C.) and Patrice Louinet (France) as they discuss all the photos of Howard that have been discovered in the past 12 years. For a long time there were only 29 pictures to work with, but good detective work has provided the movement with many more photos from the life and times of Howard.

Speaking at the Celebration Banquet on Friday evening, Herman will discuss his own "Mildly Adventurous Life" as it relates to his own detective

work in the world of REH. Paul's bio can be found in a separate article and it sounds anything but MILDLY adventurous.

Another panel on Friday will find four regular attendees discussing what is necessary for a solid core collection on Howard's works. Jeff Shanks from FL, Lee Breakiron from NJ, Patrice from France and Bobby Derie from TX have all been coming to this annual event for years.

Bob and Rob Roehm, the father-son team of detectives from CA will share the travels they've made in the name of Howard history, genealogy and minutia. Todd Vick, a Lone Texan, will join this discussion.

The first Glenn Lord Symposium was held last year to give scholars the opportunity to present their papers on Howard studies. It's pretty amazing to see so many college and university professors doing all this analytical research into the literary output of a Cross Plains resident who died 81 years ago. And it's even more amazing to know that Patrice Louinet from France and Dierk Gunther from Japan are in a friendly competition to see who can complete their Doctorate in Howard Studies first.

It was bound to happen sooner or later.....the gaming industry and dedicated Howard resource consultants have

teamed up to develop the truly authentic and accurate Conan Board Game and the Conan Role-playing Game. These two games will be presented at the Public Library on both Fri. and Sat. afternoons.

All the regular activities for Howard Days are on tap..... The tours of the Museum and around town, the postal cancellation on Friday, the Celebration Banquet and Silent Auction on Friday and the boxing stories behind the old Ice House on Friday night. One of the more popular late night activities has been the poetry throw down on the front porch of the Howard House. Last year, multi-talented folks lined up to recite verses of Howard's best known poem, "Cimmeria" in French, German, Japanese, Spanish, Italian and English. Will be interesting to see what languages are represented this year.

The fifteen dollar tickets for the Friday night dinner at the community center will be available later. Staghom will again be catering the meal with their very popular chicken fried steaks.

Hope you will put this awesome event on your calendars and make an effort to meet some of these folks who come from around the world to spend a few days in our little community.

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Murder mystery behind the creation of Rice University

It was a dark night in New York City in 1900. The old man slept in his bed alone. A vast fortune lay at his command. A shadowy figure approached. And the old man would never awake again. With the death of William Marsh Rice, a murder mystery exploded. This mystery was at the heart of the birth of one of the most prestigious institutions of higher education in Texas, Rice University.

Rice was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1816. An enterprising and ambitious young man, he was anxious to get a start in the business world. He quit school at the age of 15 and picked up a job as a store clerk. In 1837, by the age of 21, he bought out the store and planned for higher fortunes. He saw the untapped potential of Texas and staked everything on his success in the young republic.

In 1838, he packed up his store and sailed to Texas. A shipwreck destroyed his belongings, and he arrived in Houston penniless. He scrambled to rebuild, working as a clerk, running a bar, and eventually working with local investors to start a new dry goods business. Business was brisk, and his fortunes soared. He invested in cotton and real estate, coming to own a hotel and other properties in Houston as well as a stakeholder in railroads and an insurance company. He started a successful business that brought ice from Boston to Houston in the summers. By the eve of the Civil War, he was one of the richest men in Texas.

During the Civil War, he turned his own stately home into a Confederate hospital and went to Mexico to operate his many business interests. After the war, he moved to New York. He was twice married, both stormy unions ending with the deaths of his wives, both from natural causes. He had no known children.

Rice had initially decided to leave the bulk of his estate to create an orphanage but by 1887 changed his mind to create a university in Houston, to give back to the city that had made his fortune. The William M. Rice Institute for the Advancement of Literature, Science, and Art was chartered in 1891. Rice's will made it clear that the institute would be endowed with the bulk of his \$4 million estate (worth more than \$117 million in 2017 dollars).

Rice's second wife, Julia Baldwin, died in 1896 in a Wisconsin asylum. Several Houston lawyers tried to sort out her compli-

cated estate. One of the lawyers working on the case, Albert T. Patrick, learned of Rice's fortune and lack of heirs. Consumed by greed, he became obsessed over how to possess the money himself. Patrick attempted to trick him into changing his will, but an enraged Rice refused. While a handful of relatives would receive gifts, the university was the primary beneficiary. Nevertheless, Patrick arranged to meet with Rice a number of times in 1900.

On the night of September 23, Rice died in his apartment. His butler, Charles Jones, sent a telegram the next day to one of Rice's executors in Texas, James Baker, stating that Rice had died of old age under the care of a physician and the funeral was that day. Patrick claimed that a new will had made him primary beneficiary and attempted to cash a \$25,000 check supposedly signed by Rice. The bank teller, however, noticed several errors, and the check was withheld. It quickly became clear that the check was forged.

Police began investigating the matter, and the conspiracy fell apart within days. Jones turned state's evidence and confessed that he and Patrick had conspired to kill Rice with chloroform to make it look like he had died in his sleep. Patrick

had put together a forged will to make himself the heir to Rice's fortune. The case of the butler, the crooked lawyer, and the widower's fortune rocked New York City. Patrick was found guilty and sentenced to death in 1901, but his sentence was later commuted. He was released from prison in 1912 before dying in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1940. Jones, the butler who really had done it, escaped imprisonment but could never escape his conscience. As the reputation of his employer's namesake university grew, it gnawed on Jones. He committed suicide in Baytown in 1954.

In 1930, trustees buried Rice's ashes under a statue of him on the university campus.

Today, Rice University has more than 6,700 undergraduate and graduate students on a 300-acre campus in Houston. Dozens of fields of study are available for students. Professors and \$140 million each year conducting research and experiments at the cutting edge of science and technology. And, of course, the university also includes courses in criminology.

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Snacks and beverage provided. Dinner is potluck. Only \$5 admission. Everyone



55 and older is invited to come and have a good time!

Barbarian Festival Booths Available Now

The 19th Annual Barbarian Festival will be held on Saturday, June 10th under the shade trees at Treadway Park in Cross Plains. This year's festival features live music, arts & crafts booths, games, rides, food, beverages, antique and classic car and truck show, tractor show, inflatable bounce obstacle course and lots of family fun!

You can be a part of the Barbarian Festival. Booths are available for \$50.00 for an approximately 12'x12' space --- or only \$35.00, if you register early, and have your registration forms and check or money order received by May 15! Early registration extended through May 30th.

You can sell arts & crafts,

trinkets and other items, take donations for your organization, bring rides and games, sell food, beverages, snocones, etc. Come out and join in the fun!

Sign up now and reserve your place at the Barbarian Festival! Get more information on booth space by calling Diana Miller at 254-725-9418. Get the Vendor Registration form on line and all the details on line at the Barbarian Festival's website barbarianfestival.net .

The Barbarian Festival, now in its 19th year, is held the second Saturday in June in conjunction with Robert Howard Days, a celebration of Robert Howard, creator of Conan the Barbarian. Howard lived most of this life in Cross Plains.

Scranton Musical June 3rd

The musical will be held Saturday, June 3, 2017 at the Scranton Community Center. The kitchen begins serving at 5:00 and the music starts at 5:30.

Joanie Shrader of Baird will be the hostess. She is preparing a Summer Salad plate to include a pasta salad with grilled chicken, pimento cheese, marinated vegetable salad, crackers and your drink is included for \$5.00. Homemade pies are available for \$1.00 a slice. She will be helped by others that are interested in the community. Buddy and Ruby Johnson of Cisco will be the emcees and always have a full line up of people to play for your enjoyment.

The building developed some leaks so we are facing expensive repairs. Any donations toward this will be appreciated. Maybe you think the meal is worth more than \$5.00 and choose to give extra. More discussion of the repairs will be talked about by people interested in the community. It looks like it will cost \$5,000.00 to repair the roof. Thank you for your consideration. Any checks should be made out to Scranton Community Center with "roof repair" put in the memo.

Happy 7th Birthday Kylie Broadus

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Robert E. Howard Days June 9-10, 2017

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Fri: 3:30 --- 2016 REH Foundation Awards

Sat: 11:00 --- "Interview with Paul Herman"
Sat: 1:30 --- "Pictures of Howard"
Sat: 2:30 --- "Glenn Lord REH Symposium"

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TxDOT's 1918 Liberty Truck displayed at I-20 rest area in Callahan County last week

ABILENE - The Texas Department of Transportation turned 100 years in April, and to commemorate the centennial a special traveling exhibit will be visiting various locations in the Abilene District in May. The centennial events highlight the agency's ongoing mission of connecting Texans to what matters most - the people and places they love.

To commemorate this 100-year milestone, TxDOT invites the public to visit its centennial website. The public also is invited to "Track the Truck" and join in the celebration as a refurbished, 27-foot-long 1918 Liberty Truck makes its way across the state as part of a traveling exhibit that tells the district-by-district story of the agency's 100-year history. Along with the truck, the exhibit will feature historical photos and a visual timeline highlighting significant dates and achievements.

The truck was one of almost 1,500 that the federal government gave to Texas for the then-new Highway Department. This is the only remaining one in our fleet. It is currently touring all 25 TxDOT Districts, and will be going on semi-permanent display at the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum this fall.

"Our traveling centennial exhibit affords us a great opportunity to thank the public and share a uniquely historical perspective of how our roadways have evolved from their early beginnings into the expansive network we know today," says TxDOT Executive Director James Bass.

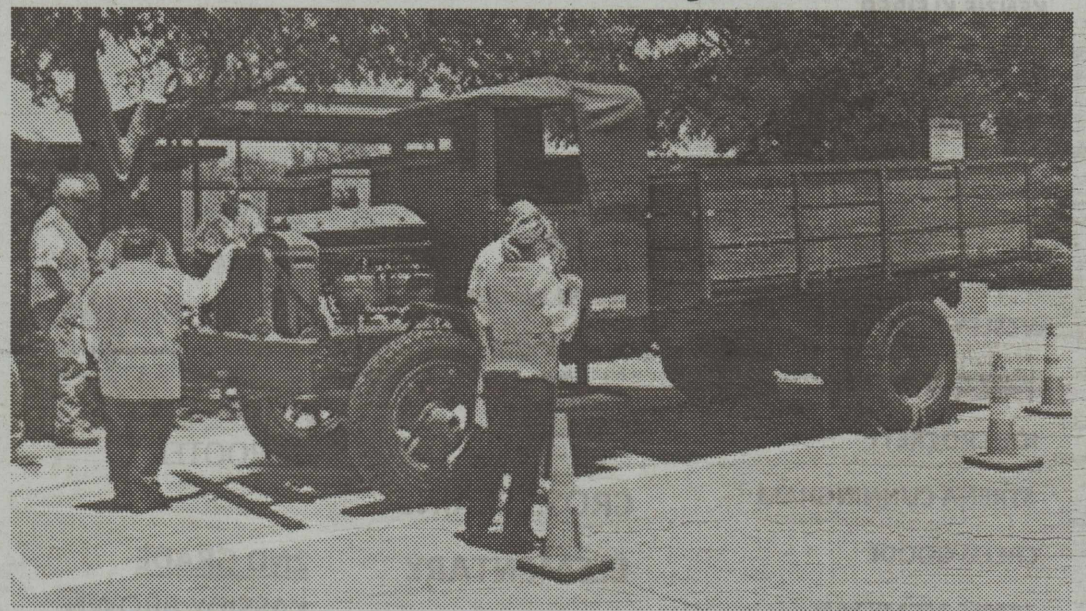
The centennial exhibit was on display at the following locations in the Abilene District: Monday, May 22: Frontier Texas Parade Grounds, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

625 N. 1st St.
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Tuesday, May 23: Howard County Safety Rest Area, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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"We are extremely grateful for the century of support from our elected leaders and citizens who have helped us build one of the greatest transportation systems in the world," says Bass. "As a long-time TxDOT employee, I have been blessed to know and work with so many extraordinary people who have helped shape the daily lives of all Texans. As we celebrate our past, we look forward to delivering new projects that will



TxDOT EMPLOYEES SHOW OFF THE DEPARTMENT'S RESTORED 1918 LIBERTY TRUCK AT THE I-20 REST AREA LAST WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH. THE WORLD WAR I SURPLUS TRUCK IS MAKING ITS WAY AROUND THE 25 TxDOT REGIONAL DISTRICTS TO CELEBRATE THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. AFTER MAKING ITS ROUNDS AROUND THE STATE, THE TRUCK WILL BE PERMANENTLY DISPLAYED AT THE BOB BULLOCK TEXAS STATE HISTORY MUSEUM IN AUSTIN



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In its first nine months, the Texas Highway Department registered nearly 200,000 automobiles and drew the first official map showing the routes of 8,865 miles of improved roadways that would tie Texas together.

As Texas grew, so did the department's responsibilities. In the 1970s, its scope would stretch beyond roads and highways to local and regional public transit providers. Throughout the 1990s and 2000s, the agency was assigned additional duties, including aviation and railroads along with ports and waterways. It also was given a new identity

- the Texas Department of Transportation, or TxDOT for short.

Today, TxDOT continues to address the state's ongoing and growing transportation needs. From its humble beginnings of 10 employees and a 1918 construction project creating a 20-mile road between Falfurrias and Encino to the world's first precast network arch bridge in Fort Worth, TxDOT has grown into one of the state's largest agencies with more than 11,000 team members maintaining 80,000 miles of Texas roadways.

It's been a century of service and TxDOT looks forward to the next 100 years of connecting Texans to what matters most.



Barbarian Festival T-Shirts Design - Created by local graphic artist Teri Brown, Barbarian Festival t-shirts will be available soon in a variety of neon colors and heather gray.

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TEXAS - CALLING ALL CADETS - Texas Brigades is celebrating its 25th year hosting wildlife and natural resource-based leadership camps. These youth programs are held across Texas and, in its milestone year, will host over 200 Texas youth, filling all eight summer camps! Texas Brigades is a wildlife and natural resource-focused leadership development organization for youth that features summer camp programs, a Wildlife Intensive Leadership Development (WILD) program, and targeted day-programming. In 25 years, Texas Brigades has grown from its premier Bobwhite Brigade, into a multi-program, non-profit organization. Approximately 3,000 youth from throughout the state of Texas have graduated from a Texas Brigades program. Join us in Fredericksburg, TX on Saturday, April 29, 2017 at the Gillespie County Fair Grounds, from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This 25th Anniversary Fundraiser event is to celebrate achievements, honor and recognize those who have shaped Texas Brigades, including Dr. Dale Rollins, and raise funds to create a stronger organization that shapes Texas' youth into high-achieving stewards and conservation ambassadors.

The 25th Anniversary event will feature a program and dinner, entertainment and keynote address from Captain Steve Stapleton from Animal Planet's Lone Star Law, multiple silent auction items and firearm raffles, as well as high-valued live auction items such as trophy hunts and fishing trips. Help Texas Brigades reach its fundraiser goal of "\$25,000 for 25 years". ABOUT TEXAS BRIGADES Texas Brigades is a non-profit organization that works in partnership with Texas Wildlife Association, Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation, AgriLife Extension, USDA-NRCS, as well as universities, conservation groups, local soil and water conservation districts, private businesses and individuals with an interest in wildlife and youth leadership development. Tickets to the 25th Anniversary event may be purchased online at <https://texasbrigades25thanniversary.eventbrite.com> or by calling the Texas Brigades office in San Antonio by April 25th. For more information, contact Texas Brigades at info@texasbrigades.org, call the office at 210-556-1391, or find us on Facebook, Twitter, IG and Snapchat.

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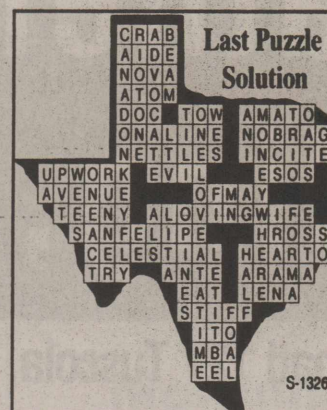
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Tips for keeping calm
in the midst of a crisis

In this time of great change and uncertainty, crisis situations seem to be growing at a rapid speed. The emotional turmoil and negative behavior that is on the rise, spanning from verbal abuse to physical assault, is requiring schools and agencies to intervene more often for the safety and protection of the students, staff and clients. Schools and agencies have a responsibility to train their staff to safely and effectively deal with reasonably foreseeable situations. We at Handle With Care would like to offer some tips when responding to someone who is becoming out of control. There is a natural, but incorrect, tendency to respond to the person in conflict the same way as they are behaving. Many times we feel overwhelmed by the situation and experience emotions like anger and fear. When we exhibit these emotions, it increases rather than decreases the conflict and crisis around us. When dealing with an agitated person, child or student, we must control not only our verbal but non-verbal communication as well.

First, staff needs to be attuned to the signals of potential crisis behavior. Typically there is a change of behavior before physical aggression occurs, which includes:

- Verbal clues: what is being said (e.g. insults or threats)
- Non-verbal clues: how something is being said (e.g. voice, volume, rate of speech and tone)
- Body language: (e.g. body tenseness, leaning forward, pacing, finger pointing or hand clenching)
- Second, staff that are working with emotionally disturbed, aggressive or violent behavior need to be aware of and in control of their emotions and behaviors. It is their actions and words that can either reduce the potential for conflict or escalate it. Here are some key points to keep in mind when faced with an uncertain situation:
 - Remain calm and in control.
 - Only one person should speak at a time.
 - Respect personal space.
 - Be aware not only of what you say, but how you say it.
 - Maintain natural eye contact and establish a direct line of communication.
 - In instances of team intervention, one person, the person with the best relationship, should be designated as the "talker."
 - Set limits; the limits should be clear, consistent and enforceable.
 - Of course, immediate action needs to be taken in dangerous and/or life threatening situations.

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Callahan County Cattle Brands & Branding-A historical perspective

Livestock branding is done to mark livestock & identify the owner. The word "brand" comes from Germanic languages originally meaning hot, fire or burning, such as a burning stick. Hot branding dates back at least 4,000 years to the ancient Egyptians and was also used by the ancient Greeks and Romans. The Old Testament reports that Jacob used the natural markings of sheep and goats to identify and separate ownership during biblical times. By the Middle Ages, hot branding was a common practice in Europe on cattle and other large livestock with thick hides.

Hot branding was widespread in Spain with its large cattle grazing regions. Spaniards brought the first cattle to the new World along with their practice of branding for identification. The early Spanish and Mexican brands were pictographs not letters. Anglo-Texans had difficulty interpreting these symbols and often called them "quien sabe" (who knows?). The early Texas cattle brands were mostly initials that could be easily read. They identified ownership and represented family ranches.

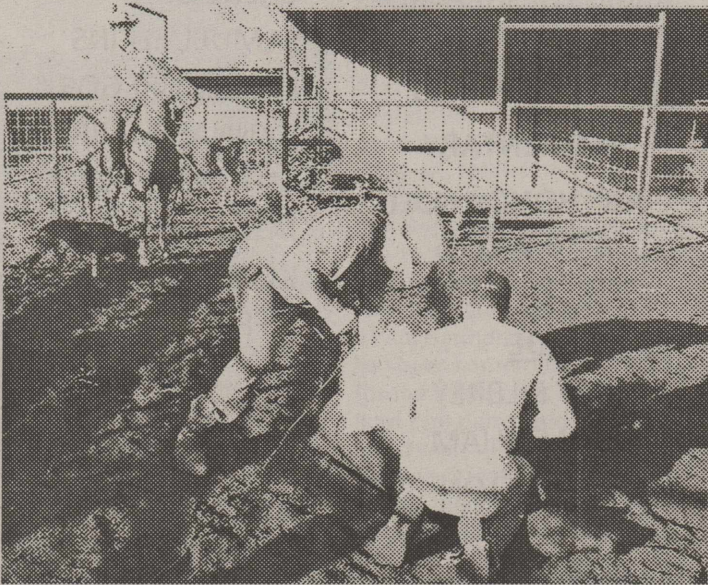
The first Texas brand was believed to have been recorded in Gonzales County in 1832. Texas law provided for recording brands with the county clerk beginning in 1848. However, most counties did not start brand registrations until the 1870s. Callahan County was formally organized in July 1877. Its first cattle brand was recorded approximately one month later to Joe Nunn. Early Callahan County cattle brands recorded from 1877 until 1882 included those of Merchant, McCoy, Eubanks, Hart, Windham, Hatchett, Snyder, Tanner, Cutbirth, Gilliland, Brightwell, Blakely, Flores, Hall, Hill, Heyser, Asbury, Dyer, Estes and others. The original brand registry from 1877 to the present is located in the

Callahan County Clerk's Office at the Courthouse in Baird and can be reviewed.

There is no law requiring the exact spot on cattle where brands are to be placed. The left side on the hip has been the traditional branding spot. There is no documentation explaining why, but there are 3 reasons commonly given. Cowboys read from left to right and so look at cattle from the head toward the tail. Cattle tend to mill from left to the right in herds and brands on the left side are more visible to cowboys rounding them up. Most cowboys are right-handed, ride their horses to the left rear of cattle when roping them and can see the brand better on the left side.

Early branding irons were made of cast iron and forged by blacksmiths. They were heated in open fires on the ground, handled with gloves and applied firmly to the cattle roped, tied and held on the ground by cowboys. They are still used today but electric and gas-heated ones are more prevalent. Squeeze chutes are also used to securely hold cattle, reduce cowboy labor and avoid injury to both. Originally, branding livestock meant a hot brand for bigger thick-hided animals. Today, there are many other ways to mark livestock for identification such as freeze branding (horses), paint (sheep), inner lip or ear tattoos, ear marking, ear tagging, and RFID (radio frequency identification) tagging with a microchip.

The Western Cattle Trail (or Texas Trail) originated in South Texas near Brownsville and came north through San Antonio, Belle Plaine, Fort Griffin and Doan's Store on Red River en route to the rail-heads at Dodge City (KS), Ogallala (NB) and Fort Union (ND). It opened in the spring of 1867 and continued until the last recorded drive in 1892. It was estimated that six million cattle



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and one million horses were driven on this trail to those northern markets.

There was little fencing in those days so cattle roamed, grazed and mingled freely over the land. Branding was essential to establish ownership, especially during the roundups in preparation for the trail drives to market. Trail drive herds were often composed of cattle from different ranches with different brands. On the trail at river crossings, after stampedes or at the rail-heads waiting to load on railroad cars, they would sometimes mix with other trail drive cattle creating ownership identification problems and sorting delays. The best solution was a "road brand" sometimes given to the entire trail herd when it consisted of cattle from various owners.

Texas law requires all persons who own cattle, hogs, sheep, goats and horses to record their brands, earmarks, tattoos, electronic devices or other identification marks with the county clerk in the county where the animals are located. Every 10 years, brands must be re-registered. The present effective date is August 31, 2011 to August 31, 2021. The next brand registration period begins August 31, 2021

and lasts for one year. Also, if a property owner discovers stray livestock on the property owner's property, it must be reported to the county sheriff as soon as possible.

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association cooperates with 254 county clerks to provide the Texas Brand Registration website because Texas does not have a statewide brand registry database. The Association's commissioned peace officers investigate around 1,000 agriculture crimes each year and recover an annual average of \$5 million in stolen cattle and assets for ranchers. Each year these special rangers and their market inspectors check 4 to 5 million cattle sold at 115 Texas livestock markets. More than 100,000 cattle brands are currently registered in Texas. The best way to prevent cattle rustling is to brand and register the brand with your county clerk's office.

"TRUST YOUR NEIGHBOR BUT BRAND YOUR CATTLE" (old Texas wisdom)

John Compere
Callahan County rancher

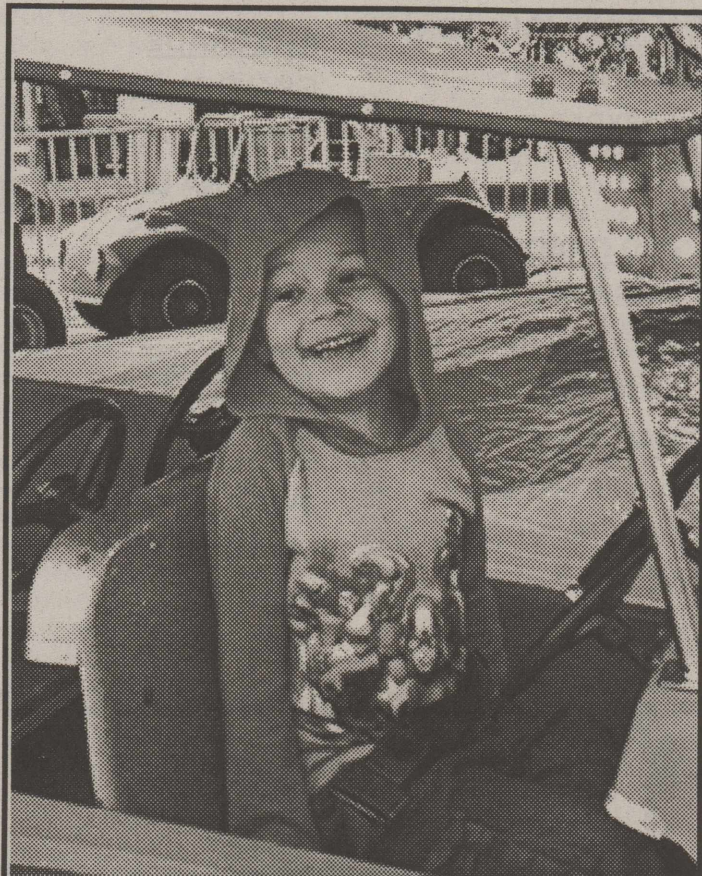
Donations needed for Bake and Craft Sale

The Womans Auxiliary of the American Legion Post 423 could really use the help from the good people of Cross Plains. Donations are greatly needed craft wise, and or bake goods.

We plan to be set up at the Food Plaza from 8am until 4pm the weekend of June 10th, that is the weekend of the Barbarian Festival. Please stop by and see if there is something you

would like.

If you would like to help with a donation please contact President, Sharelynn Bell at (325) 260-3923 or Vice President Leslie Hughes at 432-269-9828. Any donation are greatly appreciated, and the Womens Auxiliary will be grateful for any help you can give.



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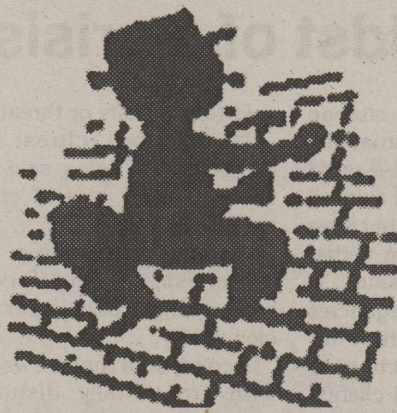
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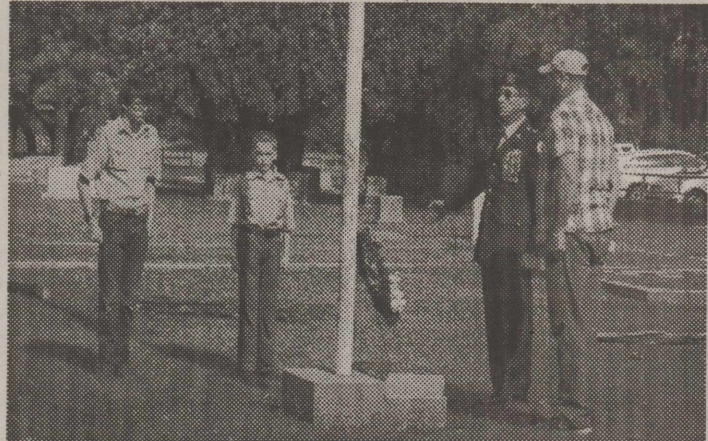
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Memorial Day Service Held At Oplin Cemetery

About fifty people turned out for the 21st annual memorial service held under the oak trees at the Oplin Community Cemetery on Monday, May 29 at 9:00 AM. Boy Scouts from Troop 223 of Clyde conducted a flag presentation, and led

the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Sharon Douglas sang a beautiful rendition of the National Anthem. Dave Douglas offered prayers and a heartfelt address. A wreath was placed in honor of those that have fallen in the

defense of our nation, and flags were placed on the graves of the 61 veterans buried there, including two Confederate veterans.

Following the service, attendees gathered at the Oplin Community Center for

refreshments and fellowship. The organizers of the event would like to thank everybody that came out, and give a special thanks to the ladies that provided food.



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Land Commissioner, Alamo leaders praise Texas Legislature for fully funding the Alamo

AUSTIN - Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush today applauded the Members of the 85th Legislature for fully funding his request for \$75 million for the Alamo, the Cradle of Texas Liberty, in its biennial budget. Commissioner Bush sought the funds to preserve and protect the historic buildings of the Alamo Church and Long Barrack and to continue the unprecedented progress that has been made on the Alamo Master Plan. The Senate voted 30 to 1 in favor of passage, while the House passed it with a vote of 135 to 14.

"The Alamo is the place where Texas' renowned spirit of independence began in 1836 and I am extremely pleased that the Legislature has shown its support by fully funding our request to help us restore dignity and preserve it for future generations," Commissioner Bush said. "The state of Texas is joining the city of San Antonio in making sure that the Alamo will be preserved and protected for future generations. I would like to thank Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, Speaker Joe Straus, Sen. Jane Nelson, Rep. John Zerwas, the members of the budget conference committee and other leaders in the Texas Legislature for ensuring that the budget includes this vital funding for the Alamo."

"The City of San Antonio is grateful to Commissioner Bush for his leadership and to the members of the Texas Legislature for their continued commitment to this project and fully funding the request of \$75 million," said San Antonio Mayor Ivy R. Taylor. "This outstanding show of support by our legislators and the successful passage of the San Antonio 2017 Bond

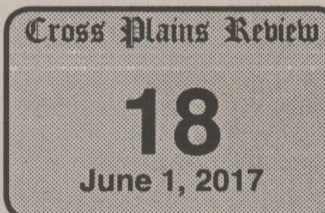
Program provide this project with an unprecedented level of support. By joining forces in this project, we will preserve and protect the Alamo and help future generations understand the complex history of this cherished place."

"This is a truly great day for the Alamo," said Alamo Endowment Board Member Gene Powell. "When we started this work almost two years ago, we pledged to have no small thoughts and make no small plans. We are committed to preserving and protecting the Alamo for future generations and to returning the dignity to this site. It's a monumental task and we simply could not do it without the support of the Texas Legislature. The Alamo belongs to the State of Texas and we should be incredibly proud of our state leaders we have who have demonstrated their commitment to preserving and celebrating our heritage."

Upon taking office in 2015, Commissioner Bush made the Alamo one of his key priorities. He reconstituted the Alamo Endowment Board, which he chairs. He also sought and secured major funding in the 84th Legislature, with which the Land Office began addressing immediate structural preservation and safety issues in the Alamo Church and Long Barrack. The funds also enabled the GLO to purchase the Crockett, Palace and Woolwrth buildings adjacent to Alamo Plaza. The Alamo Master Plan proposes to repurpose those buildings into a world-class visitor center and museum.

Commissioner Bush also negotiated a cooperative agreement among the Texas General Land Office, the city of San Antonio, and the

Alamo Endowment, under which the three entities are working together on the design and implementation of a new master plan for the Alamo and surrounding area. This month, San Antonio voters overwhelmingly approved a bond program that includes \$21 million for the Alamo. The San Antonio City Council also unanimously voted to adopt the Master Plan and conceptually approved closing a portion of Alamo and Crockett streets in order to recapture the Historic Mission Plaza. The Master Plan proposes to delineate the historic footprint of the mission and to expose archaeological remains of the mission walls and stone footings. These artifacts would be protected and visible to the public through structural glass day and night. The Alamo Master Plan will include a large visitor center and museum for displaying artifacts and telling the Alamo's story - including the battle of the Alamo in 1836 and over 300 years of layered history.



DPS honors fallen officers at Memorial Service

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) today honored the Texas Troopers, Special Agents and Texas Rangers who have lost their lives in the line of duty. The DPS Peace Officer Memorial Service was held in Austin in conjunction with National Police Week. Gov. Abbott, the keynote speaker, and more than 300 guests, including various law enforcement officials and family members of fallen officers, attended the event.

"The law enforcement officers who protect this great state, and the families who stand by their side, deserve our deepest respect," said Governor Abbott. "Today we mourn every peace officer we have lost, and we remember their selfless dedication and commitment to upholding the Rule of Law in Texas. Cecilia and I offer our heartfelt sympathies and prayers to the families of these selfless servants."

Since 1823, 219 officers serving in the Texas Rangers and DPS have died in the line of duty. According to the Officer Down Memorial Page, 153 officers across the country were killed in the line of duty since last year's DPS Peace Officer Memorial Ceremony on May 17; 18 of those brave officers served in Texas law enforcement. During the same time, our nation lost 28 law enforcement K9s in the line of duty - four of those were in Texas.

DPS Urges Texans to Stay Vigilant, Report Suspicious Activity

State iWatch program accepts tips via website, mobile app

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is calling on Texans to remain vigilant regarding potential crime and terrorist activity in their communities, and to report suspicious behaviors to local authorities or the department's iWATCH website at www.iwatchtx.org. The iWATCH program was created as a partnership between communities and law enforcement, and utilizes citizen-sourced tips related to criminal activity.

"In the wake of the cowardly attack in Manchester, England, our condolences go out to the victims and their families, and everyone impacted by this tragedy," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "We want to remind Texans of the crucial role they play in helping law enforcement protect the public from groups and lone-wolf actors intent on harming others. We urge individuals to stay alert and report any illegal or suspicious activity they witness to iWATCH or to their local authorities."

In addition to the bombing in England, other terrorist and criminal attacks have taken place around the world, including here in the

U.S. Concerned citizens who observe suspicious activity can visit the iWATCH website - www.iwatchtx.org - to fill out a report, which includes contact information and specifics about a particular incident. A report usually takes fewer than five minutes to complete, and once submitted, each report is reviewed by law enforcement analysts. To make an anonymous report, individuals can contact DPS at 1-844-643-2251. (iWATCH is not designed to report emergencies. If a situation requires an emergency response, call 911.)

Preparations for terrorist attacks may often be seen, but rarely reported. When in doubt, please speak up. Here are some examples of behaviors and activities to report:

- Strangers asking questions about building security features and procedures.
- Briefcase, suitcase, backpack or package is left behind.
- Cars or trucks are left in no-parking zones at important buildings.
- Chemical smells or fumes that are unusual for the location.
- People requesting sensitive information, such as blueprints,

security plans or VIP travel schedules, without a need to know.

• Purchasing supplies that could be used to make bombs or weapons, or purchasing uniforms without having the proper credentials.

• Taking photographs or videos of security features, such as cameras or checkpoints.

Reports to iWATCH can also be made through the DPS Mobile App. The app is currently available for iPhone users on the Apple App Store: (<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/texas-dps/id902092368?mt=8>) and for Android users on Google Play: (<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.microassist.texasdpsEhl-en>).

John David Oldham
Texas Department of Public Safety -
Texas Highway Patrol, Texas
End of Watch: Sunday, July 7, 1974



"Today we pay our respects"



Harold D. Hambrick
Texas Department of Public Safety -
Texas Highway Patrol, Texas
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of public safety threats, and they face high-risk situations on a regular basis," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "The department is eternally proud of and humbled by the sacrifices made by these outstanding individuals along with their families - especially those who have made the ultimate sacrifice - as they proudly serve and protect the great state of Texas."

The DPS memorial service is one of many ceremonies scheduled across the nation to honor fallen law enforcement officers during National Police Week.

For a list and photos of fallen DPS members throughout history, visit the DPS website at www.dps.texas.gov/memorial/. For more information about officer deaths across the state and nation, see www.odmp.org/. To view the proclamation by Gov. Abbott designating May 15 and May 14-20, 2017, as Peace Officers Memorial Day

and Week, respectively, visit <http://www.dps.texas.gov/docs/govProc2017.pdf>. To view Gov. Abbott's remarks at today's ceremony, please see <http://www.dps.texas.gov/docs/speechGovAbbott.pdf>.

Patrolman John Oldham was struck and killed by a vehicle while directing traffic.

Patrolman Harold Hambrick, who witnessed the incident, suffered a fatal heart attack.

Patrolman Oldham had been with the Texas Department of Public Safety for two years and was stationed at Baird. He was survived by his son, John II, and daughter, Jana.

Patrolman Hambrick suffered a fatal heart attack after witnessing Trooper John Oldham being struck by a car. Both officers were working a traffic detail at the time.

Patrolman Hambrick had been with the Texas Department of Public Safety for seven years and was stationed at Baird.

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Haystack Supper

Prep/Total Time: 25 Minutes

Ingredients:

- 1-3/4 cups crushed saltines (about 40 crackers)
- 2 cups cooked rice
- 3 pounds ground beef
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1-1/2 cups tomato juice
- 3/4 cup water
- 3 tablespoons taco seasoning
- Seasoned salt, salt and pepper to taste
- 4 cups shredded lettuce
- 3 medium tomatoes, diced
- 1/2 cup butter, cubed
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 4 cups milk
- 1 pound process cheese (Velveeta), cubed
- 3 cups (12 ounces) shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- 1 jar (10 ounces) pimiento-stuffed olives
- 1 package (14-1/2 ounces) tortilla chips

Directions

1. Divide crackers between two ungreased 13x9-in. baking dishes. Top each with rice.
2. In a large skillet, cook beef and onion until meat is no longer pink; drain. Add the tomato juice, water and seasonings; simmer for 15-20 minutes. Spoon over rice. Sprinkle with lettuce and tomatoes.
3. In a large saucepan, melt butter. Stir in flour until smooth. gradually add milk. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened.
4. Reduce heat; stir in Velveeta cheese until melted. Pour over the tomatoes. Top with cheddar cheese and olives. Serve with chips. Refrigerate any leftovers. Yield: 2 casseroles (6 servings each).

You Can Be A Part of the Barbarian Festival

You can be a part of the Barbarian Festival! On the second Saturday in June over a thousand local and area residents gather at Treadway Park for the Barbarian Festival, and enjoy arts and crafts, jewelry, candles and other kinds of booths, kids games, pony rides, a variety of food, live music and lots of fun. This year's festival is on Saturday, June 10th.

You, your business or your organization can sponsor the Barbarian Festival. For a donation of \$100.00 or more you will receive your or your company's name represented in print advertising for the festival in local & area newspapers and your name or logo on the Barbarian Festival t-shirt and website. You will also receive a complimentary t-shirt.

For a donation less than \$100.00, you name or your company's name represented in print advertising.

You can also donate items to our raffle that benefits the Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt

Scholarship Funds. We will draw for the items during the festival and your business will be mentioned as donating the item. Donated items will be accepted in lieu of cash for sponsorship.

Those businesses that have already signed up to sponsor the festival are: 36 West Motel, AAA Stowaway Storage, Barr Fabrication, Bear Branch Ranch, Brenda's This and That Thrifty Shop, Caddo Peak Ranch, Callahan County Sheriff's Office, Circle R Boutique, City of Cross Plains, Complete Home Maintenance, Connie' Cuts & Curls, Cook's Fish Barn, Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, Cross Plains EDC, Cross Plains EMS, Cross Plains Review, First United Methodist Church, Hanner Chevrolet Supercenter, Hardwick's, Higginbotham Funeral Home, Higginbotham's/True Value, Hutton Construction,

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You can mail your sponsorship donations to the Barbarian Festival Committee, P. O. Box 741, Cross Plains, TX 76443, or call Don Childers 254-725-6498 for sponsorship information or raffle item pick-up.

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