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Spraying Water with the Firehose -- The Cross Plains Library's Summer Reading Program kids visited the Cross Plains VFD Fire Station. The kids learned "Stop, Drop and Roll", How to call 911, learned about the fireman's gear and firetrucks and sprayed water with the firehose. More photos inside.

Ice Cream Crank-off at the Methodist Church, Sunday, July 2nd

Day celebrations and what is of Flavorologists and from the more American than hot dogs people's choice. When all these and home-made ice cream? The First United Methodist Church has combined these two summer time favorites into scoop and the one of a kind what has become the annual Ice crown. Cream Crank-off. This year the event will be held on Sunday, July 2 to avoid any conflict with the big celebration in Treadway Park on July 4.

Officially starting back in and has undoubtedly been 2010, the event has grown practicing with her extended from a few entries to an average of about 13 concoctions of every flavor. Larry Killgo won the funky conical shaped crown designating him as the official "Ice Cream Crank-off Champion" for the first time; dominates the vanilla division followed by Frank and Edna O'Banion in 2011. Then came Shelby McWilliams topped his Ashley Moses in 2012 with Jim score by half a point last year. and Patricia Cook winning the crown in 2013. Susan Hunter dominated the competition in lucky folks who get to sample both 2014 and 2015 before every entry and score them being "de-crowned" last year by Dora Warlick. Dora REALLY achieved the ultimate goal of winning, as she accumulated tapped for this coveted job.

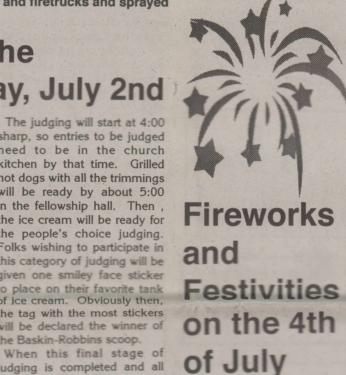
It's time for Independence the most points from the panel points were added up, she had won the Golden Scoop award, the original Baskin-Robbins

Dora's triple crown status is up for grabs this year as folks try to de-throne her. Carol George was right behind Dora in all three categories last year Susan Hunter and family. Judy Porter gave them quite the competition as a very few points separated the entries in all the categories.

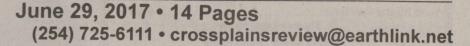
Bryan Bennett usually with his Dad's recipe, but A panel of five anonymous "Flavorologists" make up the on several categories. New members of the church and an outside ringer or two are usually

sharp, so entries to be judged need to be in the church kitchen by that time. Grilled hot dogs with all the trimmings will be ready by about 5:00 in the fellowship hall. Then, the ice cream will be ready for the people's choice judging. Folks wishing to participate in this category of judging will be given one smiley face sticker to place on their favorite tank of ice cream. Obviously then, the tag with the most stickers will be declared the winner of the Baskin-Robbins scoop.

When this final stage of judging is completed and all the winners announced, folks are welcome to eat what's left in the tanks. Well, that is after the organizers and judges get their cups of ice cream.



The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce and the City of DVDs and VHS movies. We Cross Plains will be hosting July 4th Festivities at Treadway Park on Tuesday, July 4th. The evening will kick off at 5:30 p.m. with live music, bingo, a dunking booth, 42 tournament, horseshoes, hotdogs and watermelon, and





Cross Plains High School Varsity Cheerleaders washed cars on Thursday to raise money for cheer camp and uniforms. From to left to right - Caley Box, Kinlee Mathews, Mallory McCready (Head Cheerleader), Jackilann Shepard, Shana Yates, Kenzie Kleiber, Madilynn Shepard, Jordan Hampton and Isabel Dean (Mascot). They'll be holding another fundraiser - a bake sale - at the four way stop on Monday, July 3rd.

Library **Book Sale** Saturday, July 1st Spend some time browsing through the Cross Plains Public Library Book Sale, Saturday, July 1st, across from Lawrence Farm and 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 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

Karl Winge to be at Senior Center on Friday, June 30th at noon

County Extension Agent Karl Winge will present a program at the Cross Plains Senior Center at noon on Friday, June 30th. Winge will talk about Nutrition Education.

Lunch on Friday will be Swiss Steak, buttered noodles, green beans, bread and dessert.



Changed to Wednesday, June 28th

Due to vacations, Foot Care

There is usually one sugar free entry and it will be labeled as such for those who are limited on sugar.

The folks at the Methodist Church invite ya'll to join the fun and good eating on Sunday, July 2 to get a jump on our national celebrations. . .

Dance at Senior Center July 10th

Music and entertainmen provided by Margie Hartsfield, who has performed at the dances in the past several months. Everyone had such a

Snacks and beverage provided. Dinner is potluck. Only \$5 admission. Everyone 55 and older is invited to come and have a good time!

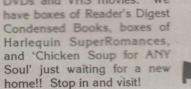
a bounce house for the kids! The First United Methodist Church is sponsoring the bounce house.

Bingo, always a popular favorite, features prizes ranging from t-shirts to coolers to gift certificates donated by many local businesses. Many local individuals will be

suspended over a tank of cold water in the dunking booth. Try your hand at dunking Connie Kirkham, School Teacher Kelli Hyles, Baptist Pastor Kenneth Reiter and other local celebrities. There are a couple of open time slots available, if you'd like to join the list of "dunk-ees"

At dark, the City of Cross Plains will present the fireworks display!

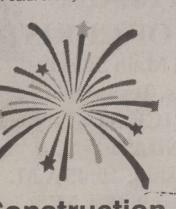
out to Treadway Park for a funfilled evening.



Cheerleaders **Bake Sale at** 4-Way Stop on Monday, July 3rd

The Cross Plains High School Varsity Cheerleaders will be having a bake sale on Monday, July 3rd from 9am-2pm at the four-way intersection in Cross Plains.

This fundraiser will help the girls pay for cheer camp and uniforms. Please come by and support these girls and pick up a tasty treat to take to your Fourth of July celebration!



Ribbon Cutting at Reed Construction to be held on Thursday, June 29th

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon cutting June 29th at 12:00 p.m. noon at Reed Construction's new office also known as the old ice house located at 402 S. Main Street.

The chamber would like to invite the community out to congratulate this business.



at the Cross Plains Senior Center has been cancelled for June 21th and re-scheduled for Wednesday, June 28th.



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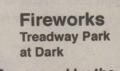
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Celebration

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Treadway Park 5:30 p.m. Bingo **Live Music Dunking Booth Bounch House 42 Tournament** Horseshoes



Sponsored by the City of Cross Plains and the **Cross Plains Chamber** of Commerce



Come dance the night away at the Cross Plains Senior Center on Monday, July 10th, starting at 6:30 p.m.

good time.



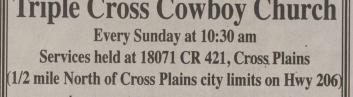
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Morning Worship		11:00 AM
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Youth Meet at Pool H	louse	6:30PM
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Phone: 254- Sunday School	725-7574			
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Living Water Ministries Fellowship Restoring And Equipping The Saints

Sunday....10:00 am Wednesday....7:00 pm **Pastor Max Evans**

For Information Call (254) 725-7418



OBITUARY



Anna Chesshir

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Anna Chesshir, 56, of Cross Plains passed away Monday, June 19, 2017 in Abilene.

Funeral service was held Friday, June 23, 2017 at 11 AM at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel.

Anna was born on April 24, 1961 in Hobbs, New Mexico to the late Donald Stark and Evelyn K. Barnes. She worked in customer service but her real passion was her family and friends. Anna has been described as an old soul who loved the 60's music. She enjoyed crafting and taking long rides with those she loved. Anna enjoyed the outdoors and loved nature.

Anna is survived by her son, Dustin Chesshir and wife Holly of Odessa; 3 grandchildren, Christopher, Hayley and Corbin; sister, Donna Hearitige and husband George of Cross Plains; lifelong soul sister, Lorna Munain; numerous nieces, nephews, family and dear friends.





Fred Lane, 63, of DeSoto, formerly of Cross Plains, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at his home surrounded by his family. Born August 1, 1953 in Gorman, he is the son of the late James Paul Lane and Nellie Marie Jones Lane. He grew up in Cross Plains, attended Southwestern University in Waxahachie and later dental school. He worked for the U S Postalserviceuntilhisretirement one year ago. He married Lynette Curran March 10, 1979 in Mankato, Minnesota. He was a member of Crossroads of Life Assembly of God Church in Duncanville. Preceded in death by his parents, he is survived by his wife, Lynette of DeSoto; his children, Stuart Brandon Lane and wife Renee of Dallas, Lindsay Kay Brown and husband Michael of Burleson, Stephen Lane of DeSoto, and Whitney Lane and fiancé Weston Clark of DeSoto; one grandson, David William Brown; his siblings, Jimmie Nell Montgomery of Burleson, Paul Lane and wife Carolyn, Tommy Lane and wife LaQuita, Donald Lane and wife Brenda, all of Cisco, and Glenda Farina and husband Rocco of Waxahachie; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. The family will



Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

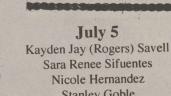
Dena Jo Hines was here on a large bounce house. The visiting with her mother Dena Nickerson.

The First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains will have it's annual Ice Cream Crank-Off this Sunday, July 2nd.

The July 4th Fireworks Celebration in Cross Plains will be held on Tuesday, July 4th down at Treadway Park. There will be hot dogs, bingo and a dunking booth. Kids can play

fun starts at 5:30 in the evening with the fireworks kicking off at dark

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.



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July 6

Diana L. Ring Mark Miller **Deby Banks** Brenda Montgomery **Evelyn Harris** Brandi (Monsey) Buitron

July 7

Tessie Blake Danny Adams Carrie Elaine Childers Robbie H. McClure Charlotte Hennesay Linda Merrit Donnie Neal Dillard John Perry J.C. Boyle Myrtle (Larkin) Bush Wanda Mathews Hayden L. Hopkins



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July 2

Cody Smith

Danny Frichlee

JoJo (Koenig) Morgan

Sharon Gilmore Barnes

Barbara (Shocklee) Hinkle

Bertha Dillard Sandra Barr Mrs. M.F. Gaw **Danny Walters** Sandra Morris Lupe Bwerrero R.B. Dillard Mrs. Nolan Bryan Joe Dalton Wyatt

Largest crowd ever expected for fireworks displays Food, Fun & Fireworks Friday and Saturday at Clyde Lake

The 2017 Festival by the Lake sponsored by the Clyde Festivities Committee is set for Friday, June 30th & Saturday, July 1st at the Clyde Lake.

There is no admission fee to the festival area; however the Men of Clyde will be on hand to accept donations to help cover cost of the event.

This is the eleventh year the Festival by the Lake has occurred. Last year's attendance was estimated at over 13,000 and is expected to be exceeded this year, according to Festival chairman Sheree Gray.

Festival organizer Terry Davis reported he's expecting one of the largest crowds ever for this year's Independence Day celebration. He said the City of Abilene will not be holding its annual 4th of July fireworks celebration and Davis said he's expecting a larger than usual crowd of spectators for the fireworks displays on Friday and Saturday night.

The festival committee is pleased to report that all measures of safety will be taken with a presence of law enforcement and medical teams in case of need. **FAMILY FUN**

Activities for all ages include carnival rides, air castle and

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maze, gyro-ball ride, bungee cord jump area, bucking mechanical bull, horseshoe and washer pitching tournaments and more being planned. The knocker balls (bounce balls) which are inflatable balls two players wear and try to knock each other down, will make their return appearance again this year. That area will be expanded

this year. Exciting display of fireworks set for both nights after dark around 10:00 p.m.

The fireworks on Friday night, June 30th will shot off by Gray Electric.

The fireworks display on Saturday night, July 1st will be shot off by Richard Sheffield and Chad Sheffield.

Live entertainment scheduled: Friday, June 30th: 5:00-7:00 Mexia Creek Band.

Friday, June 30th: 7:00-9:00 -Honkeytonk Soul Sister Serenade.

Friday, June 30th: 9:00-11:00 - Guadalupe Pirates.

Saturday, July 1st: 12:00-2:00 -Santa Fe.

Saturday, July 1st: 2:00-4:00 -Three Shades Blue.

Saturday, July 1st: 5:00-7:00

- Audry Oliver. Saturday, July 1st: 7:00-9:00 - Dave Hobbs.

Saturday, July 1st: 9:00-11:30 - Bo McDowell The City of Clyde also con-

structed a new \$10,000 roof over the band stage area for this year's concerts.

COOK-OFF COMPETITION on Saturday

Categories that require an entry fee include brisket, ribs, chicken, beans & dessert.

A new addition of a hamburger patty category for kids only will also be included this year. That category will be cooked on Friday, June 30th, and will be judged on Friday night.

Another new category of competition again this year, not requiring an entry fee, is "Best Damn Campsite". Cook-off campsites will be judged on how they are decorated to capture the spirit of the event. They will judged on Friday night, June 30th.

Cook-off teams meet at 5:00 p.m. Friday for final instructions. Deadline is Friday at 5:00 p.m.

Davis reported they are no longer taking any more food or vendor booth spaces for this year's celebration. "We're all full up," Davis reported.

Davis also reported the City of Clyde Convenience Center will

not be open this weekend due to the 4th of July holiday and will instead resume its normal schedule the following week.

GREAT SPONSORS for a **GREAT EVENT**

The Festival committee is most appreciative of the support of the following businesses and organizations that make the 2-day event spectacular: City of Clyde, Clyde Economic Development Corp., Blake Fulenwider Dodge/Chrysler/Jeep, Edward Jones, First Bank Texas, Gray Electric, Tytan Heating & Cooling and ResourceCare and Mister Car Wash in Abilene.

More contributors include: Big Country Trophies, Clyde Auto Supply, Clyde Chamber of Commerce, Citizens EMS, Clyde Farm & Ranch Supply, Clyde Journal, Clyde Volunteer Fire Department, First Financial Bank, Key City Septic & Plumbing, United Supermarkets and Shady Oaks Country Club.

Also, camp sites for this year's Independence Day celebration are also full up.

Clyde Lake is located 8 miles south of Interstate 20, east of FM 604, at FM 3217. The City's Facebook page is also located on the City of Clyde's website.

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The First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains is proud to announce their affiliation with Stephen Ministries, a notfor-profit Christian Education organization, to the Cross Plains and surrounding communities. Stephen Ministries was founded in 1975 and is a part of over 12,000 congregations.

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In it's 42 years of service, Stephen Ministries has trained over 600,000 leaders in 170 Christian denominations in all 50 states, 10 Canadian Provinces, and 25 other countries worldwide.

Stephen Ministry is a source loved you" (John 15:12). It of caring one-on-one ministry provides the community with within our community. The Stephen Minister (SM) is trained people to help minister called to, "bear one another's to hurting people. People burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). The SM develops a purely confidential, caring relationship to walk side by side with you through whatever challenges life has given. Whether it is the difficulty of divorce, parenting, illness, hospitalization, unemployment or death a SM listens and walks with you through the difficult time. Each SM spends time with Stephen Leader 325-220-1716. one community member

confidentially to listen, encourage, and care for that person exclusively until the hardship resolves. There are both male and female SM to assure that men can meet with men and women with women. All names and personally identifiable .information is omitted to ensure that

confidentiality is kept by strict

standards. Stephen Ministry multiplies blessings in the community by allowing Christians to respond to Christ's commandment: "Love one another as I have a team of gifted, talented, who would benefit from a compassionate companion for emotional and spiritual support. Stephen Ministry may be just what you, or someone you know, need in your life at this moment. For more information, or to connect with a local Stephen Minister, contact the First United Methodist Church 1000 N. Main, church phone 254-725-7377, Lee Anne Morton-

sweeping, mopping, the list just keeps on going. With the all the cuts in funding for programs for the elderly,

these donations of money, time and talents are vital to the success of our program.

Saying thank you is not enough, so we invite you to come by and visit, play games, or just spend time with the people that are reaping the benefits of your gifts and see for yourselves how beneficial your donations are. Cross Plains Senior Center

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June 19 - 22, 2017

New Children's Books From the Pilcrow Grant The Most Amazing Sea Creature by Brenda Guiberson Guide to Dinosaurs by Harvest House Egg: Nature's Perfect Package by Steven Jenkins

Patrons 104

Books Checked 124

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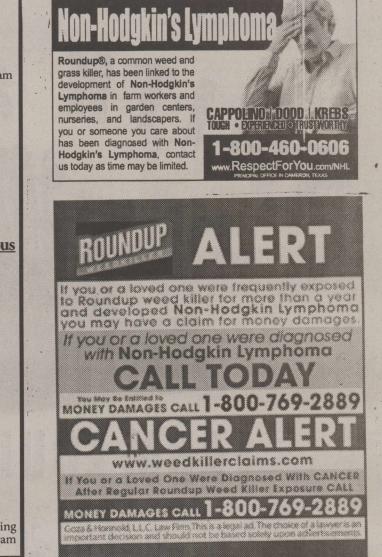
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Cross Plains Community Calendar

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

June 28 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Miniature Houses and Furniture, 1:30 p.m.

~~ July ~~

July 2 - Sunday, Ice Cream Crank-Off, First United Methodist Church. Judging 4 p.m., Eating 5 p.m.

July 4 - Tuesday, City of Cross Plains and Chamber of Commerce Fourth of July Celebration at Treadway Park. 5:30 p.m. Bingo, Dunking Booth. Fireworks after dark.

July 5 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Building Bird Houses, 1:30 p.m.

July 12 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Building a Stamp

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Collection, 1:30 p.m.

July 19 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Building a Cupcake, 1:30 p.m.

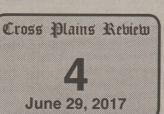
July 20 - Thursday, Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Banquet. First Baptist Church Family Life Center. 6:30 p.m. July 26 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Building Signs and Posters, 1:30 p.m.

~~ August ~~

August 2 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Splash in the Park, 1:30 p.m.

August 29 - Tuesday CPISD School Starts

~~ September ~~ September 4 - Monday, Labor Day. Schools out. City, county, federal offices, banks and many businesses closed.



Cheerleaders Wash Cars to Raise Money for Camp



Making sure the pickup is clean. Shana Yates and **Jackilann Shepard scrub** on the truck's grill and hood.





Having fun at the Car Wash - Varsity Cheerleaders, from left to right - Caley Box, Kinlee Mathews (in back), Mallory McCready (Head Cheerleader), Jackilann Shepard, Shana Yates, Kenzie Kleiber, Madilynn Shepard, Jordan Hampton and Isabel Dean

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Week-end tours of Museum

continue to attract visitors. Eight of them this past week alone. Most of them expressed their disappointment about missing the recent REH Days by a couple of weeks.

Articles about three other visiting groups are elsewhere in this week's Review. Saturday morning found Dominick Mattero stopping to visit the Museum. He touring the country as he is between jobs at this time. Being an X-ray technician, he wasn't too concerned about where he would land. As with so many visitors, Dominick became acquainted with Howard's stories in the comic books and adventure at the Museum.

Tours of the REH Museum had branched out to most of the other genres as he grew older. He was totally amazed at the condition of Howard's old, old house and how Project Pride had been able to restore it and to keep it operational.

Saturday afternoon found Santo Ignacio and his son stopping on a whim. Finding nobody at the Museum and reaching dead ends with his phone calls, he finally stopped at 7 Eleven where Mark Ring helped him locate somebody who could show him through the Museum. Originally from Spain, he is currently living in the Dallas area.

Every day and week, a new

School Board Minutes

June 21, 2017

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

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Supt. Phil Mitchell, H.S. Principal Brad Jones, Elem Principal Leslie Lawrence, Athletic Director Daniel Purvis, and Dade Cosby

Prayer was led by Bryan Bennett.

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams that we approve minutes. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by McWilliams that we hire Amber Shipman

a one year Dual Assignment Probationary Contract as a High School Coach and Social Studies teacher. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Shepard and seconded by McWilliams that we approve employee salaries for 2017-2018. For 7/ Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Crockett that. we approve Update 108. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Bennett to move that the Board of Trustees of Cross Plains I.S.D. sets the proposed rates for publication of the Notice of

Public meeting to discuss Proposed Tax Rate to be held on July 13, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. to be as follows: M&O Tax Rate - \$1.17, I&S Tax Rate - \$.0.00, Total Tax Rate - \$1.17. For 7/Against 0 Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by McWilliams that we accept contract with Jacob & Martin for tornado shelter/gym. For 7/Against 0 Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Shepard that we consider deleting policies concerning Continuing Contracts CDCB Local, DCC Local, DFCA Local and DFFC Local. For 7/Against 0 Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams that we consider bids for milk Motion was made by Shepard and go with Gandy's. For 7/ Against 0

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on a one year Probationary Contract as an Elementary teacher. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by Shepard that we hire Jennifer Gilligan on a one year Probationary Contract as an Elementary Special Education teacher. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Bennett that we hire Holly Richardson on a one year Probationary Contract as a High School Math teacher.

For 7/Against 0 and seconded by McWilliams that we hire Dustin Neighbors on a one year Probationary Contract as a High School Math and Science teacher. For 7/ Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by McWilliams that we hire Gary Moses on

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Shepard that we consider bid for fuel and go with PF&E. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Crockett that we adjourn. For 7/Against 0





Cross Plains Summer Readers Invade Fire Department

Wednesday, June 21st, the Summer Reading Program made their way to the **Cross Plains Volunteer Fire** Department's new fire station. A total of 28kids and 15 adults were given cookies and juice as they learned about fire safety.

The firemen taught the kids about how to Stop, Drop and Roll; what number to call if there is a fire, and how to crawl out of the house to escape the smoke.

The readers also got to see Assistant Fire Chief Byron McNutt in full gear and see just how it would sound if a fireman was calling out to help them in a fire.

But, they saved the best for last, in true firemen fashion the kids were able to hold the firehose and spray water and get sprayed with water also. We're not sure who had more fun - the kids or the firemen!

Fire Chief Rickey Carouth, Rural Chief J. D. Huddleston, Truck Captain Josh Loftis and Secretary Netha Carouth helped with the event.

The library wants to give a huge Thank You to the volunteer firemen as they go above and beyond the call of duty. Cross Plains is lucky to have them.







Assistant Fire Chief Bryon McNutt and Rural Chief J. D. Huddleston show how a fireman looks and sounds in his gear. Truck Captain Josh Loftis also helped with the presentation.



Learning about the firetrucks.



Waiting for a turn with the hose.

Commissioners' court meeting minutes from Monday, June 26th

The Meeting of the Commissioners' Court was held at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse on Monday, June 26, 2017 A.D. at 9:33 A.M., with the following officers present to wit: Roger Corn, Judge Presiding; Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; Bryan Famer, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; Jan Windham, County Treasurer; and Nicole Crocker, Deputy Clerk. Also attending were: Sam Goldsmith, Goldsmith Solutions; and Scott Kniffen.

-Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to accept the Resolution Celebrating the 140th Anniversary of Callahan County. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Kirkham made a motion that the County reapprove and ratify the Tax Abatement Agreement with KC Wind, LLC dated June 12, 2017, pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code, as presented, and authorize the County Commissioners Court and the County Judge to take any action and action was taken. -There was discussion about the Elevator Platform. No action was taken.

-Commissioner Farmer made a motion to go out for bid on a new Courthouse roof. **Commissioner Hicks seconded** the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Scranton **Musical** July 1st

The Scranton Musical will be held Saturday, July 1, 2017 at the Scranton Community Center The kitchen begins serving

The following items of business were transacted:

-The meeting was called to order at 9:33 A.M. by Judge Corn. All Commissioners were present.

-The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and signed.

-Under public comment there was none.

-No action was taken on the burn ban. The burn ban remains lifted.

-There was no Sheriff's report. Jan Windham, County Treasurer gave the Overtime Report. Commissioner Farmer made motion to approve report. **Commissioner Hicks seconded** motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Carl Barnes discussed with the Court closing County Road 468. Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to post a notice for 20 days to close CR 468 and to have a Public Hearing July 24, 2017. Commissioner Windham seconded motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Windham made a motion to sign Unifirst Service Agreement. of booths low to encourage **Commissioner Hicks seconded** the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

-Brendon Longley with AlertSense met with Commissioner's Court about a Emergency Alerting System. No Action taken.

-Commissioner Hicks made a motion to accept an anonymous donation of \$100 to Callahan County Library. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

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execute any documents necessary to facilitate the matters contemplated by the Tax Abatement Agreement. **Commissioner** Farmer seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0, with Commissioner Windham abstaining.

-CommissionerFarmermade a motion to hire David Benton as part-time maintenance person. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-There was discussion about the Elevator Inspection. No

-There was discussion about the barrier for North Courthouse Parking Lot. No action was taken.

-Commissioner Windham made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 11:33 A.M.

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at 5:00. Sarah Matthews of Abilene is the hostess for the kitchen. The special will be fried chicken, potatoes or potato Spraying the firehose. salad, and green beans. \$5.00 for the special includes your choice of a drink. There will also be sandwiches for \$1.50 and pie for \$1.00 per slice. You won't find better food at any musical. Ruby and Buddy Johnson have a full line up of musicians for the evening.

Donations are gladly accepted for current projects at the center - roof repair on the Center building and restoration of the original Scranton Post Office which was donated by Lyndel Reese and moved to the Community Center grounds. We look forward to seeing you

for food, music and fellowship.





Assistant Fire Chief Bryon McNutt shows how heavy a fireman's helmet is.

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Market at Clyde moved to **Chamber Building July 8th**

Market at Clyde has moved its location from the old Firehouse on North First Street to the Chamber of Commerce Building next door on North First Street in Clyde. That will be July 8, 10AM-4PM. Market at Clyde will continue to be the second Saturday of each month. It will continue as a non profit keeping the cost local artist, artisans, crafters and home cooks to share their talents and products with the community. Spaces are \$15. All items must be created or embelished by the vendor selling the items.

Vendors are very excited about the new location. This building will provide a much better environment for both shoppers and vendors, with air conditioning in summer and heating in the winter. This month expect to find fine art,

beautifully crafted jewelry, baked goods, jams, jellies, beautiful leather crafted purses and other leather goods, many styles of home decor, sewn: items, custom embroidery, soaps and body scrubs, self published children's books, refrigerator magnets, banners, wood crafts and many items for your pets such as collars, harnesses and leases.

Be sure to check out the details of the bicycle parade that will be on the same morning. Details and application for that are in another article in this paper. If you would like to see more about Market at Clyde go to the Facebook page, Market at Clyde, Texas, Also check out the ad that will run in this paper next week. If you would like a space as a vendor email themarketatclyde@gmail.com or call 325-518-3939.

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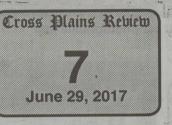
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The story of Cook Children's Hospital

the world," is an old Hebrew original location near Texas proverb. And that is especially Christian University to its prestrue for grieving parents who ent location across the street Bear Transport team includes have watched their children from Harris Methodist Hospital, at the edge of death returned which had opened in 1930. In ambulances, and a helicopter to full health and their world the meantime, both Cook Chil- to transport the most critical made whole again. All it takes dren's and Fort Worth Children's patients from hundreds of miles is for one person willing to do worked closely together. By the right thing. The story of Cook Children's Hospital in Fort decided they could best serve now strung across North Texas Worth is how two people without their patients by combining any medical training worked to create a hospital respected around the globe and has saved board facilitated this merger, countless lives since.

While Texas had a number of hospitals established by the ed at the Fort Worth Children's beginning of the twentieth cen- Hospital campus and construc- conditions that must necessarily tury, there were few dedicated tion on a modern, expanded fa- haunt childhood. The hospital solely to children's medicine. cility for what was now Cook-Fort begun by two people trying to Ida L. Turner had completed Worth Children's Hospital began alleviate the pain and misery of a respected tenure as a postmaster, a prestigious position for a woman at the time, and wanted to do still more for the community. Wanting to make and eventually an interior décor up for serious deficiencies in medical care for newborns, she organized the 30-bed Fort Worth Free Baby Hospital in March 1918. Turner made sure that the hospital would provide care for anyone, regardless of circumstances and regardless of ability to pay. All materials and supplies were donated through Turner's efforts. By 1922, the hospital was expanded as Fort Worth Children's Hospital, with a new floor added and services extended to older children. In spite of the success of the hospital, it struggled financially. At the same time, Missouri Matilda Cook was looking for a proper way to honor her late husband and daughter. William I. Cook had been a prominent rancher near Albany, not far from Abilene. Their daughter Jessie died in 1901, while the elder Cook died in 1923 after a fortune in oil was subsequently found at the ranch. His widowed wife gave \$1 million to build an ornate, 55-bed hospital in Fort Worth, christened W. I. Cook Memorial Hospital. The new hospital opened with much fanfare in 1929. Cook died in 1932, leaving most of her estate to the facility. In 1951, the W. I. Cook Foundation and the Tom B. Owens Foundation made a substantial donation to Fort Worth Children's Hospital to help it build a new facility. As a polio epidemic swept through the area, both Cook Hospital and Fort Worth Children's were overwhelmed. In 1952, Cook Hospital decided to expand to 72 beds and focus solely on children as Cook Children's Hospital and added rehabilitation equipment for polio patients. By 1961, Fort Worth Children's

"He who saves a life saves Hospital moved away from its cancer treatment to premature births and complications from childbirth. The Teddy 1980, officials at both hospitals resources and merging into one large hospital. A newly-formed which was completed in 1985. The hospitals were consolidat-

a staff of 62, two planes, five away. A system of urgent care clinics and specialty clinics are and are as far away as Midland and San Angelo. The hospital works with doctors and patients in other nations and has brought in patients from the far corners of the world.

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in 1987. The 183-bed expansion was completed in 1989, which included a skybridge connecting it to Harris Methodist Hospital that resembled a castle to help put children more at ease.

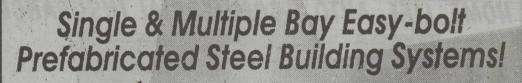
The name eventually became Cook Children's Hospital. Since 2001, the hospital has invested more than \$100 million in new facilities, expanded care, and the latest equipment. The hospital now has 443 beds at its main campus in Fort Worth and has expanded to include an outpatient hospital in neighboring Hurst which opened in 2004. The system employs more than 200 doctors. The staff routinely deals with situations from injuries to psychological conditions to drkenbridges@gmail.com.

others has made tremendous strides in ending that affliction, most certainly for the thousands of young patients treated there for its century of existence. For the doctors, nurses, and technicians at Cook Children's, the healing mission has been advanced by providing the most cutting-edge research and technology. For the children arriving as patients and their parents, it has provided hope.

Personal note: In 2002, the doctors and nurses of Cook Children's Hospital saved the life of the author's newborn son, Kaleb. ###

Dr. Ken Bridges is a Texas native, writer, and history professor. He can be reached at

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Pioneer Ex-Students Get Together at School Reunion on Saturday

Pioneer School Ex-Students and their family members gathered at the Cross Plains Senior Center on Saturday morning.

Memorials were read for students and/or their spouses who passed away in the past year: Marilyn Aiken, Jeff Brown, Cleve Waylon "C.W." Carey, Jean Cash David, Nelda Rose Purvis Dean (wife of Bob Dean), Eugene "Deaner" Gibson Sr., Thelma Louise Parrish Pennell Grider (wife of Dick Grider), Velma Parrish Jones Lee (sister to Dick Grider), Neil Bush (husband of JoVeda Fleming Bush), Geraldine Underwood (wife of Lyman Underwood), Arley Bibby, Vunell Searcy Lamb.

Vice President N.A. Roady read the memorials as President Allison McGowan Ames and family members of the deceased student placed flowers in their memory into a vase.

Ray Curry, 91, received the award for being the oldest man attending the reunion. Wanda Flippin Nelson was the oldest woman.

Laura Medley of San Antonio, granddaughter of Pioneer student Kenneth Brooks, came the farthest to the reunion.

Susan Brown Bridges received an award for her years of service to the Ex-Students Reunion.

The Pioneer School Reunion is held on the last Saturday in June each year.



was at the Reunion in honor of her mother, Marilyn Aiken.



Susan Brown Bridges received a certificate for her service to the reunion. Susan also honored her brother, Jeff who passed away during the year.



Ray Curry, 91, of Abilene, received the award for being the oldest man at the reunion. Allison McGowan Ames, left and Ray's daughter Taina Curry, helped him celebrate.



Everyone enjoyed looking at old photographs and vearbooks.

Marshall Searcy attended

in honor of his sister

Vunell Searcy Lamb.









Identifying people in the photographs - Reuben McCowen, Bonita Horton and Mae Jones look over an old photo.



Wanda Flippin Nelson and Don Nelson. Wanda received the award for being the oldest woman at the reunion.



ou Brooks and her granddaughter, Laura Medley. aura travelled the most distance to come to the eunion.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TO DISCUSS PROPOSED TAX RATE

CROSS PLAINS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

(name of school district)

8:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 13, 2017 will hold a public meeting at

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(time, date, year)

the Cross Plains High School Library located at 700 N. Main

(name of room, building, physical location)

in Cross Plains, TX (city, state)

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The school district has elected to adopt a tax rate before receiving the certified appraisal roll from the chief appraiser(s) of the appraisal district(s) and before adopting a budget. In accordance with Tax Code Section 26.05(g), the chief appraiser(s) of the appraisal district(s) in which the school district participates has (have) certified to the assessor for the school district an estimate of the taxable value of property in the school district as provided by Tax Code Section 26.01(e). In accordance with Education Code Section 44.004(j), following adoption of the tax rate, the school district will publish notice and hold another public meeting before the school district adopts a budget.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.17	_/\$100	(Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	\$ 0.00	_/\$100	(Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

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All values identified are based on estimate(s) of taxable value received pursuant to Tax Code Section 26.01(e). "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).

"New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17). "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

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Palm City, FL

Early Morning Visitors to Museum

As in really early 7:30! and had sent the docents an John Teixeira of Charlottesville, VA had been visiting friends in Dallas and just decided to check out numerous military sites around the state. Confessed to having a special interest in Texas history even as he lives way back east. He was working on his bucket list and the REH Museum was a destination point on his rambling drive. John had recently retired from a career in law enforcement; referring specifically to his time spent with the suicide unit. Gruesome thought so early in the morning!!

However, on a more positive note, John also referred to his involvement with a Methodist Church where he had volunteered for years as a youth leader.

"Tex," as he is rather obviously called, had quite the in-depth interest in all of Howard's various writings and loved reading them from the historical aspect. As he was paying for a t-shirt and some books, another early riser walked through the door.

Rob Lowery from Palm City, FL was passing through town the Museum.

e-mail about midnight asking about a tour. Even as that tour did not get organized in time, he just drove by the Museum anyway and much to his delight, found the front door open!

Rob has long been an avid reader of all of Howard's many genres; however he claimed a special interest in the true western stories. The boxing stories were also a favorite of his, considerably different interests from most visitors.

Lowery teaches biology at the Indian River State College in Ft. Pierce, FL and noted that Cal Ripken is one of the more notable graduates from the college. That's THE Cal Ripken of 21 years with the Baltimore Orioles.

Rob was so excited about being able to visit the Museum that he put his new cap on his head and drove off without the rest of his purchases! But a quick confirmation of his mailing address and the purchases were on their way to Florida.

Each day a new adventure at



they clean it up. Anthony and

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness*

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Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at

1.04 an election is

(the school district rollback rate determined under Section 26.08, Tax Code)

This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate

1.04 (the school district rollback rate)

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

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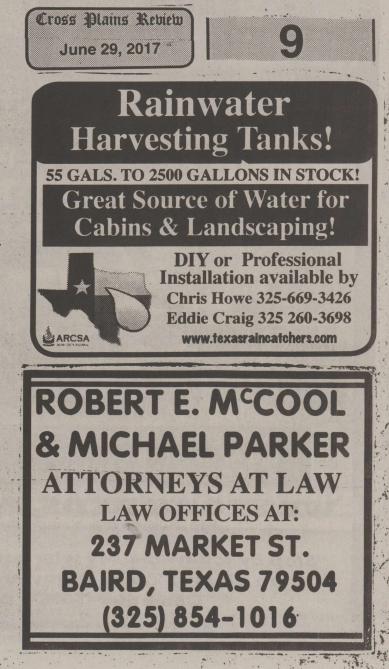
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The rumors are true... community!

Chamber Member's, Anthony and Darla Hutton purchased 3 lots, located on the corner of S. Main St (S. HWY 206) and SW 7th St. last Friday. Their intentions with these 3 lots are to relocate their business, Anthony's Automotive. Over the next several weeks you will see the land improve as

Anthony's Automotive is his wife have hopes that the relocating to better serve the construction phase will start over the next few months. Eventually, the public will see a 40X50X12 Metal structure placed on their property. Their building will have two offices, two bays with lifts and plenty of parking room. For now, Anthony's Automotive will still continue to serve the public at 417 Chestnut St. Stay tuned for updates!





Mildred Hoegler celebrated her 97th Birthday. She was honored with a special birthday cake from Barr Fabrication and the Cross Plains Senior Center.



Celebrating June Birthdays at the Senior Center - Jewel Purvis, Linda Burns and Ron Collins. The honorees were given special birthday cakes and presents from Barr Fabrication. Cakes and presents were also delivered to birthday celebrators who receive home delivered meals. Barr Fabrication also furnishes cupcakes each month for everyone at the Senior Center.

Summer Reading Program: Building Bird Houses on Wednesday, July 5th

The Cross Plains Public Library Summer Reading Program continues on Wednesday, July 5th with "Building Bird Houses". Students can have fun every Wednesday afternoon learning and building bird houses, cup cakes, stamp collections and signs.

The Summer Reading Program ends on August 2nd with the very popular "Splash in the Park". The remaining summer reading programs:

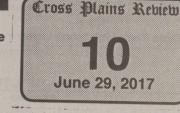
July 5 - Building Bird Houses July 12th - Building a Stamp Collection

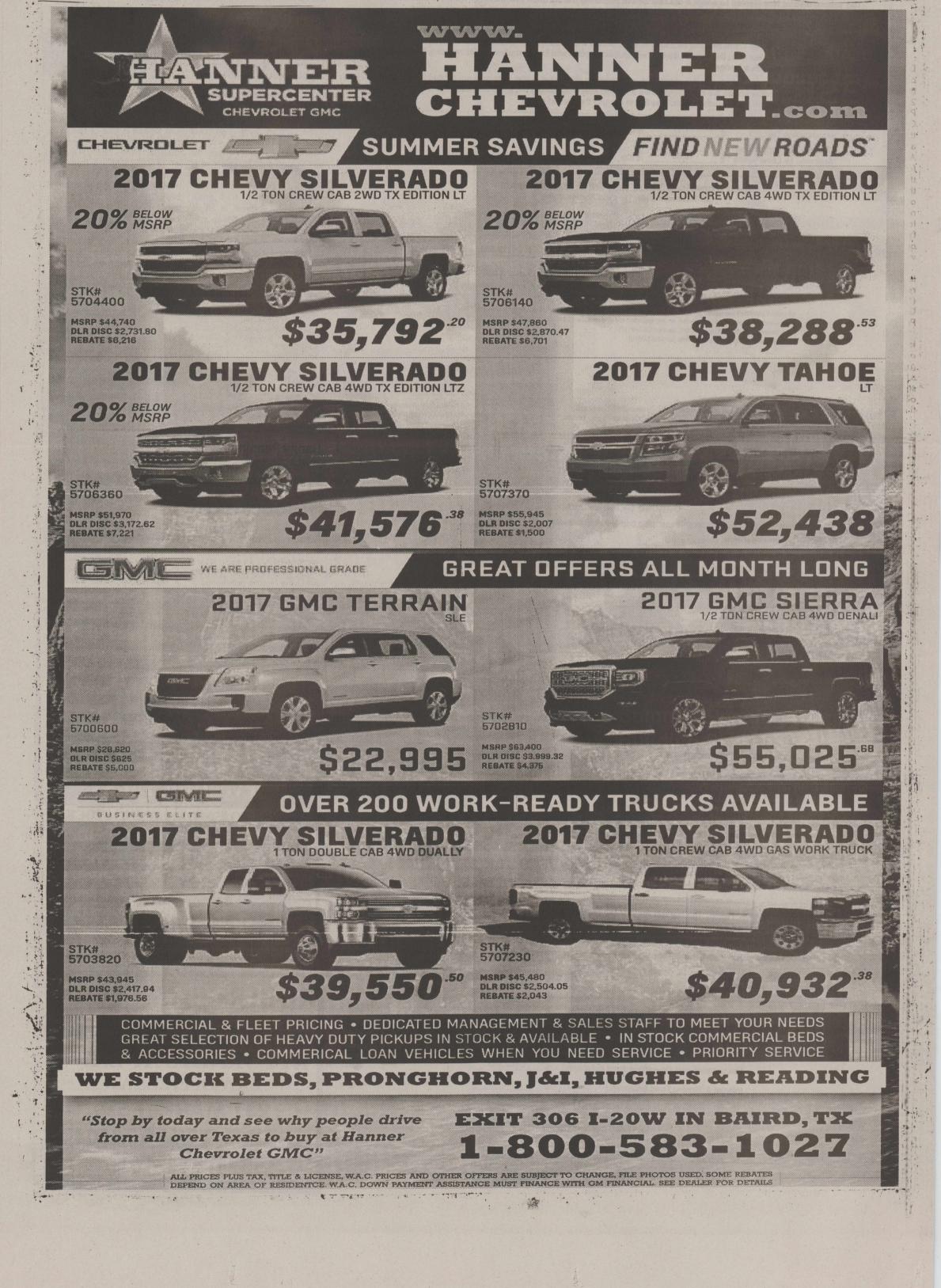
July 19th - Building a Cup Cake

July 26th - Building Signs and Posters

August 2nd - Splash in the Park

All of the programs start at 1:30 p.m.







Independen

American Independence Day is our national holiday commemorating adoption of theDeclarationofIndependence 241 years ago on July 4, 1776 in Philadelphia by the Continental Congress. Separation from during the 116 days of the the British Empire monarchy and church began with the American Revolution and was followed by military defeat of the British and establishment of the independent United States of America by our courageous revolutionary Founders. They fought and won independence from the control of an oppressive government and its version of religion.

The Declaration, which is not law, used only universal terms recognized by all religions ("Laws of Nature ", "Nature's God ", "Creator " & "Divine Providence ").

The Constitution is the original legal document establishing our independent form of secular government, its organization and operation. The Preamble states the 6 secular reasons our nation was created for "We the People ". The Constitution contains no religious deity reference and commands "no religious test" shall ever ' created by our Founders are be required as a qualification to any public office or public trust. History documents no public prayers were provided. Constitutional Convention.

Our secular Constitution provides 3 independent government branches as a check and balance on power. The legislative branch enacts based on religion). This was law, executive branch executes law and judicial branch interprets law with the exclusive power to decide all cases arising under the Constitution.

The first 10 Amendments are our Bill of Rights providing independent liberties for Americans. 17 additional Amendments have also been enacted by Congress and ratified by the states.

The First Amendment provides, respectively, our trinity of independent religious liberties - freedom from public religion, freedom of private religion provided the rights of others are not violated, and freedom of speech about religion.

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The original national mottoes secular: "E Pluribus Unum (Out of Many One) - on first currency; "Novos Ardo. Seclorum " (New Order of the Ages); and "Annuit Coeptis " (Undertakings Favored).

It is fact, history and law we were created by the 1787 Constitution as an independent secular nation (not one confirmed by the 1791 First Amendment and permanently settled by the 1797 Treaty of Tripoli, a publicly recorded and preserved international legal document, boldly declaring to the world "...THE UNITED STATES IS NOT IN ANY SENSE FOUNDED ON THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION It was negotiated during 1st President George Washington's administration, unanimously ratified by the Senate and signed by 2nd President John Adams. The American Consul to Algiers, Joel Barlow (Revolutionary War chaplain & Washington appointee), negotiated the treaty, co-authored the Arabic

version signed abroad during Washington's presidency and authored the English version ratified and signed in the US during Adams' presidency.

World history records the catastrophic conflicts and humanharmcausedthroughout Europe when governments and religion were combined and mutually dependent. Separation of church and state is an independent liberty of free people that keeps public government out of private religion and private religion out of public government. It was clearly our Founders' intent as confirmed by the Constitution and First Amendment, indisputably documented by countless historical records, publicly acknowledged by every President, continuously confirmed by the Judiciary, and firmly embedded in the established law of our land. It is also provided by the Texas Constitution.

We became the first nation in history to create a Constitution that lawfully protects independent freedom of belief. Our visionary Founders, by their actions, knew individual freedom of conscience could not exist without separating government and religion.

We can celebrate with patriotic pride that religious freedoms flourish because of American Independence. The US Department of

its official list of recognized religions for the military alone that includes 221 different faith and belief groups. Unqualified history deniers Meals

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and religious revisionists intentionally ignore and deceitfully dispute these! factual, historical and lawful truths. They are entitled to their own ill-advised opinions, but never to their own facts, history, law and truth.

It is significant the independent eagle was selected as our national symbol. Eagles are free and fearless like our revolutionary founders. You find them one at a time and, unlike submissive species, they do not flock or follow. May all loval Americans celebrate our American Independence by becoming more like the noble eagle and less like herded sheep.

The very definition of a republic is a nation "...of laws and not of man." - 2nd President JOHN ADAMS ("Thoughts on Government ", 1776).

"We establish no religion in this country, we command no worship, we mandate no belief, nor will we ever. Church and state are and must remain separate." - 40th President RONALD REAGAN (public speech, Valley Stream, New York, 1984).

Abilene High School (Diploma), Texas Tech University (BA, Government), University of Texas (JD, Law), Brigadier General, Judge Advocate General's Corps, US Army (Retired), former Chief Judge, US Army Court of Military Review, **Disabled American Veteran** (Vietnam) & West Texas



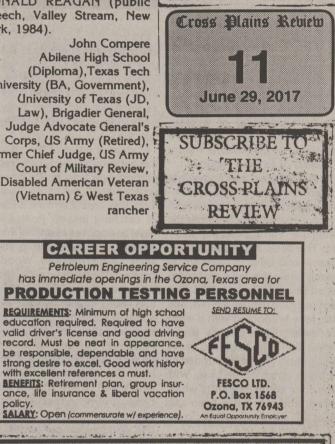
~ 二茶花

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

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

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

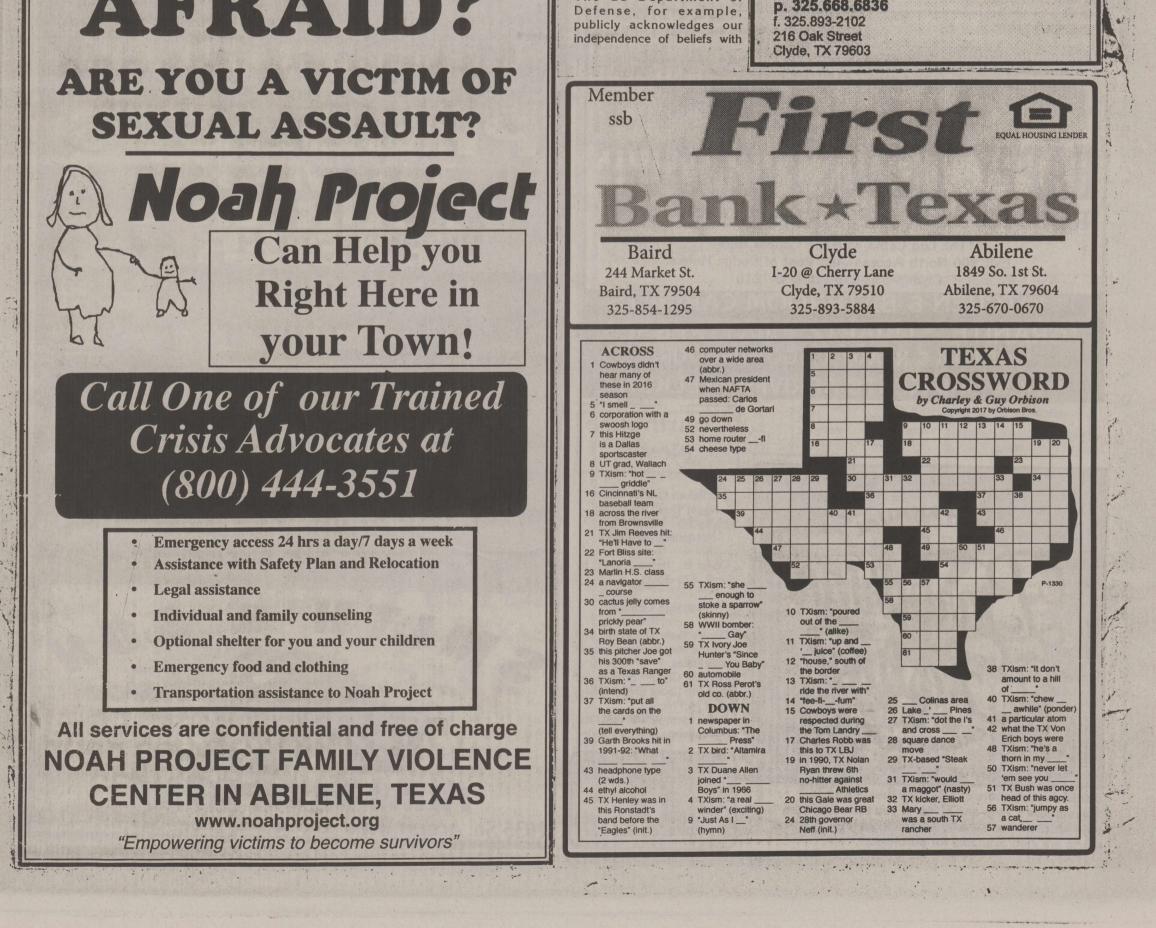
The Cross Plains Senior Center seeks to nurture our aging population through nutritional, social, *and educational programs. Our goal is for all Seniors, both well and frail, to utilize our services to enrich their lives.

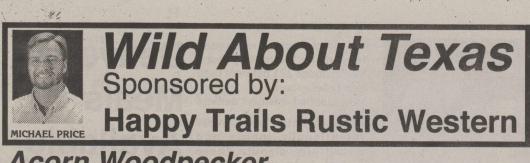


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Acorn Woodpecker

Woodpeckers of various species are familiar to most people, even to those who do not spend · much time outdoors. Perhaps this familiarity is due to the famous cartoon character Woody Woodpecker, who incidentally still annoys me with his laugh as much now as he did when I was a kid. But the natural form of these birds are nothing like their animated counterpart, particularly one species that has a very limited range in this great state.

The Acorn Woodpecker (Melanerpes formicivorus) is one of a dozen avian species that belongs to the family PICADAE that can be observed in Texas, and it is one that has a very restricted range in this state. This attractive bird variety can only be viewed in the higher elevations of the Chisos, Davis, Guadalupe, Sierra Vieja, and Franklin Mountains of western Texas. It is not a migratory species, and as such, it can be spotted in these mountain ranges year-round. Outside of this state, this woodpecker spe-

along the west Coast, as well as that this species possesses. na, southwestern New Mexico, their loot from animals such of gliding. southward along the Sierra as squirrels and other birds, Madre Occidental of western particularly other woodpecker Mexico eastward to the northern species. portions of the Sierra Madre Oriental of eastern Mexico.

This attractive and somewhat primarily on insects like other colorful species of bird is mod- types of woodpeckers do. Howerately small, with a body length ever, this variety is more adept approximately 9 inches while the at catching insects in midair wingspan can approach 17 inch-flight as opposed to drilling into es. The back, shoulders, wings, trees like the more commonly breast and sides of head are all seen Ladder-backed Woodblack while the belly and sides pecker. Nevertheless, Acorn i are white with black streaks. The Woodpeckers will cling to a entire top of the head is red, and tree vertically with its specially the face is adorned with a white adapted feet while banging its forehead, white cheeks, and a head into the trunk of the tree white chin. The large and heavy repeatedly as it attempts to stir the color combinations of white, penetrated, these insects are may be produced. black and red, it has been said carefully removed from the tree that this species is rather clown- by the long, barbed tongue that Texas, Acorn Woodpeckers are a like in appearance.

The Acorn Woodpecker is a will also utilize this technique gregarious species, living in to acquire tree sap. groups of birds called clans. Many are heard before they These clans are known to store are actually seen when they acorns (their primary food make their high-pitched re-These acorns are stored in holes hunting ground. Their flight fullprice71@gmail.com. that have been drilled by the

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Acorn Woodpecker (Melanerpes formicivorus)

In warmer times of the year, this noteworthy species will feed

cies lives in disjunct populations extremely well-supported beak pattern consists of an up-anddown flight with rapidly beating central and southeastern Arizo- These clans will also defend wings alternating with short times

> As previously stated, these birds typically prefer to live a collective lifestyle during the majority of the year, including during the breeding season. Studies have shown that up to 16 individuals will live communally and will share nests. In fact, not only do both of the parents incubate the eggs and feed the young, but several "helper" birds will assist in performing those duties as well.

The eggs are white and number between 3 and 7 per brood. Incubation time is only about 2 weeks, and the young are unable to take care of themselves at hatching. Typically only one brood per year bill is dark, and is surrounded by up the insects living inside of the is produced, although in times of a black patch at the base. With bark. Once the bark has been abundant moisture, a second litter

> Despite their limited range in this woodpecker possesses. It common to nearly abundant bird. By far the most significant issue that this species faces is habitat destruction.

Editor's Note: Michael Price source during the winter months) petitive "waka" sound while would love to hear from folks! He in the same tree year after year. flying from hunting ground to can be reached by email at www.



Left to right: Alan Powell, Faye Powell, Penny Chapman, Ethan Chapman, Nicki Chapman

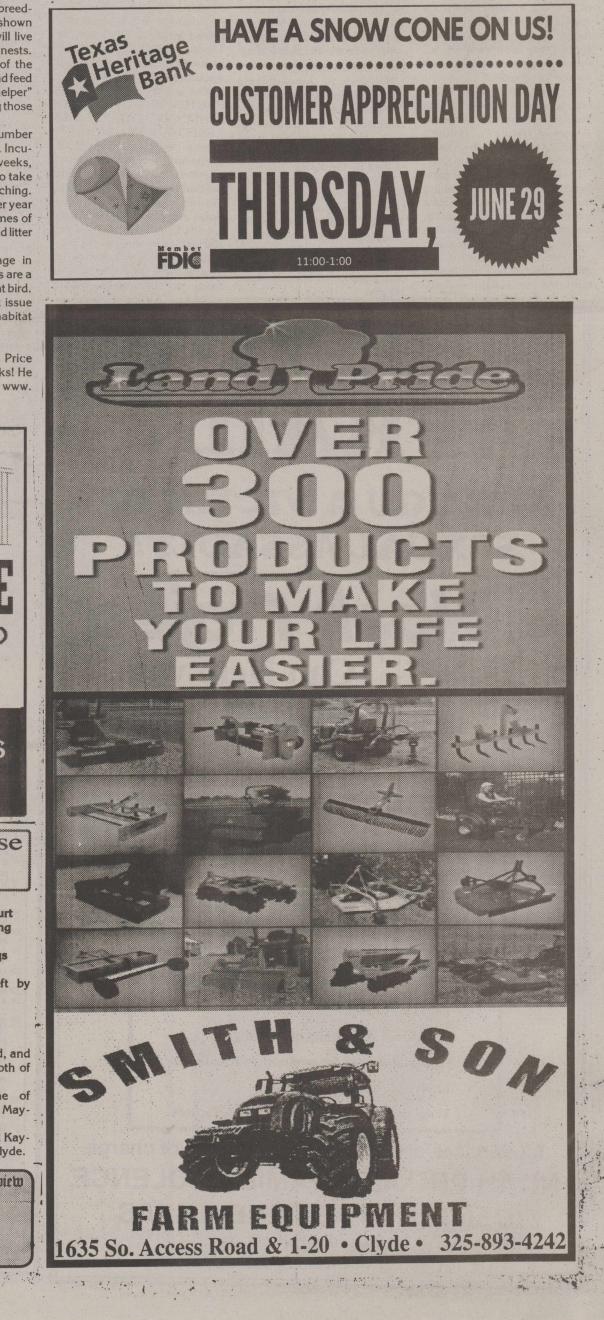
REH Museum attracts visitors from Canada

Alan and Faye Powell of Alberta, Canada were visiting his extended family in Belton and decided to make a day trip to Cross Plains and the REH Museum. Accompanying the Powell's were his sister, Penny Chapman and her children, Nicki and Ethan. Alan was the Howard fan, Penny was the museum fan and Ethan, as a 7th grader, was the disinterested fan Alan, by way of his father,

had first become interested in the paperbacks with the beautiful cover illustrations by Frank Frazetta. He had come to appreciate the way Howard incorporated actual ancient history into his writings. Was actually hard pressed to find any publications in the Museum shop that he did not already

have.

Alan is a minister in one of a variety of Baptist Churches in Alberta. Faye is a play school teacher, Nicki is a Pre-K special needs teacher and Penny teaches special need students at a middle school. Ethan has definite plans to pursue a career in the music field as he loves the entire range of percussion instruments





Callahan County Library News

New to the library are: Darkness by Karen Robards, Blame it on the Cowboy by Delores Fossen, and for kids: The Unwanteds and The Unwanteds: Island of Silence by Lisa Mc-Mann.

From the Past Callahan County Clarendon

Saturday, August 12, 1882 Vol. III, No. 19

Local News (con't.)

The Messrs. Hearn shipped on Thursday two car loads of cattle, one of which contained probably the heaviest lot that ever left this country, many of them weighing as high as 1500 lbs. Mesquite grass does the business for them.

Messrs. Bush & Braymer came in Thursday night bringing two car loads of registered Spanish Merino bucks which they brought from Addison coun- before opposed to a removal ty, Vermont. They unloaded of the county seat now say it them at the yards here yester- should be done - that Baird is

day morning

A very heavy rain fell here last Wednesday noon. We are now, instead of complaining about drouthy weather, having almost too much rain. But we live in a country where there is no danger of floods nor sickness. Healthy and wealthy north-west Texas.

Mr. John C. McCombs sold his cattle this week to Mr. C. W. Merchant at \$15 per head, counting calves. John has now turned out into a full fledged sheep man, having already bought 600 head of these wool producing animals. He intends to increase his heard to 1500 head.

We have received many very handsome compliments upon our article last week touching upon the removal of the county seat from Belle Plain to Baird. Even those who were

the proper place for it

Last Wednesday night the engine from passenger train No. 1, in running to the round

house collided with an engine which was on the turntable, throwing both into the pit, and doing considerable damage to the passenger engine. The wrecker came from the west and lifted them out, on the day following.

We regret very much to hear that friend Dr. S. K. Smith, that very popular dentist of Sipe Springs, received severe injuries while at Abilene last Wednesday night, by falling from the depot platform, a distance of about five feet, severely bruising the left thigh and fracturing the bones. He suffered excruciating pain but will doubtless recover in a few weeks. His many warm friends here will regret to learn of the accident.

Plover are very plentiful upon our prairies now and sports-

men enjoy the sport of shooting them. Mr. Geo. M. Hathaway, of New York, who went out last week, bagged quite a number of these birds; he says that for once in his life he succeeded in finding as many birds as he wanted to kill. We frequently see these birds within gun-shot range of our office door, while prairie dogs by the hundreds are feeding upon the fine grass upon our door yard. Price Brothers, who lately came to Callahan county to engage in the sheep business, have bought the senior Mr. Askey's place a few miles north-west of Baird. Mr. Askey has bought property in town of Mr. F. A. Parrott and will move to town and start a dairy. This is a move in the right direction, and we hope it will prove highly successful and profitable.

Does sheep raising pay in Callahan county? We should smile. Jack spring ranch and a flock of sheep, Mr. C. C.

Parkman of Mississippi, became a silent partner investing \$1,600. A few days since he sold out for \$2,500. Thus he cleared \$900 with a \$1.600 investment in one year and he never even gave the business his personal attention.



Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Banquet set for July 20th

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will be hosting our annual banquet on Thursday, July 20, 2017, at 6:30pm at the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains. The guest speaker this year will be Karl Winge, Callahan County Extension Agent. There will be a cake auction and door prizes given away. The banquet will be catered by Mexico City Cafe and the menu includes a Chicken Fried Steak Plate

served with baked potato, dinner salad, green beans, roll, tea, and cake for dessert.

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce would like to take this opportunity to cordially invite you to attend our banquet. Tickets can be purchased for \$15 with ticket locations TBA!

The Chamber looks forward to seeing you at the Banquet!



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Callahan County July agricultural newsletter

Karl's Korner

Summer is here and here to stay for a while. I've been making the rounds to get to know people of Callahan County. It will be a long process, but the office door is open to come by meet me also. I just had my first program over container gardening and basic lawn care in May. The conference room in the extension office was packed. We ended up having twenty one people attend that program. I'm planning on having other programs in next several months. We are currently doing a prickly pear rate study. One thing I learned on this research so far, make sure you have tools or have a gun in your truck. You never know what you may walk up to in the tall grass. Callahan County can official grow large **RATTLESNAKE!** So when you are out and about, make point to watch and listen to your surroundings. Good thing he rattled. I'm also in the process of doing applied research on house flies. I will have more information about this research in the upcoming newsletter. We have a new Facebook Page for Callahan County Extension Office-Agriculture. Go ahead and check it out. We have a lot of things going on in Callahan County

2017 Callahan County **Prickly Pear Rate** Study

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We are currently during applied research and demonstration on prickly pears in Callahan County

Location for these plots are just south of Baird. We are using three products for this research. The products used in the research are Tordon 22K, Surmount, and GF 2969. Many have used Tordon and Surmount for prickly pear, but GF 2969 is a new product that is not out on the market. We have six plots of prickly pears. Four of the six plots are GF-2969. The four plots are GF-2969 are at different rate. The rates sprayed of GF-2969 are at .25%, .5%, .75%, and 1.0%. We are hoping to find a rate that will help keep the cost down and still be able to have a successful kill on prickly pear. GF-2969 has been very successful on killing prickly pear and especially at a quicker rate. This applied research and demonstration will be something to watch over this next year. We will also have a field day to look at these plots. upcoming event in May and University. Today the highly

day, gone the next. **Callahan County Predator**

Association or even in the last couple of wheat, probably a majority of the farmers saw some form of damage from feral hogs. This creates many losses especially losses in money to

farmers and ranchers. So far this year has been the most productive in trapping of hogs. The Callahan County Predator Control Association uses funds or grants to help in the control of feral hogs. At this time, the Association has four traps that are baited and set. From January to May of this year, 1018 feral hogs have been trapped. Currently the association is sending a helicopter in the air to also help in the control of feral hogs. At this rate, the association may double on the capture of feral hogs than in 2016. Feral hogs continue to be a growing concern with in Callahan County and across the State of Texas.

The association has turned in a number over five thousand feral hogs trapped or hunted by aerial in last six years. This does not include the number for this year. The association also helps in the control of coyotes. Coyotes are a predator that kills farmers and ranchers livestock. This also creates loss of money for farmers and ranchers. The association through trapping and aerial hunts have caught or killed over 1082 coyotes in the past six years. As to date, the association has trapped or aerial hunt over 7200 feral hogs and coyotes. This is over half the population of Callahan County. The association will continue to work with farmers and ranchers to help in the control of predators with in Callahan County. If there are any questions, come by the Callahan Extension office or 854-5835.

What could be bugging you, pets, and livestock.

what needs to be done for the Course held at Texas A&M Details of the field day too come June. After my observation, respected TAM Beef Cattle

aware. I think of them similar to something further down in the the Fall Army Worm. Here one 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 Many landowners have seen grazing. I believe farmers and some form of damage from ranchers should make a point feral hogs in past several years to check their livestock for ticks. There are several ways to days. As many wheat farmers control ticks on livestock with are finish with harvesting 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 in production of wheat and 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 aphids, fire ants, and mites. When using these products, always make a point to read the label and go by the label

Callahan County Extension-Agriculture has **Facebook Page** This is new way to keep in touch with Callahan extension office. Go and Check it out.

> **Beef Cattle** Short Course

Held August 7-9, 2017 at Texas A&M University The Texas A&M Beef Cattle Short Course has a rich tradition and historical place in the programs emanating from the Department of Animal Science at Texas A&M University. Dating as far back as 1942, Professor John K Riggs started the first in a series of Beef Cattle Short Courses held on the campus of Texas A&M College give the office a call at 325- to discuss the results of beef cattle research from the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station with Texas beef producers. I went over to the Callahan This historical beginning and Shooting Sports Archery Range purpose is still the standard to look at the 3D course to see today for the Beef Cattle Short

are designed for everyone, from the newest member of the industry to the most seasoned producer. A number of pesticide CEUs, veterinarian CECs and BQA credits are available to attendees Additionally, over 125 agriculture related businesses and trade show exhibitors annually attend the course and attest to the fact that it is the most highly attended activity of its kind anywhere in the United States. Annually over 1400 participants attend the Beef Cattle Short Course to gain valuable knowledge about beef cattle production. If you need in any additional information, call the extension

office at 325-854-5835. Brown County Range and

Brush program The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct the Brown County Range and Brush Program July 6 at the Brown County Fairgrounds, 4206 U.S. Highway 377 South in Brownwood. Registration will start at 3:30 p.m. with the program following from 4-9 p.m.

"Brush encroachment into our pastures continues to be an expensive problem to deal with," said Scott Anderson, AgriLife Extension agent in Brown County. "It doesn't take long for weeds and brush to choke out good desirable grasses, forcing a reduction in stocking rates of livestock. If left unchecked, these pasture invaders can make large areas undesirable even for some wildlife

"The overriding theme for this program will be all about using herbicides responsibly to enhance desirable forage for both livestock and wildlife."

Topics and speakers will include:

-Sprayer set-up demonstration, James Jackson, AgriLife Extension program specialist, Stephenville.

-Herbicide stewardship, Dr. Bob Lyons, AgriLife Extension range specialist, Uvalde. -Range/brush herbicide use, Ralph Porter, Dow

AgroSciences, Abilene. -What we forget about when using herbicides, Dr. Morgan Russell, San Angelo.

-Pesticidelawsandregulations, Anderson.

Five Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units, three general and two laws and regulations, will be offered.

Senior Citizens Center Activities

July 3rd -July 7th

Monday-3rd- Exercise 11:00/Music Jam 6:00 pm/ Creating safe and Healthier Meals

Tuesday-4th Center Closed-City Celebration Treadway Park

Wednesday-5th Exercise 11:00

Thursday-6th Exercise 11:00/ Manicures by Kindred at Home of Eastland

Friday-7th Bingo 11:15 Interim Hospice

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

July 3rd -July 7th

Monday 3rd-Brisket, Po- Thursday 6th- Baked Sautato Salad, Pinto Beans, sage, Potato Salad, Spin-Bread, Dessert ach, Bread, Dessert

Tuesday 4th -Center	Friday 7th-Taco Salad
Closed	with Meat, Cheese, Beans,
Wednesday 5th-Chicken Alfredo with Noodles,Let-	Chips, Picante Sauce, Fruit, Cookie
tuce & Tomato Salad, Mixed Fruit, Bread, Dessert	MEAL IS SERVED - 11:45 A.M 12:30 P.M.
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Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

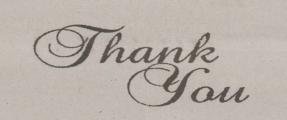
Blood Drive in Cross Plains on July 5th

A community blood drive will take place at First Baptist Church on Wednesday, July 5. The Meek Blood Center bloodmobile will be there from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m.

"There is no substitute for blood. Our volunteer donors provide 100% of the blood that is used for patient care in 17 area hospitals," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter." "Blood donors give the precious gift of

life, which allows someone to have another birthday, another anniversary or another holiday with family and friends," Baker continued.

Each donor will receive a T-shirt, as well as a complimentary total cholesterol test. Those who have eligibility questions may call 325-670-2880. For the latest news and updates follow us at facebook. com/meekbloodcenter.



The Family of Bill Melton wants to give heartfelt thanks to everyone or the kindness and generosity given to him during his lengthy illness and passing. The visits, cards, food and monetary donations were greatly appreciated.

in a later date.

Pecan Tree Issues Walnut Caterpillars is a foliage feeder of tree. They primarily feed on hickories and walnut tree hint the name Walnut Caterpillars. Here in Texas, they will feed on pecans. It has been long time (early 1970) since there was a major state wide infestation. This insect has the potential to go from undetectable populations in one generation to a major outbreak the next. It is important to monitor and awareness cannot be over stated. This sample came from a land owner that has several pecan trees in Callahan County. When I first ranchers this year. In February, range, and purebred cattle. saw this, I remember seeing we had to check tattoos on my this in a new article. They are daughter show heifers. While here in Callahan County and be checking the ears, we noticed featured at this BCSC. Sessions

I went back to the office to Short Course is nationally and get ready for mohair judging internationally recognized as practice. As I set at my desk, I noticed something crawling on educational program of its type my pants leg. It was a tick that in the world. It has I picked up at the

cling to my arm. It was a tick. agencies alike as the focal point So if you are out in the pasture I would make a point to make College features more than 20 sure that you don't have ticks concurrent sessions. crawling on you.

the largest attended beef cattle gained the respect from

Archery Range. Even a couple organizations, associations, weeks ago, I noticed something Land Grant universities and for beef cattle educational or walking through the brush, information. The Cattleman's

Topics include animal With the mild winter and health, nutrition, reproduction, wet conditions we had this breeding, genetics, selection, last winter, I figure ticks and research, marketing and fleas could be an issue for handling. Management sessions homeowners, farmers, and will cover business, forage, Topics such as landowner issues and fence building will be

Preregistration by July 3 is \$30 and \$35 thereafter. Both fees are due upon arrival and include a catered meal. To preregister and for more information, call the AgriLife Extension office in Brown County at 325-646-0386

Up Coming Events July 6th Brown County Range and Brush Program

July 21st Callahan Ag and Natural Resource Committee Meeting

August 7th-9th Beef Cattle Short Course at College Station, TX August 16th-18th Texas Quail

Symposium in Abilene, TX August 16th-18th Texas Sheep and Goat Expo in San Angelo, TX

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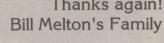
postage budget, the Callahan County Extension office is having to make some changes in the way that the Ag. Newsletters are distributed. The newsletter is currently posted on the county website and mailed to producers. However, at some point in the future we will be going to email only. We are asking producers to email the County Extension office at Callahan@ag.tamu.edu with

Karl Winge

Special thanks to Bro Ronnie White and Bro Maxie Evans For the service. And their many visits. Also Bro Kenneth Reiter and the deacons of the First Baptist Church. The Baptist ladies for the lunch prepared the day of the service, And the service Citizens Center for the meals provided daily. Also Bill's graduating Class of 1971 for their gifts.

Thanks again!

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