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Extension Agent Karl Winge to Speak at Chamber Banquet on July 20th

Karl Winge County Extension Agent for Callahan County will be the guest speaker for the 2017 chamber annual banquet. The annual banquet will be hosted on Thursday, July 20, 2017, at 6:30pm at the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains.

Karl Winge became the County Extension Agent for Callahan County in February.

He knows the stock barns of the major livestock shows better than his office. Winge's first day was at the Fort Worth Stock Show, then a trip to the San Angelo Stock Show and on to San Antonio.

"I started at a busy time, have managed a day or two in the office, but am loving it," Winge said.

A native of Eastland County, Winge was raised on a peanut farm just south of Cisco, and grew up being involved in the 4-H program. Winge earned a bachelor's degree in horticulture and landscape management from Tarleton State University and also holds an associate degree of science in general agriculture from Cisco College.

His past work experience includes managing and later owning and operating turf grass firms in Clyde, assistant superintendent at Diamondback Golf Club and second assistant superintendent at Abilene Country Club.

Prior to his appointment in

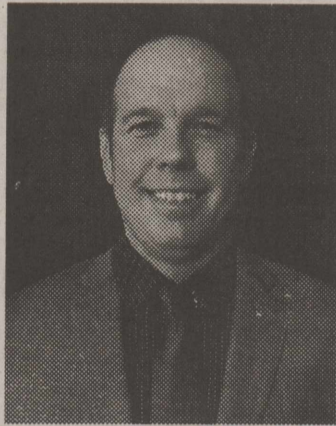
Callahan County, Winge was very active as a volunteer role with the Eastland County 4-H program. He has served as a 4-H club manager, president of the Eastland County adult 4-H leaders association and has been a board member of the Eastland County Livestock Raisers. Winge has been a trainer for first and third-year officials for the Abilene Basketball Chapter. Because of his dedication to youth, many people encouraged him to look into becoming a Extension agent.

In addition to his youth activities, Winge has experience in beef cattle production both from his family and his wife's family. Kerstin owns and manages a Angus cattle operation.

As Winge becomes settled in his new role, he has outlined several goals for the overall program in Callahan County. Taking an established program as a base, he hopes to expand the forage program as well as the beef program.

"Callahan County is a very unique county with a great deal of diversity, and I hope to provide educational opportunities for all producers in the county," he said. "I also want to address the continuing feral hog problem and hopefully make some headway in this situation."

4-H and youth development



Callahan County Extension Agent Karl Winge

will always be one of Winge's main objective, with plans to increase activities and provide more opportunities, such as judging teams, he said.

Winge, and his wife have one daughter, Kilye, 11, who is very active in the 4-H program with beef projects.

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 at the Chamber Office, Texas Heritage Bank, City Hall, Cross Plains Review, and any board or director. The deadline to purchase your tickets is Wednesday, July 17, 2017 at noon.

The Chamber looks forward to seeing you at the Banquet!



Fireworks lit up the night sky last Tuesday night in celebration of July 4th. The City of Cross Plains' Fireworks Show was viewed by hundreds of people who lined the roads and enjoyed the festivities earlier in the evening at Treadway Park. Photos inside.



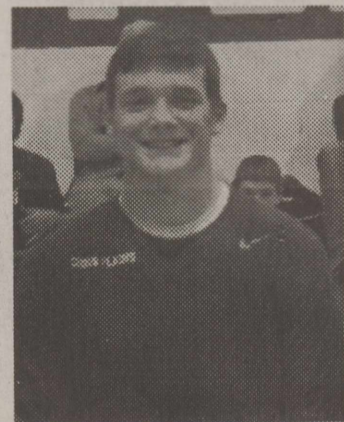
Senclair Grabs a Rebound and Hurls it at the Basket

Holden Senclair's Buzzer Beating Full-Court Shot Named KTXS Sports' Play of the Year

Seconds were left in the first quarter of the Cross Plains vs. Panther Creek Basketball Game in January, when Forward Holden Senclair grabbed a rebound and hurled the ball at the basket at the other end of the court.

This full court basket shot was named KTXS Sports' Play of the School Year, beating out plays across all sports from all other schools in the Big Country Area.

Congratulations to Holden Senclair and CPHS Athletics for this "Play of the Year" honor.



Holden Senclair

50s Day at the Senior Center, Wednesday, July 19th

Celebrate the 1950s at the Senior Center on Wednesday, July 19th - it's 50s Day!

Slick back your hair, pull up your collar and put on your poodle skirt and loafers.

Enjoy hamburgers for lunch that day. Lunch is served at 11:45.

Wednesday, July 19th is also Birthday day! All July Birthdays will be celebrated with cakes and cupcakes provided by Barr Fabrication.



CPVFD Rural Fire Chief J.D. Huddleston dunked in the Dunking Booth at the July 4th Celebration at Treadway Park. Josh Loftis helped the ball throwers keep J.D. and the other participants in the water.

Vacation Bible School at the Methodist Church, July 17 through 20th

Vacation Bible School at the United Methodist Church is just around the corner, Monday, July 17 through Thursday, July 20.

Hero Central: Discover Your Strength in God! is the theme of this year's VBS. Throughout the week, kids will become Super Heroes as they explore how to serve God and experience God's awesome presence in their lives. From the moment VBS begins, VBS Hero Central is designed to introduce a child to a deeper relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Each activity is developed, tested, and refined to be an engaging, age-appropriate experience to bring the word of God alive to every participant and volunteer. VBS Hero Central is based on the Bible and the gospel of the living Christ.

The volunteer staff will take kids on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. VBS Hero Central uses epic music, crafty crafts, heroic recreation, and fantastic Bible stories to help kids (and

leaders) discover their strength in God!

The students will expand on what they've discovered in the Bible stories by participating in a variety of activities; making their own art projects, participating in high energy activities, at the recreation station, and enjoying tasty snack snacks. Along the way, they will learn about and help with the Jeremiah 29 project.

The VBS is scheduled for Monday, July 17 through Thursday, July 20, 6:00-8:30 each evening. Kids who have completed pre-K through 6th grade will move through activities focused on Bible stories, missions, crafts, music and recreation with a light snack being served each evening.

VBS will conclude on Thursday evening with an open house and refreshments for the entire family.

For more information, please contact Melody McWilliams 325-669-7371, Jean McWilliams 725-6455 or the Methodist Church 725-7377.

Free Advanced Planning Seminar at Higginbotham Funeral Home on July 20th

Higginbotham Funeral Home will host a Free Advance Planning Seminar on Thursday, July 20th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

John Scott Odom, Attorney at Law, will explain legal tools that can help protect your family including wills, powers of attorney and trusts.

Greg Whitten, Administrator of Rising Star Nursing Center, will share his experience working with families and seniors and the importance of planning ahead.

Leon Stone, Prearrangement Specialist, will share how advanced funeral planning can help you and your loved ones. Refreshments will be served.

Cancer Walk Slated for Saturday, October 7th

The Cross Plains Community Cancer Walk is scheduled for Saturday, October 7th on the Cross Plains ISD Football Field.

The event brings together churches, organizations and community members united to raise money for the local Cancer Fund, which is used for transportation expenses for cancer patients.

"Sully" Book-to-Movie Event Changed to Thursday, July 27th at 5:30 p.m.

In order not to conflict with the Chamber of Commerce Banquet, the Cross Plains Public Library is moving their book-to-movie event back a week. "Sully," the true story of Captain Chesley Sullenberger of The Miracle on the Hudson, will be shown at the Library on Thursday, July 27th at

Cross Cut Annual Reunion and Cemetery Association Meeting Sunday, July 16th

Cross Cut Reunion eat, shop, and meet your neighbors - past and present.

This Sunday, July 16, is the 94th Annual Cross Cut Reunion and Cemetery Association Meeting at the Cross Plains Community Center. All residents, past and present, are encouraged to attend. The doors open at 11:30 and the festivities begin at noon with

a potluck lunch, followed by a silent auction and a quick meeting. If you can bring a dish or dessert, that would be great, if not, come anyway, we would love to see you. The silent auction is a fundraiser to offset expenses for the reunion and is enjoyed by all. Any items donated to the silent auction would be appreciated. We look forward to seeing you.

a Dutch-treat dinner to discuss the book vs. the movie. If you want to participate, but wish to download the book on your Nook or Kindle, you can be reimbursed with this grant. Just bring your receipt to the library. Join us for a unique opportunity to read his story and view this entertaining film of Sully's life!

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July 4th Celebration - Lots of Fun, Bingo, Hot Dogs, Music and Fireworks

Hundreds of people came out to Treadway Park and celebrated the Fourth of July! The event started out at 5:30 p.m. with live music from BRay and the Humans, sponsored by the City of Cross Plains, Texas Heritage Bank, Food Plaza, ResourceCare and CPISD.

The City of Cross Plains fired up a grill and provided free hotdogs, along with soft drinks and water.

The 42 Tournament and Horseshoes got underway about the same time, as did the dunking booth. Everyone tried their hands at dunking Kelli Hyles, Pastor Kenneth Reiter, Carie Wheeler, Chris Levens, J.D. Huddleston, Delany Ames Golson and Connie Kirkham. Chamber Board Member Dee Martin and Myleah McNutt took care of the Dunking Booth.

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce's Bingo was a big hit. Callers Ray Decker and Connie Kirkham kept the players on the edge of their seats waiting for a "bingo". Chamber Board Members Terrie Parum, Amanda Knight, Jamie Roberts and Teri Brown helped out with Bingo.

The kids enjoyed the Bounce House Obstacle Course provided by the First United Methodist Church. They played, jumped, crawled and giggled their way through the bounce house.

When dark came, it was time for the fireworks show. The City of Cross Plains' fireworks display was just spectacular. The park was full and vehicles lined the roads to view the show.



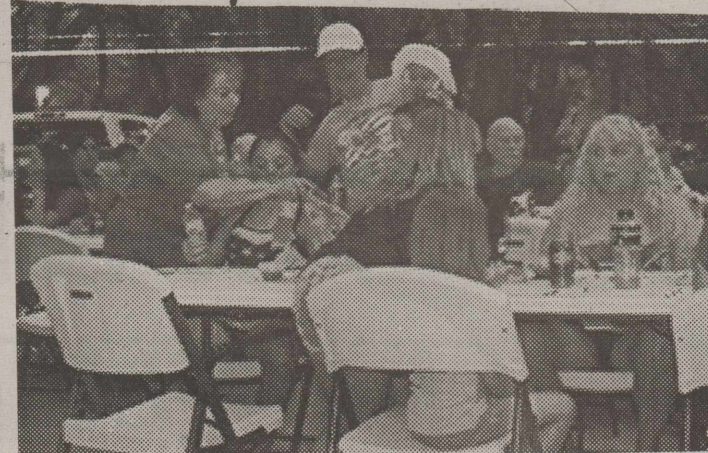
BRay and the Humans entertained the crowd



The American Legion joined in the fun at the park



Cooking hotdogs - Byron McNutt and Sean Conway cook and visit with J.D. Huddleston



Fun at the Bingo Tables!



Having fun at the park.

Independence Day Celebration was enjoyed by all who attended

The City of Cross Plains & Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Independence Day Celebration in Treadway Park had a large crowd and festivities went fantastic! The free hot dogs the City of Cross Plains provided ran out! The bounce house the First United

Methodist Church provided was greatly enjoyed by the kids! Bingo provided by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce had some big winners, and lots of good prizes! The Dunking Booth the Chamber hosted was a splash!



Working Bingo - Jamie Roberts, Terrie Parum (holding her granddaughter Katie), Connie Kirkham, Amanda Knight, Ray Decker and Teri Brown



Getting ready for a dunk!



Serving the hotdogs.



Enjoying the festivities at the park



The bounce house obstacle course sponsored by the First United Methodist Church

Clyde Cub Scouts Pack 227 holds Disability Awareness Event

Clyde Cub Scouts Pack 227 would like to invite everyone to a Disability Awareness Event to be held at Clyde Park on July 22, 2017. This event will be from 10 am till 2 pm. The Meek Blood Bank will be available

for donations, a food truck will be available, as well as several things for ALL to participate in to raise the awareness of those who have a disability in many forms. Come and have a great time and a learning experience.

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Thank you to Kelli Hyles, Kenneth Reiter, Carie Wheeler, Chris Levens, J.D. Huddleston, Delany Ames/Golson, Connie Kirkham, for being such great sports! Thank you Cross Plains Fire Department for filling up the dunking booth. Thank you to the City of Cross Plains for providing such a EXPLOSIVE firework show that everyone enjoyed!

Can't wait to see you next year!

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Summer Readers Build Bird Houses

Kids in the Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program learned about "Building a Bird House" at the library program. In the hands-on session, the children each built and decorated a bird house. Thirty-six children and ten adults attended the program. The Summer Reading

Program continues this Wednesday, July 12th at 1:30, with "Building a Stamp Collection". Three additional programs remain the Summer Series: Building a Cup Cake, Building Signs and Posters and the popular fun time "Splash in the Park".



Callahan County Library News

From the Past
Callahan County Clarendon
Saturday August 12, 1882,
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Personal

Mr. John M. King left on last night's train for Hillsboro.

Mr. A. G. Webb made a business trip to Terrell this week and returned this morning.

The editor of the Eastland Review, Mr. Stanley, was in town yesterday. He returned home in the evening.

Mr. John Skinner, of Pilot Point, who has been here for some time left for home last night by east bound train. He will return to our town in about two weeks.

Mr. G. W. Thompson, formerly a resident of this county, has spent some days here, but left last night for Sherman, where a dispatch called him on business. We hope he will soon repeat his visit.

Mr. J. T. Trundy, who is now serving in the capacity of pumper at Merkel station, called on us yesterday. He says that a post office is very much needed at that point, and that application will be made for one. Also that himself and the telegraph operator at that place will soon open a small store there for the accommodation of the settlers in that vicinity.

Messrs. C. F. Hathaway, our depot agent, George M. Hathaway, a brother from New York, and J. M. Archer, a brother-in-law also from New York, called at our office last Tuesday and cheered our den with a very interesting visit. Which we shall long remember. The latter named gentlemen have been here on a visit for some days and express themselves as highly pleased with this part of our glorious state. Mr. George Hathaway

informs us that it is his intention to organize a company in his state whose object it will be to raise sheep. He says there is plenty of money lying idle in New York, which, if persons who own it only know of the splendid opportunities for safe and lucrative investment here presented, it would be of mutual benefit and aid in developing our excellent resources, and give chances for idle capital to be put to profitable use. These gentlemen both returned, during the week, for their homes. A son of Mr. Archer came with them, but remained here with Mr. C. F. Hathaway, and will probably make this his permanent home. We trust the other gentlemen will soon return to Baird, which we think they will. They expressed themselves agreeably surprised at our delightful climate and beautiful cool nights, which they did not expect to find here.

Baird Shipments and Receipts
The following is a list of the shipments and receipts at this place, for the week, ending Thursday evening.

Receipts: 33 cars merchandise; 8 cars lumber; 1 car posts; 2 cars wire; 3 cars sheep; 1 car salt; 1 car stone.

Shipments: 4 cars cattle; 1 car hogs.

Through Freight, East: St. Louis 24 cars; Cairo 8 cars; Galveston 1, Austin 1, Kansas City 3; Cheneyville 12; San Antonio 1; Dallas 3 cars.

West: 85.
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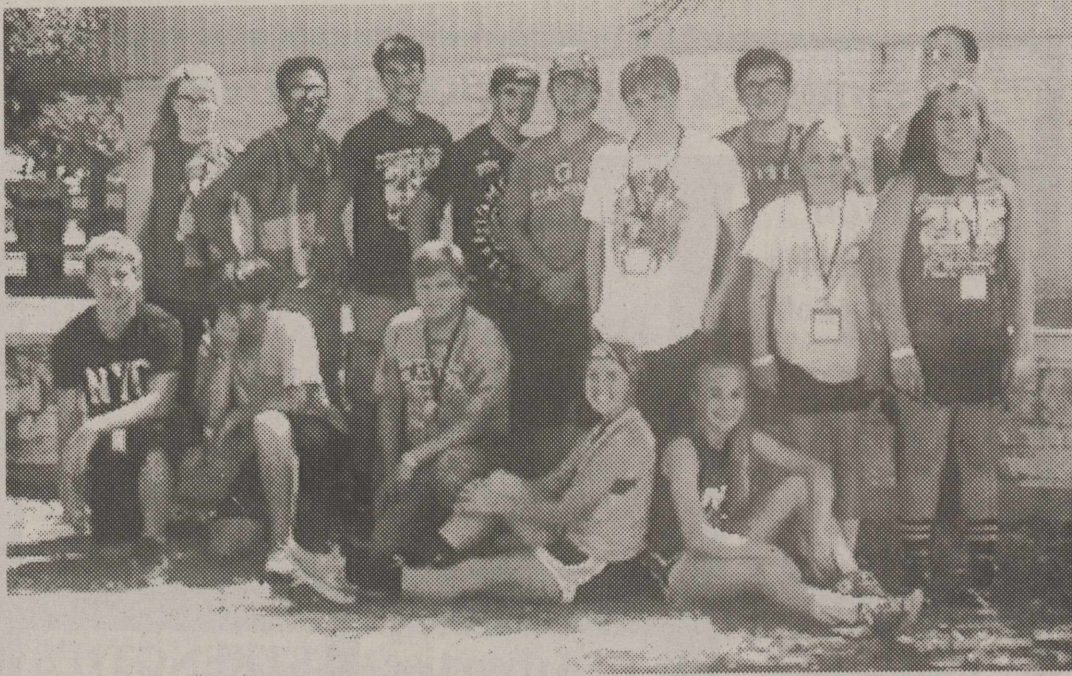
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The Clothes Closet is also carrying small kitchen appliances and other household items, too.

Due to your generous donations, the Clothes Closet and our storage area are both full. At this time, we cannot accept any more donations.

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The Killdeer

Anyone who has had the fortunate opportunity to observe and research animal behavior always has a few species that stand out to them for numerous reasons. One of my fondest memories as a young naturalist was observing the animated behavior of a species of bird that has adapted to protect its young in such a way as to fake an injury, oftentimes rivaling the best soccer players. I often referred to that bird as the "great pretender", but most folks know this bird as the Killdeer.

The Killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*) is a common bird throughout the southern 1/2 of the continental United States on a year-round basis. It is considered a migratory species however as some individuals will wander much further north into central Canada during the relatively warmer summer months. It can be observed throughout the entire state of Texas year-round. It prefers open areas near permanent bodies of water, although many will utilize the ephemeral pools known as playa lakes during the rainy season. Many individuals will take up residence on golf courses as the permanent bodies of water, coupled with the open areas of the fairways, make a sustainable habitat for them.

This subtly attractive species of bird is moderately small, with a body length of approximately 10 inches, while the wingspan can approach 21 inches. The upperparts (back, wings, and head) of this "plover" are gray to brown while the underparts are white. The most distinctive morphological trait of this bird is the 2 black bands that are visible across the white breast. The tail is long and rounded, and the wings (visible while in flight) are long and pointed. Another characteristic that is noticeable while the bird is in flight is the orange-golden rump. The eyes are black and are encircled by a red eye ring. The bill is slender and black, and the long legs are pinkish in coloration.

The Killdeer is named for its loud, high pitched vocal call of kill-deer or kill-dee-dee-dee. More often than not, this call is made while the bird is on the ground, and therefore, the bird



Killdeer
(*Charadrius vociferus*)

is often heard before it is seen.

This noisy species of bird frequently spends its time on the ground as it forages for its primary food source—over 98% of its food consists of various species of insects. It will often utilize its long legs to run short distances rather rapidly, then will pause as if to look about. It will then repeatedly "dab" its bill to the ground; and this species was participating in this activity LONG before the quarterback for the Carolina Panthers was famously doing so! When approached too close for its comfort, the Killdeer will take flight in an erratic manner while making a rapid high pitched call, often landing a mere few meters away.

Killdeers are monogamous breeders and in fact, many individuals will return to the same nesting site as previous years to meet the same mate. Typically, 2 broods per year are raised. The nest, which is always built by the male in open areas on the ground, is made up of small rocks, grass, and small sticks. The eggs, which number up to 5, are small (under 1 1/2 inches in length) and are colored dark tan and adorned randomly with black and brown blotches.

Incubation time is just under a month, and the young are able to leave the nest and take

care of themselves within the first 2 days after hatching. Although the young are able to run about (but not quite ready to fly) and feed themselves, the adults will tend to them, steering them away from what they perceive to be dangerous situations.

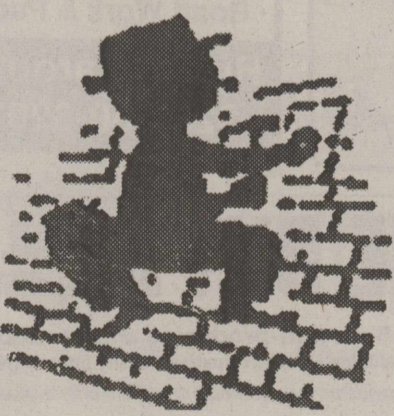
It is in these precarious situations that the adults will really put on a tremendous show in order to protect the young. If a perceived predator, including humans, approach the area where the young are, the adults will begin to call with a shrill, high-pitched vocal trrrrr. They will then put on an amazing show, hence the "great pretender" designation from the opening paragraph. The adults will act as though they are injured by dragging one of their wings on the ground and limping in the opposite direction. During this show, the young will cease any movement or noise in order to allow the "broken wing" show of the parents to successfully lure the would-be predator away. Once the predator has been lured away from the young to an acceptable distance, the "injured" adult will then have a miraculous recovery and fly away to safety, calling the entire time as if to mock the failure of the predator.

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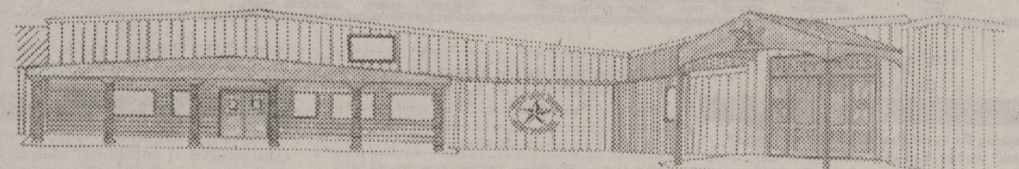
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Country Music Legend Ernest Tubb

Musicians and songwriters paint a picture of the world with their sounds, telling stories of joy and heartbreak and of beauty or sorrow. Country music is especially famous for sometimes combining all of those elements into one song as it has evolved over the decades. The ups and downs of the lives of many artists can be told in just such a way, including that of one of the pioneers of country music, Texas native Ernest Tubb. Tubb's career began in the 1930s and won millions of fans over a decades-long career that helped shape country music.

Ernest Dale Tubb was born in Ellis County, just south of Dallas, in 1914. His father was a sharecropper, and the family struggled as his father moved them across the state trying to make a living. He spent much of his youth working in those same cotton fields. The divorce of his parents made the ordeal even more difficult. Like many early stars, he never had a formal music education. Inspired by early country and blues singer Jimmie Rodgers, he taught himself to sing and play guitar as a teenager.

His first steady job as a musician came in 1933 on San Antonio radio station KOLQ. The path to fame, however, was not easy. Tubb's singing was not enough to pay the bills, and by 1935, he had taken on a second job digging ditches through local Works Progress Administration work relief projects. Tubb managed to pick up a recording contract with RCA in 1936 but the albums were poor sellers. He got a break in 1939 when San Angelo radio station KGKL hired him for his own 15-minute program. Tubb still had to take a second job as a beer truck driver, but he began building a name for himself in country music as a performer and a songwriter.

By 1940, Tubb picked up a contract with Decca Records, recording such popular singles as "Blue Eyed Elaine" and "I'll Never Cry Over You." In 1941, he recorded "Walking the Floor Over You," a nationwide hit that propelled him to stardom. He recorded several soundtracks to a number of western films, and his fond memories of San Angelo inspired him to write "Beautiful San Angelo" during these years. Tubb and his band, The Texas Troubadours, were hired as performers in Nashville in 1943

on WSM radio's The Grand Ole Opry, the most popular country program on radio at the time. In the process, he became the first performer to play an electric guitar on the program. Tubb and the Texas Troubadours performed in four films in the 1940s, including Riding West (1944) and Hollywood Barn Dance (1947).

In 1947, he opened his own record store in Nashville, called simply the Ernest Tubb Record Shop. The store's reputation catapulted when he invited performers from The Grand Ole Opry to sing at the store on Saturday nights, broadcast on radio. Midnite Jamboree became another huge success for WSM radio and Tubb personally, helping cement his reputation as a mentor of sorts to up-and-coming country acts. In 1960, he released an album titled Ernest Tubb Record Shop.

In the 1960s, he partnered with Loretta Lynn on a number of hit songs, including "Mr. and Mrs. Used-to-Be" (1964). He would record four albums with her through a move.

He made a 1973 television program in 1965 when he was given his own half-hour program, The Ernest Tubb Show, which ran in syndication for three years. That

same year, he was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame and recorded one of his most famous singles, "Waltz Across Texas." He continued to record, including the Top 40 albums Saturday Satan Sunday Saint (1969), Say Something Nice to Sarah (1972), and the self-titled Ernest Tubb (1975).

He continued to make periodic appearances in movies and on television. One of his most famous later appearances was as himself at the Grand Ole Opry in the 1980 Loretta Lynn biographical film Coal Miner's Daughter. In 1983, he sang with Hank Williams, Jr., and Waylon Jennings in the song "Leave Them Boys Alone," which became Tubb's last Top Ten hit. Tubb died in Nashville in 1984 at the age of 70, leaving behind countless fans and the innumerable artists he inspired. In 1999, he was inducted into the Texas Music Hall of Fame. And his Midnite Jamboree still plays on from his record store every Saturday night, now the second-longest running radio program in the country.

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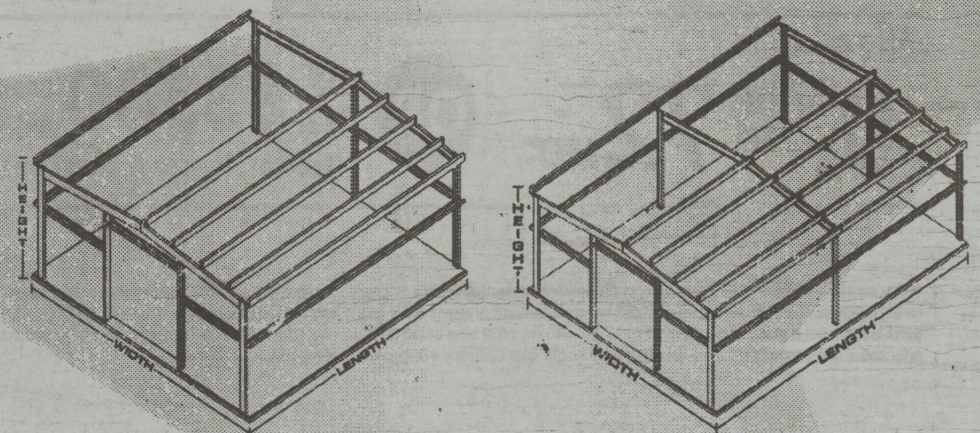
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Second in the 12U Tournament - This group of boys placed second in a 12U Baseball tournament over the weekend. On the team: Dusty Wyatt, Stryker Dillard, Jaeden Box, Kade Purvis, Alex Parker, Ian Norris, and Collyn Barron, all from Cross Plains; Colton McDaniels, Bangs; and Skyler Minshew, Brownwood Lake

Chamber Banquet Set for July 20th

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce annual banquet is set for 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.

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Mike and Lisa Mahady and their children from Houston

Busy Week at the Robert E. Howard Museum

July started off with more visitors than usual during a week's time. Three groups with a total of seven visitors took dead aim on Cross Plains and the Robert E. Howard Museum.

Cory Jones drove up from Austin, looking for more information about his newly discovered writer. Jones' first career had been teaching college level Philosophy in Indiana, but had switched careers to become a health care consultant. Watching the Conan movie had been the inspiration to pursue more of Howard's writings and that naturally led him to check out the local attraction.

Next came another college professor; this time it was Charles Borders who teaches history at Western Kentucky University. He had been visiting relatives in Kerrville and was driving back home, while his wife stayed behind for an extended visit with her family. The Howard gravesite in the Greenleaf Cemetery in Brownwood was also on his rambling trip back to Kentucky. Borders has been a long time Howard scholar and owns, or

has read, most of Howard's writings. He was delighted to report that he had a signed copy of Mark Finns' Blood and Thunder. The two had met in Indiana at one of the many pulp conventions that are held around the world. Finn is well known locally as an annual visitor to the REH Days, and for supporting the library in many ways.

Borders was also interested in the Ice House that figured into so many of Howard's stories. Knowing it had recently been restored by the Reed Construction Company, he was anxious to at least drive by and take some pictures.

The Mahady family from Houston rounded out the busy week; as Mike, Lisa and their children, Holden, Elisabeth and Kyle stopped to see the museum on their way back from Plainview. Mike is a CPA, Lisa teaches high school English and the three children are all in elementary school. Mike is a true scholar of Howard's writings, and was delighted to share the Howard story along with the docent's physical tour of the home.



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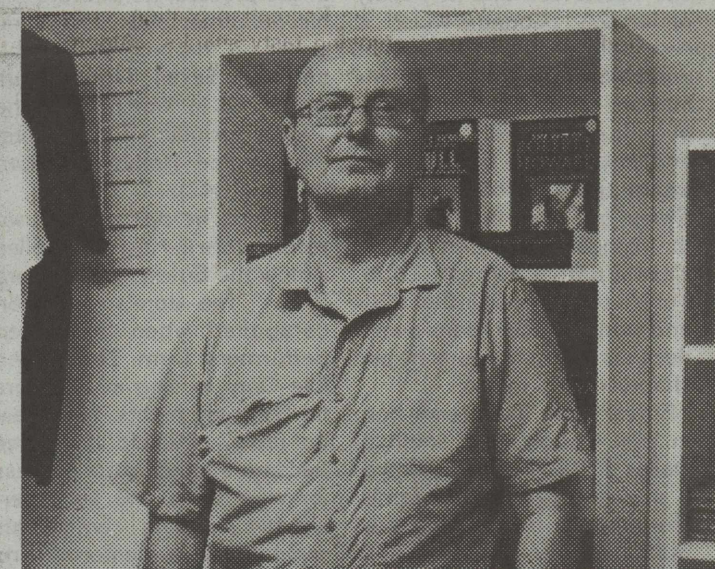
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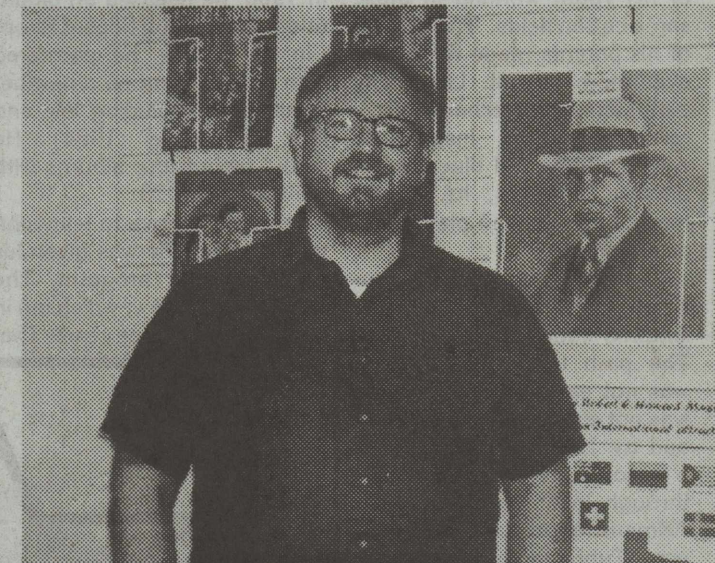


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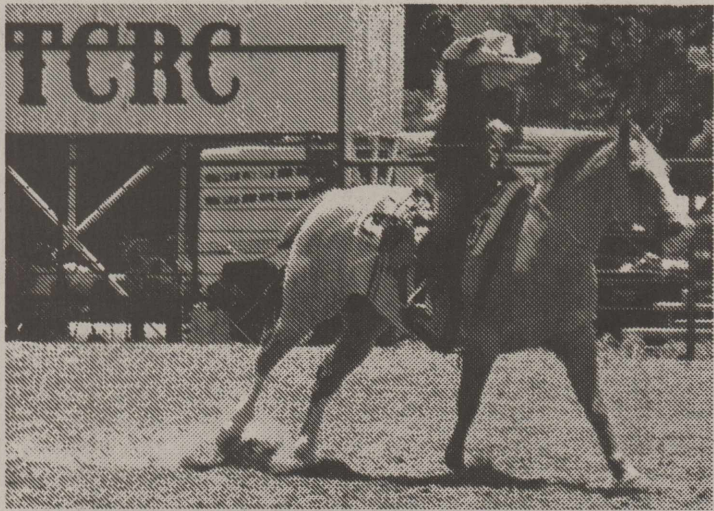


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Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Holds Playday

Barrels, Poles, Goats, and Kids, Oh My!
The Turkey Creek Rodeo Club just held their third playday and a day of play is certainly what it was.

All ages and levels of experience were present, little riders on lead lines, and high school rodeo barrel racers were all having a great time. The club has 5 different divisions, Lead line, 6 and under, 7-9, 10-12, and 13 and up, competing in four different events: barrel racing, pole bending, horsemanship and goat tying (sucker plucking or ribbon tying for younger riders).

Promoting an environment of fun and safety, riders are encouraged to ride at their experience level. Not comfortable racing full speed around the barrels? Not a problem, some riders do a slow lope, trot, even a walk. The horsemanship class is a wonderful way to test your general riding skills, and for riders with horses that might not be speed racers.

The goal is to encourage sportsmanship, friendship, and for everyone to have a good time. You do not need to be a member of the club to ride at a playday (memberships are \$25), and you are welcome to compete in one class or all four (\$5 per class, \$15 for all four).

The next (fourth) playday will be held Saturday, July 22nd with signups starting at 8:00 a.m. and the events at 9:00. The fifth and final playday of the series has been changed to Saturday August 12, with a practice at 6:00 pm on Friday, August 11.

July 8th Playday Results: (40

youth riders- our best turn out this series!!)

Lead Line: (5 Riders)
Barrels: 1-Kooper, 2-Rozy, 3-Kashley
Poles: 1-Sophie, 2-Rozy, 3-Kooper

Goat Sucker Plucking:
1-Rozy, 2-Creedyn, 3-Kooper

6 and under: (7 Riders)
BARRELS: 1-Jaxton, 2-Laramie, 3-Tori
Poles: 1-Jaxton, 2-Laramie, 3-Nolan

Goat Slapping, 1-Laramie, 2-Tori, 3-Jaxton
Horsemanship: 1-Jaxton, 2-Laramie, 3-Tori

7 - 9 : (14 Riders)
Barrels: 1-Dallee, 2 - Kye, 3-Terran
Poles: 1-Kye, 2-Terran, 3-Rowdee

Goat Tying: 1-Dallee, 2-Terran, 3-Kutter
Horsemanship: 1-Dallee, 2-Kylie, 3-Virginia

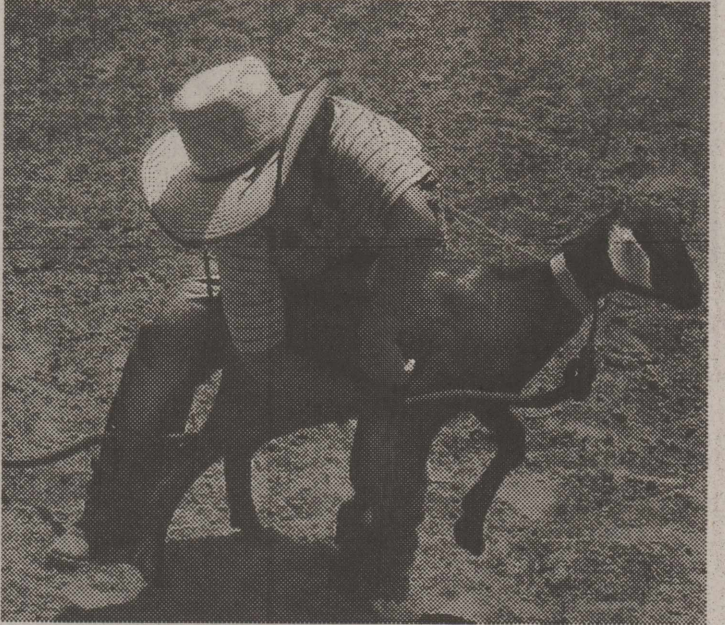
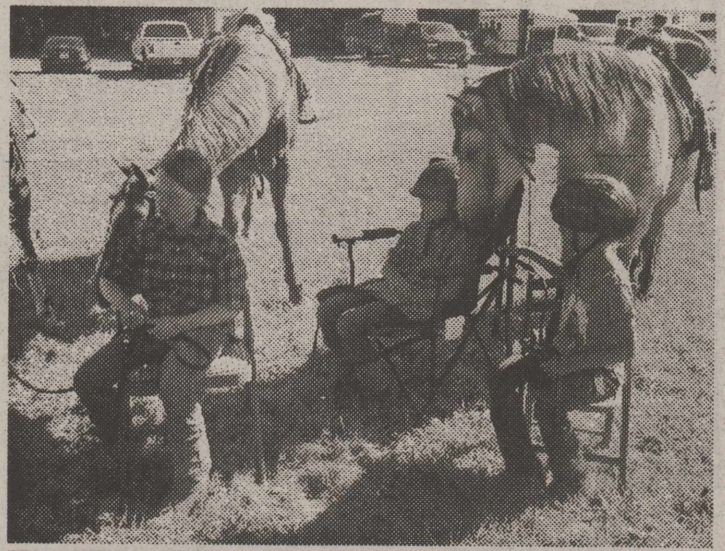
10 - 12 : (5 Riders)
Barrels: 1-Kelsey, 2-Ty Ann, 3-Carson
Poles: 1-Kelsey, 2-Carson T., 3-Mackenzie

Goat Tying: 1-Ty Ann, 2-Carson L., 3-Mackenzie
Horsemanship: 1-Ty Ann, 2-Mackenzie, 3-Carson T.

13 and up : (9 Riders)
Barrels: 1-Bree, 2-Kayden, 3-Addy
Poles: 1-Kayden, 2-Bree, 3-Kaitlyn T

Goat Tying: 1-Trista, 2-Kayden, 3-Tyler
Horsemanship: 1-Kayden, 2-Bree, 3- Tied (Kaitlyn F. & Trista)

Open
Barrels: (12 Riders) First - Kayden, Second - Addie
Poles: (10 Riders) First - Marla, Second - Kayden



July Jubilee at First Baptist Church on Sunday, July 30th

The First Baptist Church will hold a July Jubilee on Sunday, July 30th, from 5-8 p.m.

Come and enjoy games for adults and children of all ages, including three-legged sack race, egg toss, egg and spoon, cotton ball and Vaseline, watermelon seed spitting, cow chip throwing, and tug of war.

Also, for more fun, there

will be a dunking booth, face painting, horseshoes, washer toss, and an area for dominoes and cards.

The kiddos will also have fun on a train ride.

Food for the evening will be hot dogs, chips, drinks and desserts.

Come join us for an evening of fun, food and fellowship.

"Hero Central" Vacation Bible School at the Methodist Church

Vacation Bible School at the United Methodist Church starts Monday, July 17 and runs through Thursday, July 20, 6:00-8:30 each evening.

"Hero Central: Discover Your Strength in God!" is the theme of this year's VBS. Throughout the week, kids will become Super Heroes as they explore how to serve God and how to experience God's awesome presence in their lives.

From the moment VBS begins, VBS Hero Central is designed to introduce a child to a deeper relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Each activity is developed, tested, and refined to be an engaging, age-appropriate experience to bring the word of God alive to every participant and volunteer. VBS Hero Central is based on the Bible and the gospel of the living Christ.

The students will expand on what they've discovered in the Bible stories of Abigail,

Samuel, David, Jesus in the Temple, and the Beatitudes, by participating in a variety of activities; making their own art projects, running off energy at the Recreation Station, and enjoying tasty snacks. Along the way, they will learn about and help with the Jeremiah 29 project.

The VBS is scheduled for Monday, July 17 through Thursday, July 20, 6:00 - 8:30 each evening. Kids who have completed pre-K through the completion of the 6th grade are invited to experience Hero Central at the Methodist Church.

VBS will conclude on Thursday evening with an open house and refreshments for the entire family.

For more information, please contact Melody McWilliams - 325-669-7371, Jean McWilliams - 725-6455 or the Methodist Church - 725-7377.

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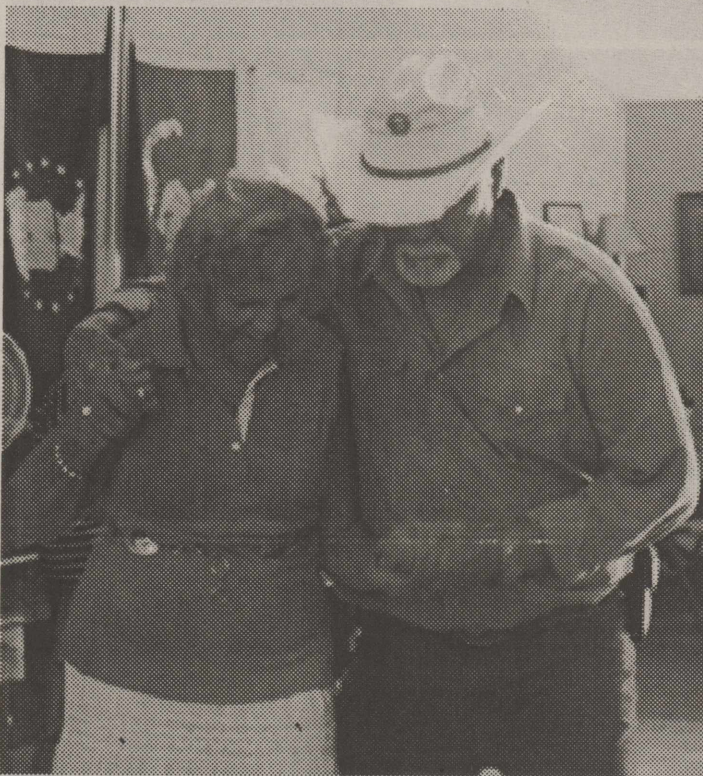
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Everyone Enjoyed the Dance at the Senior Center



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Summer Reading Program: Building A Cupcake on Wednesday, July 19th

The Cross Plains Public Library Summer Reading Program continues on Wednesday, July 19th with "Building a Cupcake". 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 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.

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!

Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

Rain fell all around Cottonwood. .9 of an inch was recorded Friday and .6 of an inch on Saturday at the Bill Nickerson place. Several others around Cottonwood recorded 2 to 2.5 inches of rain in the two day period.

The Peach Thief has been uncovered. Several local residents have reported that late one night ripe almost ripe peaches were removed from their peach trees. The residents had been watching the peach crop daily waiting to pluck ripe peaches, only to find that the peaches were taken during the night by a poacher. After investigation, multiple squirrels

were caught red-handed with the fruit.

Joe Terstegge was out with the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department on July 4th driving a firetruck around the fireworks area.

Roger and Dennis Hinkle and Roy Boyd attended the Callahan County Fire Fighters Association meeting at Eula on Saturday.

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.



Christian Cuevas to lead worship at First United Methodist Church of Baird July 23rd at 6:30 pm

Christian Cuevas, as seen on NBC's Emmy Award Winning Television Show, The Voice Season 11, brings a plethora of different styles of music to the stage but the one thing that stays the same through it all? Passion. You can hear it in every performance. The passion Christian has goes beyond all else. His passion for God first, then his music.

Christian will be leading us in Worship with his music at the First United Methodist Church of Baird the evening of July 23 beginning at 6:30. All are invited to attend. No charge to attend - Love offering will be

accepted. Brother Daniel Palacio, Pastor of the Baird Church of God, will be sharing the Word of God and delivering the message. The evening is being hosted by the First United Methodist Church and the Christian Truck Stop Ministry of Baird.

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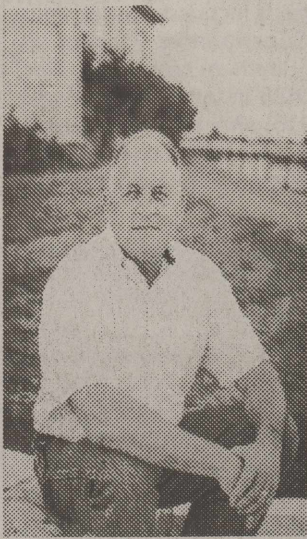
Flour Power Bakery Truck to be at the Library on July 19th

On Wednesday, July 19th, the Flour Power Bakery truck from Brownwood will be at the Cross Plains Public Library for our Summer Reading Program at 1:30 p.m. If you have celebrated a birthday at the Senior Center, then you know how delicious their cupcakes are.

We are taking orders to be delivered for our patrons that day. If you would like to order cupcakes (minimum 1 dozen)

please fill out a form available at the library and return it with your check payable to CPPL, before 5pm Thursday, July 13th. Cost is \$2/each or \$24/dozen. We will also have cupcakes available for sale after 3:00p.m. on July 19th.

Order for a future event and put in the freezer - they freeze beautifully up to 3 months when sealed in their original container.



Town Hall Meeting

State Representative Mike Lang:
Report on Texas Legislature

July 13th

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• Town Hall - 7:00 PM

• Myrtle Wilks Community Center

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Rep. Mike Lang to hold town hall meeting in Cisco Thursday

Citizens of Texas House District 60 have an upcoming opportunity to meet their state representative Mike Lang on July 13th at the Myrtle Wilks Community Center (1498 IH 20 Cisco, TX).

The Tea Party Patriots of Eastland County and the Eastland County Republican Party are sponsoring a town hall meeting with Representative Lang, who represented HD 60 for the first time this year in the Texas House of Representatives in Austin.

A meet and greet with Representative Lang will begin at 6:30 pm, followed by a town hall meeting beginning at 7:00. The meeting will consist of a presentation from Representative Lang on the 85th legislative session, followed by a question and answer session with the audience. Refreshments will be provided.

Residents of House District 60 are encouraged to come and meet Representative Lang.

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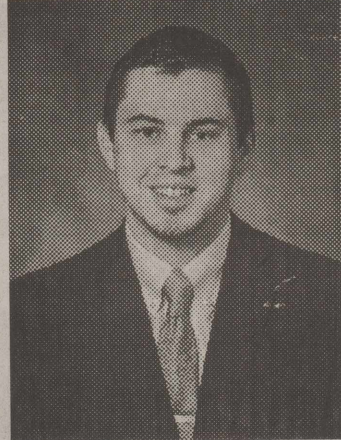
Condley & Company announces new CPA designation

Abilene, TX -- The regional CPA and advisory firm of Condley and Company, LLP is pleased to announce that M. Taylor Neatherlin has received his Certified Public Accountant (CPA) license.

"We are very proud of Taylor for achieving this designation," said Ray Ferguson, CPA, Managing Partner of Condley and Company, LLP. "Becoming a CPA is a difficult process, but Taylor's hard work and strength of character helped him persevere."

Neatherlin joined Condley and Company, LLP in 2016. As a tax associate, his responsibilities include the preparation of individual, partnership, and corporate tax returns. Neatherlin earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Hardin-Simmons University, where he also received the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants' Accounting Excellence Award. Originally from Avoca, Texas, Neatherlin currently resides in Abilene and enjoys spending his free time fishing, kayaking, and cheering on the Dallas Mavericks.

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TAYLOR NEATHERLIN
...receives his CPA license

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ACROSS

- San Antonio picante sauce
- TXism: "brains in" (computer)
- TXism: "Is the Catholic?" (yes)
- TXism: "sharp as a tooth"
- TXism: "some gravel" (fill)
- in 1835, the Austin community was known as
- TX Phyllis Davis was Beatrice in this TV crime drama series
- muscle pulls
- Mama Cass
- TX Guy Clark LP "Build"
- ready to drive the golf ball (2 wds.)
- this Hedy was in "Boom Town" with TX Chill Willis
- Troops of Thornton were ambushed in TX to start Mexican War
- TX Lefty Frizzell tune: "The Long Black"
- TX B.J. Thomas' 1st gospel record: "Home Belong"
- TXism: "wipe the slate clean"
- red vegetables
- TXism: "happy"
- TXism: "jaybird"
- TXism: "hot as road" July
- TX or IA town
- TXism: "boose" (jail)
- one-name actor in 1991 TX-filmed "Necessary Roughness"
- TXism: "bath day" (abbr.)
- once a Wichita Falls AM station
- TXism: "a fish in water"
- dir. to Tyler from Dallas
- brandin' or shootin'
- TXism: "the unvarnished truth"
- "those" south of the border
- novelist Deighton
- TX Lynda of TV's "Mission Impossible" (init.)
- Houston eatery was first called: "House"
- Travis Tritt's "It's All Change"
- Cove, TX
- TX Strait's "All My Live in Texas"
- enumerate
- TXism: "opossum"
- (armadillo)
- "bear" south of the border
- horse doc.
- Dallas' 150th birthday party had cake
- "Eyes of TX" song began as prank by UT Club
- TX Willie's 1985 concert in Illinois: Farm
- TXism: "nary a" (no one)
- TXism: "table grazed"
- singer Petty (init.)
- TX resident pro golfer Lanny (init.)
- founder of TX Belo company (init.)
- say Lamesa: "luh- suh"
- 26 bldgs. for Mavs, Rockets & Spurs
- 27 horse park near San Antonio
- TX Orbison (init.)
- Paxton's TX title
- "yes" south of the border
- newspaper income
- TXism: "hit the" (go to bed)
- TXism: "mad" hen
- TXism: "a ride the river with"
- "Cowboy"
- "buenas su casa"
- TXism: "me casa su casa"
- "Fightin' Irish"
- TXism: "mad as a snake"
- Alpine, TX is named for the Alps
- snake catcher

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Top Lottery Retailers In Callahan County

Store	City	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016
Thrifty's Food Mart	Clyde	\$509,467	\$319,459	\$248,117	\$538,825	\$564,904
Clyde's One Stop	Clyde	\$354,948	\$351,234	\$353,746	\$378,923	\$523,508
7-Eleven #67	Cross Plains	\$399,970	\$405,304	\$402,426	\$370,808	\$357,815
Wes-T-Go #25	Baird	\$273,610	\$293,187	\$346,509	\$308,913	\$325,025
7-Eleven #52	Clyde	\$269,674	\$245,562	\$258,948	\$272,161	\$278,449
Love's Travel Stop	Baird	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$110,649	\$194,376
Anita Food Mart	Clyde	\$193,506	\$199,394	\$203,797	\$182,141	\$126,978
Allsup's #128	Clyde	\$101,348	\$101,112	\$123,935	\$117,764	\$115,178
Food Plaza #4	Cross Plains	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$98,357
Allsup's #186	Baird	\$115,387	\$102,640	\$105,594	\$85,862	\$77,150
Butterman's Grill	Eula	N/A	\$7,846	\$255,715	\$18,008	\$76,362
Super S Foods	Cross Plains	\$102,640	\$33,681	\$30,997	\$49,799	\$38,981
Cash Saver	Clyde	\$154,259	\$106,623	\$89,760	\$121,819	\$35,635
United Supermarket	Clyde	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$15,409
Total Lottery Sales	Callahan	\$2,410,072	\$2,322,405	\$2,597,675	\$2,478,105	\$2,828,132

Callahan County lottery sales rise in 2016 to highest level ever

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Clyde lottery retailer Thrifty's Food Mart continued to hold the top spot among Callahan County retailers selling lottery tickets in the 2015-2016 fiscal year, according to Texas Lottery officials. The Texas Lottery Commission's fiscal year for 2015-2016 ended in September 2016. Texas Lottery officials also reported 2016 had the largest amount of lottery tickets sold in Callahan County ever, with \$2,828,132 worth of lottery game tickets sold. The previous high mark was during the 2004-2005 fiscal year, when Callahan County had \$2,743,511 in lottery sales. The Texas Lottery began throughout the state in 1998.

Thrifty's Food Mart, located at 1634 North Access Road in Clyde, sold \$564,904 in lottery tickets in 2016, while Clyde's One Stop, located at 105 South First Street in Clyde, was the number two retailer in 2016 with \$523,508 in lottery tickets sold. Coming in at number three lottery retailer in Callahan County was the Cross Plains 7-Eleven,

located at 241 SW 5th Street, with \$357,815 in lottery tickets sold in 2016.

Baird retailer Wes-T-Go (now called Yesway), located at 1033 Cherry in Baird, was the number four leading retailer with \$325,025 worth of lottery tickets sold.

Coming in as the number five retailer in Callahan County, was the 7-Eleven, located at 601 South Access Road, with \$278,449 in lottery tickets sold.

Love's Travel Stop, located at 1333 US Highway 283 North in Baird, was the number six retailer in Callahan County with \$194,376 worth of tickets sold in 2016.

Anita Food Mart, located at 921 South Access Road in Clyde, was the number seven retailer in Callahan County with \$126,978 in lottery tickets sold.

The number eight lottery retailer in Callahan County was Allsup's Convenience Store, located at 705 South Access Road in Clyde, with \$115,178 worth of lottery tickets sold in

2016.

Coming in as the number nine retailer in Callahan County was the Food Plaza, located at 109 S E 5th Street in Cross Plains, with \$98,357 in lottery sales in 2016.

The Allsup's Convenience Store, located at 1025 Cherry Street in Baird, was the number ten top retailer in Callahan County with \$77,150 in lottery tickets sold in 2016.

Butterman's Grill, located at 1060 FM 603 in Eula, was the number eleven retailer in Callahan County in 2016 with \$76,362 worth of lottery tickets sold.

Super S Foods, located at 417 SW 5th Street in Cross Plains, comes in as the number twelve top retailer in 2016 with \$38,981 in lottery tickets sold.

CashSaver Cost Plus Food Outlet, which is now the United Supermarket, located at 521 South Access Road, had \$35,635 in lottery tickets sold in 2016, while the United Supermarkets location had \$15,409 in lottery ticket sales in 2016.



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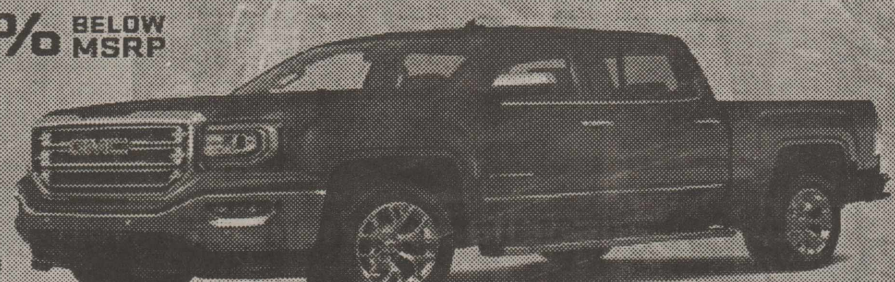
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AgriLife Extension sets White-tailed Deer Summit August 3rd in Abilene

ABILENE - The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Taylor County will conduct the White-tailed Deer Summit Aug. 3 in the Big Country Hall in Abilene.

Big Country Hall is next to the AgriLife Extension offices on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center, 1982 Lytle Way, Abilene, TX 79602.

The event will consist of two sessions: Session 1, Managing Property for White-tailed Deer, from 1:30 - 5:00 p.m. and Session 2 from 5:30 - 9:00 p.m. to highlight keys for Hunting Season Success. Participants are encouraged, but not required to attend both sessions.

"We've scheduled this program to help our landowners improve their management strategies for white-tailed deer and to help hunters ensure a successful hunting season," said Thomas Cunningham, AgriLife Extension assistant agent in Taylor County. "All the presentations will be timely and delivered by speakers with firsthand knowledge of their respective topics. It should be interesting for anyone - hunters, landowners and managers - with white-tailed deer interests in our region."

Session 1 topics and speakers will include:

- Managing Free-Range White-tailed Deer, Genetics, Nutrition, Herd Management, Dr. John Tomecek, AgriLife Extension Wildlife Specialist,

San Angelo.

- Deer Habitat Management and Managed Lands Deer Program Highlights, Annaliese Scoggin, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Biologist, Abilene.

- Deer Management Research, Culling, Chronic Wasting Disease, Dr. Randy DeYoung and Dr. Aaron Foley, Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute at Texas A&M University Kingsville.

Session 2 will begin with an evening meal at 5:30 and will feature topics and speakers to include:

- White-tailed Deer Nutrition and Supplemental Feeding, Scott Hohensee, Wildlife Specialist, Purina Animal Nutrition, New Braunfels

- White-tailed Deer Hunting Lease Management and Working with Outfitters, Greg Simons, Wildlife Biologist, Wildlife Systems, Inc., San Angelo.

- Preserving Our Hunting Heritage and Ensuring a Successful Hunting Experience, Marc Bartoskewitz, Ranch Manager, Cook Canyon and Clear Fork Ranches, Ranger.

Individual registration is \$15 if you register by August 1 and \$20 thereafter. Registration includes both sessions and evening meal.

For more information, contact the AgriLife Extension office in Taylor County at 325-672-6048 or pre-register online here.

Letter to the Editor Is it okay to exploit elderly in Callahan County??

Before our Mother went to Heaven on November 15, 2015, we discovered that one of her caretakers had stolen personal property and forged checks on our Mother's bank account. I believe this is called "exploitation of the elderly". The Clyde Police were called and a warrant for the caretakers arrest was issued. The caretaker turned herself in. Now, here it is July 2017 and nothing has been done. For the last 20 months I have either driven to Baird to see Mr. Shane Deel, County Attorney for Callahan County or called to make an appointment with him. I have been told that Mr. Deel

makes his own appointments, so I leave a message for him to return my phone call.

Have I yet to get a phone call back from Mr. Deel? NO, I have not!

Is this how an elected official of our county is to perform his duty?

Does Mr. Deel think we will forget about what the caretaker did to our Mother?

No, Mr. Deel we will NOT FORGET! Is it okay to exploit the elderly of Callahan County and have no consequences? Is this the way that law abiding tax paying citizens should expect to be treated?

Susan Mosely Moore
The Family of Modie Mosley

State Sales Tax Revenue Totaled \$2.4 Billion in June

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said today that state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.4 billion in June, 10.3 percent more than in June 2016.

"Growth in sales tax revenue was due to increased collections from most sectors of the economy - though the gains still did not offset May's weaker-than-expected franchise tax collections," Hegar said. "Receipts from the wholesale trade, information and oil- and gas-related sectors in particular saw significant gains."

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in June 2017 is up 5.5 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Sales tax revenue is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 56 percent of

all tax collections. Motor vehicle sales and rental taxes, motor fuel taxes and oil and natural gas production taxes also are large revenue sources for the state.

In June 2017, Texas collected the following revenue from those taxes:

- motor vehicle sales and rental taxes - \$414.5 million, down 1.7 percent from June 2016;
- motor fuel taxes - \$312.4 million, up 5.9 percent from June 2016; and
- oil and natural gas production taxes - \$269.9 million, up 31.5 percent from June 2016.

For details on all monthly collections, visit the Comptroller's Monthly State Revenue Watch.

Join the Arbor Day Foundation in July and 10 Trees Will Be Planted in High-Need National Forests

Forests across America are a prized natural resource, and anyone can help plant trees in these vital areas by joining the Arbor Day Foundation this month.

Through the Replanting Our National Forests campaign, the Arbor Day Foundation will honor each new member who joins in July by planting 10 trees in forests that have been devastated by wildfires, insects, and disease.

The cost for joining the Arbor Day Foundation is a \$10 donation.

America's national forests face enormous challenges, including unprecedented wildfires that have left a backlog of more than 1 million acres in need of replanting. The Foundation has worked with the United States Forest Service for more than 25 years to plant

trees in high-need forests.

Our national forests provide habitat for wildlife, keep the air clean, and help ensure safe drinking water for more than 180 million Americans.

"Keeping our forests healthy is vital to the health of people and the entire planet," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "By planting trees in our national forests, we will preserve precious natural resources and the benefits they provide for generations to come."

To join the Arbor Day Foundation and help plant trees in our national forests, send a \$10 membership contribution to Replanting Our National Forests, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410 or visit arborday.org/july.



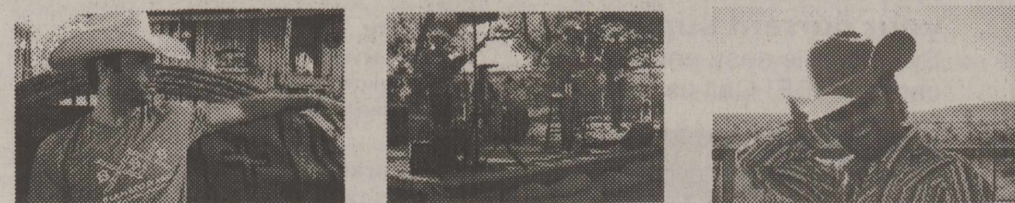
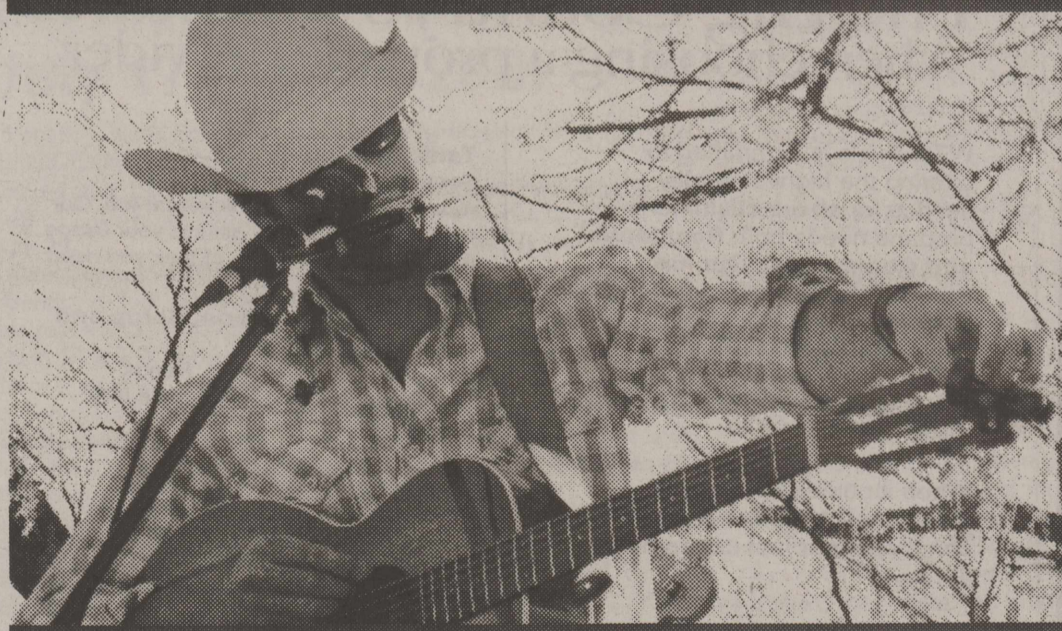
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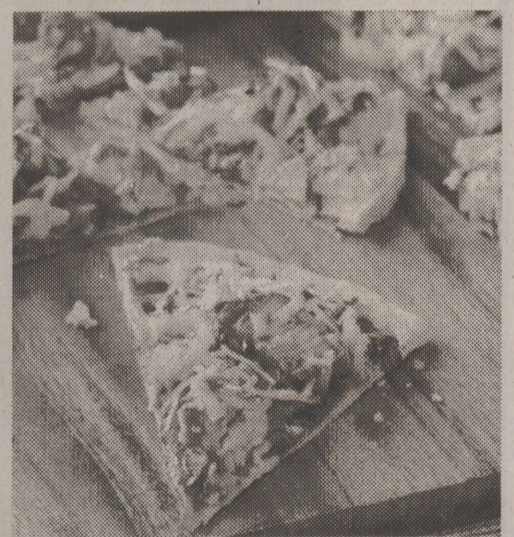
The Recipe Corner

BBQ Chicken Pizza

Prep Time: 30 minutes + rising Grill Time: 5 minutes

Ingredients:

- * 2 packages (1/4 ounce each) active dry yeast
- * 1 cup warm water (110 degrees to 115 degrees)
- * 1/4 cup whole wheat flour
- * 3 tablespoons olive oil
- * 1 tablespoon honey
- * 1 teaspoon salt
- * 2 1/4 to 2 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- TOPPING**
- * 3/4 pound boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1/4 inch pieces
- * 1/2 medium red onion, thinly sliced and separated into rings
- * 2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- * 1 cup barbecue sauce
- * 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded smoked Gouda cheese
- * 1 cups (4 ounces) shredded Asiago cheese
- * 1/2 cup pickle pepper rings
- * Minced fresh basil leaves, optional



Directions

1. In a large bowl, dissolve yeast in warm water. Add the whole wheat flour, oil, honey, salt and 1-1/2 cups flour. Beat until smooth. Stir in enough remaining flour to form a soft dough.
2. Turn onto a floured surface; knead until smooth and elastic, about 6-8 minutes. Place in a greased bowl, turning once to grease the top. Cover and let rise in a warm place until doubled, about 1 hour.
3. Punch dough down. On a lightly floured surface, divide dough into four portions. Roll each into a 10-in. circle; build up edges slightly. Cover and let rest for 10 minutes.
4. Meanwhile, in a large skillet, saute chicken and onion in 1 tablespoon oil until chicken is no longer pink. Add garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Stir in barbecue sauce; heat through. Remove from the heat and set aside.
5. Moisten a paper towel with cooking oil; using long-handled tongs, lightly coat the grill rack. Brush both sides of dough with remaining oil. Grill dough, covered, over medium heat for 1-2 minutes or until the crust is lightly browned. Remove from the grill.
6. Layer the grilled side of each pizza with the chicken mixture, cheeses and pepper rings. Return pizzas to grill.
7. Cover and cook for 4-5 minutes or until crust is lightly browned and cheese is melted, rotating pizzas halfway through cooking to ensure an evenly browned crust. Sprinkle with basil if desired.

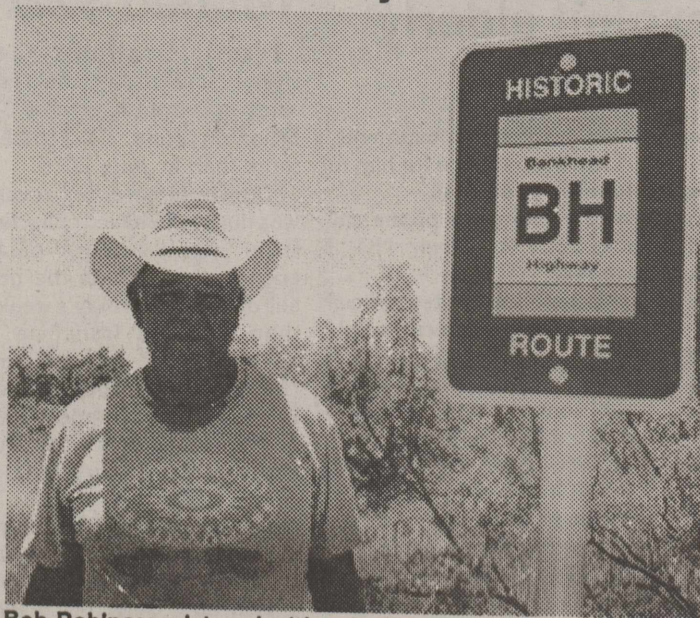
Yield: 4 individual pizzas

BANKHEAD HIGHWAY-"Broadway of America"

To commemorate the historic Bankhead Highway that runs through Callahan County the Callahan County Historical Commission has erected several BH signs along the old Bankhead Highway that later became Highway 80. In the 1920's the Bankhead National Highway was our nation's first all-weather, coast to coast highway. 900 miles of the highway ran through Texas from Texarkana to El Paso paralleling the Texas and Pacific Railroad.

It was named in honor of Senator John H. Bankhead of Alabama, who was the author of the Federal Highway Act of 1916, which provided federal aid to the states for the construction.

Signs have been placed along the old highway east of Putnam, east of Baird on the Finley Road, on the property of Tom Ivey and on property of Bun Barry. Placed in the city of Baird on property of Lloyd Ray and Evelyn Hughes and between Baird and Clyde on the property of Rob and Nicki Harle. On FM 18 west of FM 603 a sign was placed on property of James



Bob Robinson pictured with new BH sign.

and Bobbi Trammel. The commission appreciates the graciousness of the landowners for allowing us to place these signs on their land.

In 2012 a Bankhead Highway sign was erected in the Clyde City Park, when several communities in Eastland and Callahan Counties celebrated the Historic Highway. Also, there is a Bankhead Highway

display in the historic T & P Depot in Baird. Some towns, like Cisco and Ft. Worth, still maintain the original Thurber brick streets that were once the Bankhead Highway.

We appreciate Commission member, Bob Robinson, for generously giving his time and skill in placing these markers through the county.

Cross Plains Community Calendar

July

July 12 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Building a Stamp Collection, 1:30 p.m.
 July 17-20 - Vacation Bible School, First United Methodist Church, 6:00-8:30 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.
 July 27 - Thursday, "Sully" Book-to-Movie Event, Cross Plains Public Library, 6:30 p.m.
 July 30 - Sunday, July Jubilee, First Baptist Church, 5-8 p.m. Fun and Games

August

August 2 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Splash in the Park, 1:30 p.m.
 August 18 - Friday, First Football Scrimmage, at Hamilton, 6 p.m.
 August 25 - Friday, Buffaloes

Scrimmage vs. Irion County, here, 6 p.m.

August 29 - Tuesday CPISD School Starts

September

September 1 - Friday, First Football Game, Buffaloes at Menard, 7:30 p.m.

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

October

October 7 - Saturday, Cross Plains Community Cancer Walk, Cross Plains ISD Football Field.

October 9 - Monday, Columbus Day. School's out.

October 14 - Saturday, Community Wide Garage Sale, sponsored by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce.

November

November 11 - Saturday, Veteran's Day.

November 11 - Saturday, Lord's Acre, First United Methodist Church.

November 22-24 - Thanksgiving holidays. School's out.

November 23 - Thanksgiving.

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If you receive a letter that you have an over due book or fine, please bring your letter to the front desk and we can take your payment or bring in a non perishable food item for every dollar amount owed.

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Senior Citizens Center Activities

July 17th -July 21st

Monday-17th- Exercise 11:00/Music Jam 6:00 pm
 Tuesday-18th Exercise 11:00/Game Night 6:00
 Wednesday-19th Exercise 11:00/Foot Care with Kindred at Home of Eastland
 Thursday-20th Exercise 11:00
 Friday-21st Carol with Diabetic Education Resource Care/Bingo with Kindred at Home of Eastland

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 17th -July 21st

Monday 17th-Chef Salad with Ham & Turkey, Crackers, Fruit, Dessert
 Tuesday 18th -Chili Dogs, Onion, Relish, Tater Tots, Fruit, Cookie,
 Wednesday 19th- **50's DAY** Cheese Burger, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles, French Fries, Birthday Cake
 Thursday 20th- Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Dessert
 Friday 21th-King Ranch Chicken, Lettuce, Tomato Salad, Crackers, Fruit, Cookies

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

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

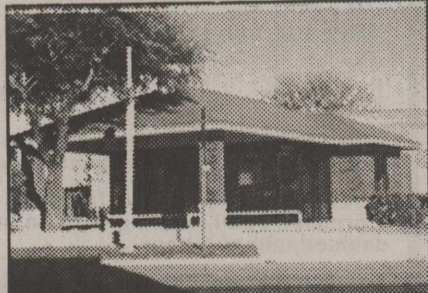
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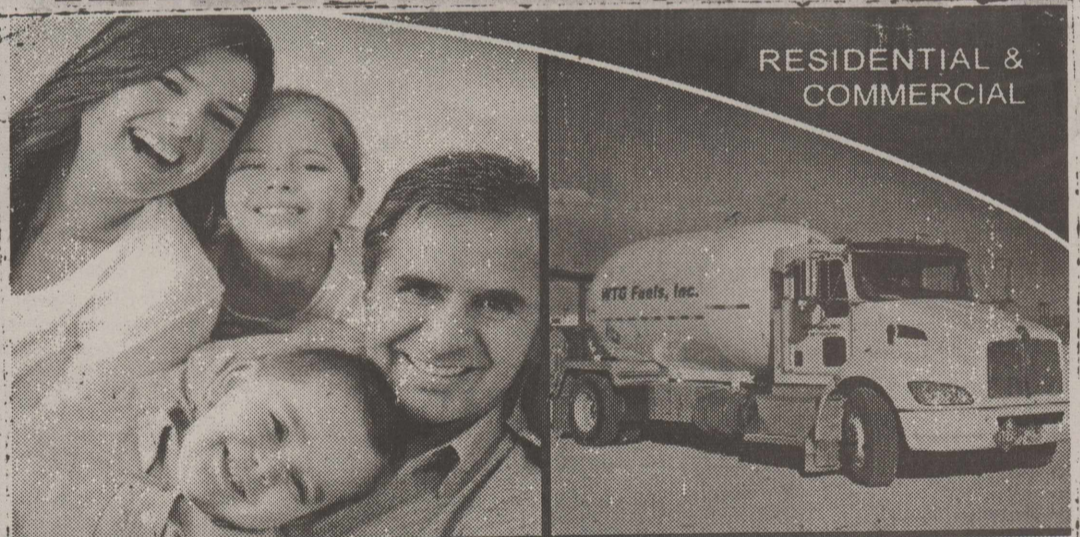
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