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## Runoff to take place for County Judge, **Commissioner seat**

Two runoffs will take place for the positions of County Judge and Commissioner Precinct #4 (Cross Plains) after Republican Primary Election returns from #4 was Frankie W. Hyles Tuesday, March 6th were reported.

A runoff between Nicki Harle and Gerry Scott Kniffen will take place for the position of County Judge and a runoff between Erwin Clark and Rickey Carouth for the position of County Commissioner Precinct #4 will take place.

The Republican Primary Runoff Election will take place on Tuesday, May 22nd.

For County Judge, Nicki Harle received the most votes with 837 (39.24%), to Gerry Scott Kniffen with 705 (33.05%) and the two candidates will face each other on May 22nd. Bobby Don Lovell was third with 591 (27.71%) of the total votes of 2133 cast for County Judge.

In the race for County Commissioner Precinct #4 Erwin Clark received 258 (37.02%) of the vote, while Rickey Carouth had 177

(25.39%) of the vote and will face each other on May 22nd. Taking third for the position of County Commissioner Precinct with 163 (23.39%), and Mike Bright in fourth place with 99 (14.20%).

In other county contested races March 6th, in a very close race, former District Clerk Sharon Owens defeated challenger Molly Matties by just 15 votes from 2055 total votes cast. Owens won with 1035 (50.36%) of the vote to Matties 1020 (49.64%).

In another contested race for Justice of the Peace, Precinct #1, incumbent Tom Rumfield won with 567 (68.40%), while challenger Renea McGowen Ortiz garnered 262 (31.60%)

In the fifth and final contested race in Callahan County for Justice of the Peace Precinct #4, incumbent Burlie W. Taylor won with 348 (51.56% votes, to challenger David Welch with 327 (48.44%) of the vote.

## **Cross Plains VFD** Brisket Sandwich and Hamburger **Cookout This** Saturday March 10th

The Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department will be, cooking brisket sandwiches, hamburgers and hotdogs in front of Lowe's Market this Saturday, March 10th.

The grill will be fired up and ready to go by 11 a.m. Brisket Sandwiches are only

\$5, Hamburgers \$3 and Hot Dogs only \$1. Cheeseburgers will be

available, too. Come out and get a fresh, hot lunch and support your local firefighters.

**Kiwanis Pancake** Supper

The Cross Plains Kiwanis will hold their Annual Pancake Supper this Thursday evening, March 8th, from 5 until 7 p.m., at the CPISD Cafeteria.

Thursday,

March 8th

Come and enjoy Pancakes, Sausage, Coffee and Tea, all for \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children.



The Buffaloes are back on the field playing baseball. Photos and schedule inside.

**Deadlines** for

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Pitch, Baseball

and March 18th

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pitch, baseball, and softball

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Matt Reed 325-660-4162, Gary

Moses 325-370-6678 or Tony

Softball deadline is March

Beggs 325-642-0786.

deadline is March 18th.

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**Honor Roll** 

and Softball

March 10th

## **Cottonwood Fire Control** Fish Fry, March 23rd

It is time again to get out and support your local Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Department. We are having our annual fish fry on Friday March 23rd at the Cottonwood Community Center starting at 5:00 p.m.

This is in conjunction with the Cottonwood Musical, sponsored by the Cottonwood Historical Association.

The menu will included Fried Fish, or Chicken, French Fries, Beans, Hushpuppies, Coleslaw and ice tea or other soft drinks and dessert.

This is one of two fund raising events we hold each year, so please come out for a great

meal, wonderful music and spend some time meeting the individual volunteers that serve our community.

Cost of the meal is \$8.00, for adults and \$4.00 for kids under 10 years old, music is free.

These fundraisers, plus personal donations and one corporate sponsor are only means for support. We do not get any funding from the county or state. So please come and join us for a great evening. The firefighters and I thank you for all your support over the years.

- Sincerely Roy Boyd, Chief,

The Varsity Lady Buffs won the Buffalo Relays Track Meet on Thursday. Full results from the Varsity Girls and Boys, JV Girls and Boys, and Junior High Meets

## **Chamber Handing Out Leprechaun Loot** on St. Patrick's Day, Saturday, March 17th

Saint Patrick's Day is right around the corner, and so is your opportunity to win Leprechaun Loot.

On Saturday, March 17, be sureto be shopping around town wearing your green. At various times throughout the day, the "Chamber Leprechaun" will stop into a chamber business and hand out Loot to a lucky customer obviously wearing

Please note that employees of that business are not eligible, and you may only be selected as a winner once in the day.

The leprechaun will randomly visit Circle R Boutique, Lowe's

Market, Mexico City Cafe, Lawrence Farm and Ranch, Higginbotham Brother's, Patsy's Flowers and Gifts, Subway, Dairy Queen, Food Plaza, Bullock's Backwoods Beer Barn, Junkin Daze, Hutton Automotive, and Anthony's Automotive.

Don't forget that Leprechaun's hate to give up their treasure, everything may not be as it

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce wishes you the luck of the Irish and hopes you receive Loot from your local Chamber Leprechaun on Saturday, March 17th.

# **Spring Community-**Wide Garage Sale, Saturday, April 7th

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will be having at Spring Community-Wide Garage Sale! The date is set for Saturday, April 7th.

Start cleaning out your closets and storage buildings and planning your garage or yard

The Chamber again will be doing a map showing where the garage sales are located. You can get on the Garage Sale Map for \$5. Drop off your information and \$5 at Junkin Daze, Wednesday-Saturday,

through April 4th. Sponsored by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, the Community-Wide Garage Sale brings people into Cross Plains from neighboring communities to shop for bargains and spend the day in our town.

## My school Color Run set for March 9th

The Cross Plains Marching Band is hosting a My School Color Run on March 9th. This is a fun way to get some exercise, no matter your level of fitness. The length of the race is a mile fun run and an optional 5K route. There will be 4 color stations runner go through. This event will be held at the Cross Plains ISD campus at 2pm. This is an early release day from school. We are very excited about the launch of the My School Color Run to our campus and look forward to appreciate your support.

involving the entire community in this fun and healthy program. Participants can register the day of the race or at the school office. It is \$35 to participate in this event. It is a fundraiser to benefit The Cross Plains

Marching Band. The Band had a very successful year, they competed and placed 11th in the State and also received a Division 1 rating. We are looking forward to what next years marching season brings and would

**Senior Center** Has Medical Equipment Available at No Cost

Neighbor helping neighbor..... Cross Plains and the surrounding area has always been quick to help a neighbor with a need.

The equipment that has been donated to the Senior Center proves this. We have a wide array of medical equipment, hospital beds, walkers, wheelchairs, canes, shower chairs, and the list goes on, including sanitary protection.

This is available to anyone at no cost. The blessing of paying it forward the families who so generously donate these items is the only payment they desire. Come by the Senior Center at 108 N. Main or call 254-725-6521 and let us help you.



Cross Plains VFD Fish Fry is on Friday, April 7th

## Texas Baseball (T-ball, Machine Pitch, 10U, 12U and 14U) Heritage Bank We're Proud of Our Local Heritage" Member **FDIC Presents:**

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## **Dance at Senior Center** on Monday, March 12th

Come dance the night away at the Cross Plains Senior Center on Monday, March 12th, starting at 6:30 p.m.

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

Snacks and beverage provided. Dinner is potluck. Only \$5 admission. Everyone and have a good time!



55 and older is invited to come

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Kevin Morton, Pastor

Office 254-725-7377 Parsonage 254-725-7694

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Praise Worship - 10:15 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m.

1000 North Main Street www.crossplainsfumc.org fumccrossplains@gmail.com

## First Baptist Church

Sunday Morning 10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School

9:30 Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship
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Kenneth Reiter, Pastor

(254) 725-7629 301 N. Main, Cross Plains, TX

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433 North Main Street
Cross Plains, Texas 76443
Minister: RICK AUSTIN
SUNDAY:

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Bible Class: 9:45 A.M.
Evening Worship: 6:00P.M.
Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.
Ladies Class - Wednesday:
10:00A.M. (at the church activity

center on East Hwy 36) Office: (254-725-6117)

Cell Phone: Rick - (918) 348-6859

## **Triple Cross Cowboy Church**

Every Sunday at 10:30 am
Services held at 18071 CR 421, Cross Plains
(1/2 mile North of Cross Plains city limits on Hwy 206)



Al Taylor, Preacher
Phone: 254-725-752

Phone: 254-725-7522 Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

## **Pioneer Baptist Church**

Pastor:
Dwaine Clowers

Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley

## Death Notice

## Lois Ofe'

Lois ofe', 92, passed away early February 16th in Abilene.

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# Cross Plains Public Library News

#### Library Hours

Mon. 1:00pm to 5:00pm Tues. 11:00am to 7:00pm Wed. 1:00 to 5:00pm Thurs. 1:00pm to 5:00pm Closed Friday

February 26 - March 1, 2018

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Cross Plains High School Tennis Team - Hanna Fortune, Kenzie Keibler, Macee Steigleder and Coach Anderson



## **CPHS Tennis** Schedule

March 9 March 23 March 27 April 2 or 3

Santa Anna Tournament **Thurs Abilene Tournament** Tues Coleman Dual Meet 4:00 **District Tennis** 

# **Junior High Buffalo Relays Results**

The 8th Grade Girls placed 6.06.18 2nd at the Junior High Buffalo Relays here at Cross Plains High School last Monday, February

The 7th Boys and 8th Boys each came in 3rd; and the 7th Girls placed 5th.

7th Boys

The 7th Boys came in 3rd in the Buffalo Relays with 76 points, placing behind Goldthwaite and Santo, and winning over Hico, Ranger and

Meet Results by Event: 100 M Dash - Collier, 1st, 13:40; Canales, 2nd, 13.52 200 M Dash - Collier, 1st,

28.37 400 M Dash - Tipton, 5th,

1:19.83 1600 M Run - Thompson, 4th, 7:37.12; Shipman, 5th,

9:34.65 110 M Hurdles - Mackey 22.99; Reed, 2nd, 23.14

300 M Hurdles - Canales, 1st, 51.93; Reed, 2nd, 53.43; Mackey, 4th, 1:01.37

7th Girls

the in the Buffalo Relays with 30 points, placing behind Hico, DeLeon, Goldthwaite and Santo, and winning over

100 M Dash - Teresta Barnett, 3rd, 15.56

400 M Dash - Teresta Barnett, 5th, 1:21.06

100 M Hurdles - Sarah Bien, 6th, 23.85

300 M Hurdles - Hailey

Mauricio, 3rd, 1:05.90; Sarah Bien, 6th, 1:09.84

4x400 M Relay - Cross Plains, 5th: Lupita, Sarah Bien, Teresta Barker, Wheeler, Moses, Allen, Barnett, Hailey Mauricio,

8th Girls

The 8th Girls came in 2nd in the Buffalo Relays with 91 points, placing behind DeLeon, and winning over Santo, Hico, Goldthwaite and Ranger.

Meet Results by Event: 100 M Dash - Kash McClure,

4th, 15.75 400 M Dash - Hannah McKinney, 3rd, 1:12.30; Michaela Massey, 4th, 1:15.06 800 M Run - Abbigale Shepard, 2nd, 2:54.88; Alaina

Potter, 4th, 3:00.46 1600 M Run - Alaina Potter, 4th, 7:18.43; Bailey Wells, 6th,

100 M Hurdles - Treycie Bilbrey, 2nd, 19.90

4x100 M Relay - Cross Plains: Abbigale Shepard, Hannah McKinney, Treycie Bilbrey, Michaela Massey, 1st, 57.52

4x200 M Relay - Cross Plains: Abigale Shepard, Hannah McKinney, Treycie Bilbrey, Michaela Massey, 1st, 5:03.84 8th Boys

The 8th Boys came in 3rd The 7th Girls came 5th in in the Buffalo Relays with 68 points, placing behind Goldthwaite and Hico, and winning over Santo, Ranger

and DeLeon. 100 M Dash - Wheeler, 2nd,

200 M Dash - Allen, 1st, 26.34 110 M Hurdles - Barker, 4th,

300 M Hurdles - Moses, 1st, 50.15

4x100 M Relay - Cross Plains: Barker, Wheeler, Moses, Allen, 2nd, 49.34

4x200 M Relay - Cross Plains: 1st, 1:46.59

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# **Buffaloes Make All-District and All-District Academic Teams**

the District 15-A 2018 Boys All District Basketball Team.

Senior Creed Goode, guard, was named Offensive MVP.

Senior Joe Crockett, guard; Junior Tripp Thomas, forward; and Freshman Sean Hernandez, quard, were named 1st Team All District.

Senior Larson Walker, guard, was named to the 2nd Team All District.

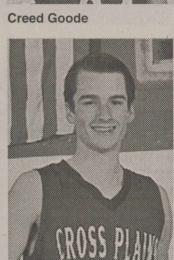
Junior Trent Potter, forward, received Honorable Mention.

Making the Academic All-District Team were: Theron Allen, Joe Crockett, Larson Walker, Creed Goode and Trent

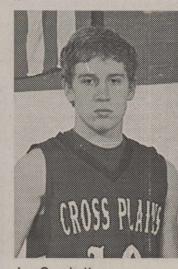
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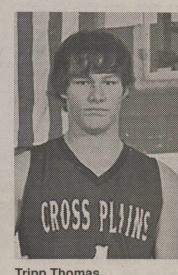




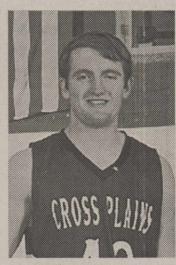
**Larson Walker** 



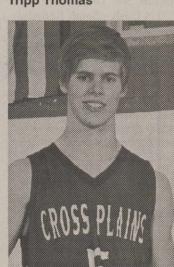
Joe Crockett



**Tripp Thomas** 



**Trent Potter** 



**Theron Allen** 

## Lady Buffs on the Field at the Eula Tournament



**Cross Plains Lady Buffs** Softball

Roster 00 Katy Jo Morgan

2 Mallory McCready

3 Kenzie Kleiber

Kinlee Mathews

5 Hannah Crockett 10 Brooklyn Bell

11 Cayla Barron

14 Caley Box 23 Jackilann Shepard

32 Makayla Torres

44 Jacy Bien 50 Lexie Thompson

MGR - Hanna Fortune MGR - Madilynn Sheperd

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The Lady Buffs Softball

Team participated in the Eula

Tournament over the weekend.

The girls are off to a great start.

On Tuesday, evening they

## Callahan County **Burn Ban** now in effect

Callahan County has reinstated the Countywide Burn Ban effective immediately.

County Judge Roger Corn said the Burn Ban was reinstated Monday, February 26th and will be in effect until county commissioners determine



# **CPHS Lady Buffs** Softball Schedule

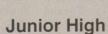
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March 6	Tu	San Saba* There	4:00
March 8	Th	DeLeon* Here	4:00
March 13	Tu	Gorman* Here	5:00
March 16	F	Santa Anna* Here	5:00
March 19	M	Eula Here	5:00
March 23	F	May* There	5:00
March 27	Tu	Goldwaithe* Here	5:00
March 30	F	San Saba* Here	5:00
April 3	Tu	DeLeon* There	5:00
April 6	F	Gorman* There	5:00
April 10	Tu	Santa Anna* There	5:00
April 13	F	Trent There	4:30
April 17	Tu	May Here	5:00
April 20	F	<b>Goldthwaite* There</b>	5:00

\*District Game

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**High School** 

DeLeon

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San Angelo (Regionals)

May (Area)

Schedule

**Thursday** 

Saturday

Saturday

Thursday

Thursday

Fri-Sat

Fri-Sat

Wednesday

March 9 March 19 March 26

March 8

March 17

March 24

March 29

April 4

April 19

**April 27-28** 

May 11-12

Friday Monday Monday

DeLeon May

May (District)

# Varsity Girls, JV Boys Win Buffalo Relays, Varsity Boys Come in Second

The Varsity Girls and the JV Boys each won their division it the Buffalo Relays here at cross Plains High School last hursday, March 1st. The /arsity Boys came in 2nd and he JV Girls 4th. Varsity Girls

The Varsity Girls won the Buffalo Relays on Thursday, Aarch 1st with a total of 117 oints, winning over Hico 114 points), Santo (108 points), DeLeon (104 points), ioldthwaite (87 points), Eula 32 points), Strawn (30 points), Baird (21 points) and Ranger 0 points).

Meet Results by Event: 100 M Dash - Brooklynn <sup>2</sup>atteson, 3rd, 14:32.

200 M Dash - Sarah Kanady, ith, 30:40. 400 M Dash - Jackilann

Shepard, 1st, 1:07.68 300 M Hurdles - Macee Steigleder, 3rd, 51.24

4x100 M Relay - Cross Plains: sarah Kanady, Shana Yates. 1acee Steigleder, Jackilann Shepard, 3rd, 54.97

4x400 M Relay - Cross Plains: Shana Yates, Brook Bell, Macee Steigleder, Jackilann Shepard, st, 4.30.65

4x200 M Relay - Cross Plains: Shana Yates, Brook Bell, River 3radley, Sarah Kanady, 4th, 2.02.68

Long Jump - Shana Yates, ?nd, 14'-6 1/2"; Macee Steigleder, 3rd, 14'-6" Shot Put - Jacy Bien, 6th,

25'-5 1/4" Discus - Jacy Bien, 1st, 91'-)"; Brook Bell, 3rd, 78'-11" Triple Jump - Macee iteigleder, 4th, 31-9"

Pole Vault - Shana Yates, 1st, "-6"; Abigail Wheeler, 2nd,

**Varsity Boys** 

The Varsity Boys came in Second at the Buffalo Relays with total of 113 points, second to Santo (117 points) and winning over DeLeon (93 points), Strawn (87 points), Baird (791 points), Hico (58 points), Goldthwaite (38 points), Eula (18 points) and Ranger (0 points).

Meet Results by Event: 200MDash-CalebHernandez, 2nd. 24.72

400 M Dash - Larson Walker, 4th, 56.31

800 M Run - Eddy Calvagna, 2nd. 2.18.99 100 M Hurdles - Theron Allen,

3rd, 18.90

300 M Hurdles - Theron Allen, 1st, 45.50

4x100 M Relay - Cross Plains: Horan, Caleb Hernandez, Joe Crockett, Creed Goode, 45.90 4x200 M Relay - Cross Plains: Joe Crockett, Larson Walker, Eddy Calvagna, Creed Goode, 3:45.21

Long Jump - Creed Goode, 1st, 20'2"

Shot Put - Aaron Willis, 2nd,

Discus - Tripp Thomas, 4th, 114'-6"; Ty Tipton, 5th, 107'6"; Larson Walker, 6th, 98'-3" High Jump - Creed Goode, 1st, 5'-10"

Pole Vault - Theron Allen,

The Junior Varsity Girls placed fourth in the Buffalo Relays with a total of 53 points, falling behind Hico (230 points), Santo (93.5 points), and Goldthwaite (89 points) and winning over DeLeon (22.9 points), Eula (87 points), Eula (28 points), and Baird, Ranger and Strawn (each 0 points).

100 M Dash - Micha Barron, 5th, 15.34

200 M Dash - Hanna Fortune, 3rd. 32.33

400 M Dash - Hanna Fortune, 2nd, 1:14.24 1600 M Run - Madilynn

Shepard, 3rd, 7:13.29 3200 M Run - Madilynn Shepard, 1st, 15:33.72

4x200 M Relay - Cross Plains: Hanna Fortune, Kenzie Kleiber, Gillian Collins, Micha Barron, 4th, 2:13.52

Shot Put - Lexie Thompson, 4th, 24'-10 1/4"; Isabel Dean,

Discus - Lexie Thompson, 3rd, 77'-0"; Isabel Dean, 6th,

JV Boys

The Junior Varsity Boys placed first in the Buffalo Relays with a total of 178 points, winning over DeLeon (116 points), Hico (111 points), Goldthwaite (103 points), Santo (62 points), Baird (5 points), Eula (0 points) and Ranger (each 0 points). 100 M Dash - Switzer, 1st,

200 M Dash - L. Proctor, 1st;

Jones, 5th, 27.36 400 M Dash - K. Thomas, 3rd; 1:02.11; C. Proctor, 5th, 1:03.08; Johnson, 6th, 1:03.09 800 M Run - McKinney, 2nd,

1600 M Run - Carey, 4th, 6:38.58

110 M Hurdles - S. Hernandez, 1st, 19.66; Jones, 5th, 21.59 4x100 M Relay - Cross Plains: L. Proctor, McWilliams, Tillery, Switzer, 1st, 47.65

4x200 M Relay - Cross Plains: L. Proctor, McWillams, Tillery, Switzer, 1st, 1:44.09

4x400 M Relay - Cross Plains: Tillery, Johnson, McKinney, McWilliams, 1st, 3:58.50

Long Jump - Switzer, 5th,

Shot Put - Parker, 3rd, 35'-6"; Curry, 4th, 34'-2"; Baker, 6th, Discus - Potter, 1st, 92'-

1"; Guerrero, 4th, 86'-11"; Thomas, 5th, 85'-1" Triple Jump - Jones, 2nd,

High Jump - Tillery, 1st, 10'-0"; C. Proctor, 2nd (tie), 8'-0"; McWilliams, 5th, 7'-0"

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## **SKYWARN** training schedule for 2018 told

The National Weather Service has announced the upcoming SKYWARN training schedule for 2018. The schedule dates are as follows:

Monday March 12th: Coleman County, Coleman, Coleman Public Library 6:30 PM.

Monday March 19th: Nolan County, Sweetwater, Texas State Technical College 6:00

Tuesday March 20th: Menard

County, Menard, Fire Dept. 7:00 PM.

Wednesday March 21st: Sutton County, Sonora Fire Dept. TBD.

Thursday April 12th: Runnels County, Ballinger, Fire Dept.

Saturday April 14th: Tom Green County, San Angelo, Trinity Lutheran Church 9 AM









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# Baseball Season is in Full Swing



The Buffaloes are back on the diamond playing baseball, with the Varsity participating in the Gorman Tournament March 1st though 3rd, and the JV at the Eula Tournament during the same time.

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Both the Varsity and JV will play in DeLeon at noon on







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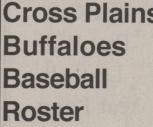


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The first meeting of the Callahan County Historical Commission for 2018 was held on February 19th at the Baird Senior Citizen's Center. Guests were the candidates for the County Judge Office: Nicki Harle, Scott Kniffen and Bobby Lovell. Questions relating to the Callahan County Historical Commission were asked of each candidate. They were most responsive in their answers. It was a pleasure to have them come before our group and thank them for taking the time to meet with us.

Members present were Judy Luter, Bob and Cookie Robinson, Hubert and Marlene Donaway, Dana Voights, Felix Manion, Doug and Judi

Campbell and Elnora Scott. The next meeting is scheduled for June 19, 2018 at the





## **CPHS** Buffaloes **Baseball Schedule**

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March 8-9	VAR	<b>Graford Tournamen</b>	t
March 15	JV,VAR	DeLeon* There	12:00
March 16	JV, VAR	May* Here	12:00
March 20	JV, VAR	Goldthwaite* Here	5:00
March 23	VAR	Winters* There	5:00
March 26	JV	Goldwaithe* There	TBA
March 27	VAR	Gorman* Here	5:00
March 30	VAR	San Saba* There	12:00
April 3	VAR	Miles* Here	5:00
April 6	JV, VAR	DeLeon* Here	4:30
April 9	JV, VAR	May* There	5:00
April 16	JV		
April 17	VAR	Winters* Here	5:00
April 20	VAR	Gorman* There	5:00
April 24	JV,VAR	San Saba Here	5:00
April 27	VAR	Miles* There	5:00

\*District Game

**Head Coach - Tracy Tipton Assistant Coach - Gary Moses** Superintendent - Phil Mitchell **Principal - Brad Jones** 



## **New Texan Visits Howard Museum**

Rick Clevenringa, originally of Chicago, Illinois and now of Weatherford, Texas was a visitor on Friday at the. He and his wife just recently moved to Texas, were his wife accepted a position in the foreign language department at TCU, Fort Worth.

Rick, being a Robert E. Howard fan, chose Cross Plains for one of the first places to visit in his newly adopted state. He was surprised that the former

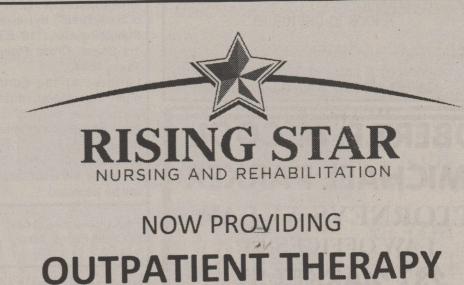
Howard home had been so well restored and has so much history to offer.

To learn more about Cross Plains and what it may have been like when the Howard's lived here he stopped in at Higginbothams store, that opened on Main St, in 1914, for a visit with Debbie Reed.

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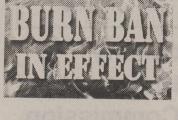
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puts on annually. The last

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responded to several fires and

as you can imagine, this weighs

very heavy on the finances of

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in bloom. Let's keep our fingers

crossed the hard freezes are

CVFC has been busy again.

Last Monday, the 26th, the

crew responded to an assist call

from Cross Plains with a large

grass fire east of Cross Plains

on Highway 36. CVFC assisted

with 2 trucks. The fire was under

control by later afternoon and

the joint effort from several

departments saved several

structures from being burned.

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is still scheduled for March

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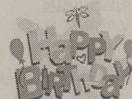
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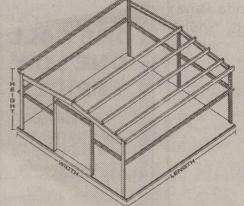
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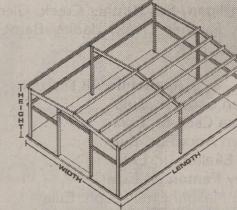
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As the Museum is on the National Register of Historic Places and the NPS is part of the administration of that program, it is a natural fit for the project. Then we add Jeff Shanks, who just happens to

with the NPS as well as a rising star in the Howard movement and we have the makings of an exciting adventure right here

Such a partnership also focuses on community involvement, especially with the school. Numerous plans are in the developmental stage of working with the school, the public library and the 4-H group as well as the larger community

The "dig" is scheduled for the week of April 16-21 and plans will be shared as developed. Questions at this point may be directed to Arlene Stephenson. 725-4993, as she will be working closely with Shanks on the project.

## Cross Plains Masonic Cross Plains Elementary Robert E. Howard Lodge Announces 2018 Honor Roll 4th 6th Weeks Days are coming "AB" Honor Roll

Scholarship Program

Cross Plains Masonic Lodge to 2018 graduates of Cross #627, AF&AM, has announced that it will award four \$1,000 scholarships to deserving graduates in the Cross Plains and Rising Star school districts in 2018. Rex Beggs, Master of the lodge, said that the program is to honor the historic relationship that has existed between Texas Masonry and public education since the founding of the republic.

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soon be hard at work on the annual REH Days. The REH Foundation sets the panel discussions, speakers and in general plans the event while Project Pride facilitates their larger plan.

Friday, June 8 and Saturday,

June 9 will find well over 100 out-of-town guests coming to visit Cross Plains to soak up two days of all things Howard. "Celebrating REH Fans" will be the operating theme for the big event. To this end, panelists from around the world will be discussing how they started reading Conan stories as young teen-agers and have developed a deep attraction for all aspects of Howard's literary contributions. Most of these folks have regular day jobs with involvement in the Howard Movement being a "full" time

Bill Cavalier of Michigan City IN has been named as Guest of Honor for Howard Days 2018. Bill was in the very first group of Howard Fans who visited Cross Plains in the late 1980's before Project Pride even owned the Howard House and has been coming back every year since. Cavalier is a professional artist by trade and as such, has designed several of the postal cancellation designs that are

Project Pride members will always a popular part of the REH Days. He is the point man for the REH Foundation who works closely with Arlene Stephenson, who heads up the local efforts to facilitate their

The whole range of Howard related developments from publications in the pulps of the 1920-30's to the Internet and board games of 2018 will be explored at both the First United Methodist Church and the Cross Plains Public Library

All of the traditional activities that have been a part of the festivities are in place: tours of the Howard Museum and of the grounds that played such a part in the entire Howard story; postal cancellation, silent auction, celebration dinner and poetry on the front porch.

The Staghorn will once again be catering the celebration dinner on Friday, June 8, so put the date on your calendars now. That alone is worth reserving

Additional information will be published as plans move forward. If you are interested in being involved with any part of this, contact Arlene at 725-4993 and she will get you lined up with the appropriate chair-

#### District 15-A 2018 Boys All District Basketball Team

Tri-MVP - Colby Tucker SR. Eula Wyatt Mote SR. May Cade Smith JR. Eula

Offensive MVP- Creed Goode SR. Cross Plains

Co-Defensive MVP-Gage Keckler JR. May Newcomer of the Year- Trace Price Soph. Baird

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Honorable Mention: D.J. Mattes, Sr., Santa Anna: Alex Crowder, Jr., Santa Anna; Chase McIver, Sr., Santa Anna; Jayton Perry, Soph., Santa Anna; Trace Garrett, Jr., Santa Anna; Canyon Jackson, Jr., Panther Creek; Nathan McMahon, Sr., Panther Creek; Austin Sternader, Fr., Panther Creek; Junior Agnew, Fr., Panther Creek; Tyler Wheeler, Soph., May; Kade Goble, Jr., Baird; Max Dayton, Soph., Baird; David Martinez, Sr., Rising Star; Braden Hughes, Jr., Rising Star; Lars Brennan, Jr., Rising Star; Trent Potter, Jr., Cross Plains; Joshua Smith, Sr., Eula

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Co-MVP - Yadira Rodriguez Anna Masonheimer Soph Eula Co-Offensive MVP-

Megan Scott SR Eula Lillie Deel JR Baird Defensive MVP-

Kelsie Gage SR May Co-Newcomer of the Year-Presley Vernon FR Eula

Kortney Morton FR Baird 1st Team All District:

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#### 2nd Team All District:

Chloe Cavitt Soph. Eula Cara Creech Sr. Baird Abby Geye Jr. Rising Star Clara Holladay Sr. Rising Star Kelsey Chambers Jr. May Kyndi Kilgo Jr. May

Honorable Mention: Jacy Bien, Jr., Cross Plains; Hanna Fortune, Jr., Cross Plains; Kailey Fenton, Jr., Eula; Susie Luckow, Jr., Eula; Madison Milliorn, Soph., Eula; Karli Fostel, Fr., Eula; Abbye Howard, Sr., Baird, Andrea Brown, Jr., Baird; Brooke Staten, Sr., Baird; Caryn Lawerence, Soph., Rising Star; Danielle Koonce, Soph., Rising Star; Roberta Robinett, Fr., May; Taylor Cox, Sr., May; Lauren Baker, Jr., May; Madison Diaz, Jr., Santa Anna; Marin Guthrie, Jr., Santa Anna; Alexis Donham, Sr., Santa Anna; Adalee Donham, Fr., Santa Anna; Lilly Milligan, Sr., Panther Creek; Glenda Parra, Soph., Panther Creek; Hadley Barnett, Soph., Panther Creek

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# **Summer Reading Program Needs Sponsors**

The Cross Plains Public Library needs your help for our Summer Reading Program! Each summer, we average 35 children at our reading programs.

We strive to come up with fun and educational programs for our children but are limited by our budget.

Usually, our kids visit places that can be reached on foot: the local newspaper office, the fire department, the post office, the hardware store, etc.

Although interesting and educational, our children have toured them repeatedly. The Abilene Zoo will bring a few animals for a program and the National Guard visits at times. We want to take the kids places where they can experience new things, but WE NEED HELP!!!

Tarleton State University's W.K. Gordon Center is 64 miles away in Mingus and offers a look at the industrial age of Texas. It features a hands-on science tour and scavenger hunt for the children. Admission is free. We would like to provide lunch for the kids with pizza and drinks at nearby BJs Café at

AbileneZoo/FortImagination/ Splash Pad are all located within walking distance of each other in Abilene. The zoo features over 1,000 species of wildlife. Admission is \$3.50/child (\$5/ adult). Fort Imagination has a pavilion that can be rented for \$100 and we would serve everyone a sack lunch there. The splash pad is free.

Frontier Texas!, located in Abilene, is a western heritage center where the children can relive the Old West through the magic of state-of-the-art technology. It features everchanging exhibits that bring the frontier to life and lets visitors meet people who played out their lives on the Texas frontier. Group discount admission is \$3/child and \$8/adults. We would provide a sack lunch for

Grace Children's Museum & Storybook Park are also located in Abilene. The museum features a fully interactive space focusing on Art and Science Concepts. Admission is \$3/ child and \$6/adult. Storybook Park is home to the largest public collection of storybook characters (24) and is free.

The Morgan Jones Planetarium is an extension of Abilene ISD and offers ever-changing programs about our solar system. Admission is \$2/child and \$3/adult.

We are also looking into visiting Greystone Castle in Mingus or studying dinosaurs at the "Dino Room" of the Myrtle Wilks Community Center in Cisco, or visiting the Abilene Philharmonic.

The kids will also visit our local Fire Station, as they always enjoy going there and having the firemen turn on the hoses and let them cool off in the Texas heat. And of course, we always conclude our summer program with Splash in the

A bus and driver have already been donated so that our kids can travel to these events. So, what can you do? Drop by the library and donate to our Summer Reading Program. We will enter your name on one of our shamrocks during March, Easter Eggs in April and flowers in May and display them in the library's front windows. Help us fill up the windows!!!!



Firemen Gather - The Callahan County Firefighter's Association met at the Clyde Firehouse on Saturday, March 3rd with Firefighters from Baird VFD, Clyde VFD, Cross Plains VFD, Cottonwood VFC, Oplin VFD, Putnam VFD, Eula VFD, Hamby VFD and Lake Coleman VFD attending.

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## **Cross Plains Community Calendar**

~~ March ~~

March 7 - Wednesday, ASAP Program at the Library, Celebrate Earth with the Garden Club. 4 p.m.

March 9 - Friday, School's out at 1 p.m.

March 9 - Friday, Cross Plains Elementary My School Color

Run. 2 p.m. March 10 - Saturday, Cross Plains VFD Hamburger

Cookout, Lowe's Market March 12 - Monday, Senior Dance, Cross Plains Senior

Center, 6:30 p.m. March 12-16 - Spring Break -School's out

March 20 - Tuesday, School's out, District Academic Meet March 23 - Friday, Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Fish Fry.

March 29 - Thursday, Maundy Thursday Service, First United Methodist Church, 6 p.m.

March 29 - Thursday. School's out at 1 p.m.

March 30 - Friday, Easter Holiday - School's out March 30 - Good Friday Service, First United Methodist Church, 6 p.m.

~~ April ~~ April 1 - Sunday, Easter;

Sunrise Service, First United Methodist Church, 7 a.m. April 2 - Monday, Easter

Holiday - School's out

April 4 - Wednesday, ASAP Program at the Library, "Bug Day...all about Bugs". 4 p.m. April 6 - Friday, Cross Plains VFD Fish Fry, First Baptist Church Family Life Center, 5-7

April 7 - Saturday, Burkett Volunteer Fire Department Annual Barbeque

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Callahan County Court Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Brenda C. Cauthen, theft by check \$20<\$500.

**Misdemeanor Minutes** 

Hunter D. Rackler, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted for plea to other cases.

Christopher Soules, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted for plea to other case.

Java G. Westbrook, Jr., check granted in the interest violence. of justice.

Barylak; Wanda Grice; Gary ter; Emily Pruitt. Johnson; Raymond Stokes; Patricia L. Welch; Ryan Hous-Thomas Jefferson Price III; Chrystie Jean Patterson; Jody Harris; Hayden A. Har- fine, court costs. son; Damon Reinhart; Ken \$334 court costs. Post; Cory Stowers; Santiago Webb, Jr.; Robert Flores, Jr.; granted. Devin Ingram.

**42nd District Court** James Eidson, presiding

**Civil Minutes** 

U.S. currency, default judg- fine, \$309 court costs. ment granted.

granted. State of Texas vs. Volkswa-

Kelya Manet Shipley and

Sean Randal Shipley, divorce granted.

State of Texas vs. \$13,063.00 US currency, Titan 24 caliber pistol, Taurus 380 caliber pistol, IZH 380 caliber pistol, Beretta 9 mm caliber pistol, Walther 22 caliber pistol, 2004 Chevrolet Tahoe, default judgment granted.

Zachary Glen Curtis Patterson and Haley Monique Patterson, divorce granted.

Diana Lorraine Newman and Frank Aaron Newman, divorce

**Criminal Indictments** 

Nathan Stephens, assault motion to dismiss to theft by causing bodily injury, family

Possession of a controlled Motion to dismiss due to age substance: Jerry Black; Brenof cases, death of defendants, da Turner; Martin Cerda; Meunavailability of witnesses, lissa Hopper: Jason Howard; defendants pled to other relat- Patricia Rice; Brandi Smthe; ed cases, or inability to prove Nicole Villanueva; Alisha Zvocases: Marlena K. Anzalone; lanek; Harold Parker; Drew Betty L. Barnett; Dorothy L. Thibodeaux, Brandon Lasse-

**Criminal Minutes** 

Mason T. Anthony, plea of Gerald Wayne Arnold; No- guilty to possession of maricona Riley; Ricki A. Markow; juana, 3 year probation, \$1000

rell, Jr.; Royce R. Trout; Rich- Kelvin Menefee, plea of guilty ard D. Bates; Abel Avila; Dale to possession of a controlled E. Chaffin; James H. Hutchin- substance, 4 years in prison,

Angela S. Hill, motion to re-Segura; J.R. Webb; Arthur voke probation and adjudicate Lucrecia Rose, order amend-

ing condition of probation granted. David Covington, order amending condition of proba-

tion granted. Roy Rankin, plea of guilty to State of Texas vs. \$9000.00 forgery, 6 months in jail, \$500

Robert Woody, plea of guilty State of Texas vs. 1994 to possession of a controlled Ford F-150, default judgment substance, 3 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$359 court costs.

Christopher Pair, order gen Jetta, default judgment amending condition of probation granted.

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and contains hundreds of photographs. At \$20 each, they are a great value. The books, printed in 2011 and 2012, will not be reprinted.

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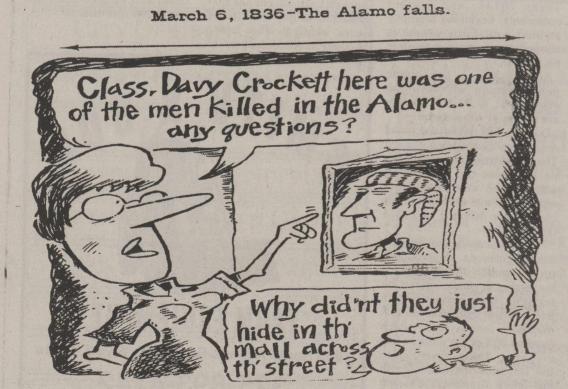
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Prep/Total Time: 30 Minutes Ingredients:

1 pound ground beef

1 medium green pepper, halved and sliced 1 small onion, halved and thinly sliced

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and thinly sliced

2 tablespoons butter 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour

1/2 teaspoon pepper

1/4 teaspoon salt

1-1/2 cups 2% milk

2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce 2 cups shredded provolone cheese

1 package (16 ounces) potato gnocchi

**Directions** 

1In a large skillet, cook and crumble beef with green pepper, onion and jalapeno over medium-high heat until no longer pink, 5-7 minutes. Remove from pan with a slotted spoon; pour off drippings.

2. In same skillet, melt butter over medium heat. Stir in flour, pepper and salt until smooth; cook and stir until lightly browned, 2-3 minutes. Gradually whisk in milk and Worcestershire sauce. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly; cook and stir until thickened, 5-7 minutes. Stir in cheese until melted. Stir in beef mixture; heat through.

3. Meanwhile, cook gnocchi according to package directions. Drain; add to sauce, stirring gently. Serve immediately. Yield: 6 servings.





#### Cisco College Meat Judging Team Finishes Spring 2018 Season Strong

**RS HS Project Graduation** 

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Cisco, Texas (March 5, Grading, Total Beef, and Total 2018) - The Cisco College Meat Judging team finished the Spring 2018 season strong at the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest held at Martin Preferred Foods in Houston, TX.

The Cisco College team placed 5th in Beef Grading, and took 6th place overall at the contest. Allyson Hollenbeck was 10th high individual overall, winning 10th place individual in Beef

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It was a successful end to the first half of the 2018 season and the team is already preparing for the fall season.

A special thank you to coaches Mark Zoeller and Hannah Griffith for their help. The team will finish up the 2018 season in the fall with the American Royal, Beef Empire Days, and the A- Division Nationals - Cargill High Plains.

Tuesday

March 20

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6:30 PM

# Chatter

Spring cleaning is in the air. Not only is Mexico City Cafe sporting a new coat of paint and new menus, Lowe's Market has been cleaning and painting as well. Wonder who's going to be sprucing up their store front next.

Anthony's Automotive moved into their new location this last weekend. They are now at 640 South Main St. Cross Plains. Be sure to stop in and congratulate

It seems like everyone is either getting married or having babies and grand-babies. There are number of places in Cross Plains that carry the perfect gift. Patsy's has Nordic Ware kitchen items, Junkin Daze and Higginbothams carry onesies, and all three have an array of phenomenal gift items.

The town was blessed with good soaking rains this week that have certainly helped the hay fields and lawns. It a great time to layout where the garden should go and start up the tiller. Lowe's Market has started carrying fruit trees, so the garden plants can't be too far behind.

Wear Green and Be Seen on St. Patrick's Day. The Cross Plains Chamber Leprechaun will be visiting local chamber businesses to surprise the a lucky customer wearing green with Leprechaun Loot... whether the Loot is hard or sweet, it will be a neat treat.

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Homecoming is Friday and Saturday, September 7th and 8th. The Buffaloes will play Ranger on Saturday night.

Please join the committee to help plan this big, fun event. Any questions, call Connie Kirkham, secretary/Treasurer , at 254-725-6500, or Rusty Reed, President, at 325-660-

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### **Spring Break and Early Outs** at Cross Plains Schools

Early Out at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, March 9th Buses will run at 1:10

Spring Break will be March 12th-16th

**Return to Classes on** Monday, March 19th at regular time.

There will be no school on Tuesday, March 20th. We are hosting the District Academic Meet. School will begin at regular time on Wednesday, March 21st.

In Celebration of Easter, school will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 29th. There will be no school on Friday, March 30th and Monday, April 2nd. School will begin at regular time on Monday, April

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MAJOR FISHING and **HUNTING REGULATION PROPOSALS** 

About this time every year, the cycle of new regulations hits full

The staff assembles and previews new proposals in November, presents the final plans to the Commission in January, and takes them to public hearings prior to final passage at the March Commission meeting, this year on the 22

These proposals aren't just whims of bureaucrats in Austin sitting behind desks daydreaming. They originate with wildlife and fisheries biologists and game wardens who spend the year working in the field studying the game and fish resources. The recommendations are then vetted up through staff and legal authorities before being presented to the Commission and the public. Occasionally, proposals originate from the public by what's called a Petition for Rule Making.

There are public hearings on proposals, announced in advance in newspapers and on the TPWD website (www.tpwd. Texas.gov). Comments can also be made on the website. The Commission is informed of comments during the public hearing in March. The public may also appear at that hearing at TPWD headquarters at 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, Texas 78744, and present comments, beginning promptly at 9:00 a.m. Each witness is allowed three minutes to state his opinion.

Additionally, a live online public hearing will occur on March 6 at 12:00 P.M. Details are on the TPWD website.

Does public testimony have any effect? Sometimes it does. The Commission listens. There's no guarantee the Commission will vote the way you hope it will, but I have seen proposals changed or defeated by public testimony.

This year, simplified largemouth bass regulations are proposed on 12 public lakes, leading the league in public interest by reverting from various length limits to the statewide 14-inch minimum length limit, which governs 80% of the water bodies in Texas. Lakes reverting to the statewide minimum length are lakes Granbury, Possum Kingdom, Ratcliff, Georgetown, Madisonville, Bryan, Bridgeport,



New regulation proposals will standardize deer and Rio Grande turkey seasons in the north and south hunting zones, set rules concerning shooting a white-tailed buck deer with less than a 13-inch antler spread in antler restriction counties, establishing an experimental mule deer antler restriction in six Panhandle counties, and legalizing air guns and air bows. Photo by John Jefferson

Cooper Lake, Old Mount Pleasant City Lake, Burke-Crenshaw Lake, San Augustine City Lake and Sweetwater Reservoir.

Grapevine Lake will change to no minimum length limit. Fayette County Reservoir, Gibbons Creek Reservoir and Lake Monticello will change their slot length limit to 16-24 inches. Purtis Creek State Park Lake and Lake Raven will adopt a 16-inch minimum length limit instead of catch and release, with an exception for bass to be entered in the Toyota ShareLunker competition. Lake Bellwood and Davy Crockett Lake will change their maximum length limits to 16 inches, with both lakes having the ShareLunker exception.

Several hunting changes are proposed. The most significant one is extending the North Zone deer and Rio Grande turkey seasons until the third Sunday in January. This will standardize whitetail seasons in both zones, as they should have been. There was no biological reason for the difference when originally changed in 2001, and none, now. The special late antlerless season, muzzleloading season, and the late youth season will open the Monday following the third Sunday.

Other proposed changes include use of air guns, air bows, and whitetail and mule deer antler restrictions.



# **Cross Plains VFD Needs Your Help**

The Cross Plains Volunteer calls, many of those were grass Fire Department needs your

Many people may not realize that equipment like the "Jaws of Life" and the air tanks and breathing apparatus that the firemen use in house and structure fires need to be inspected and re-certified each

This inspection on the lifesaving equipment, plus major repairs to the firetrucks, has cost the Fire Department over \$10,000, just in the past month or so.

This expenditure, plus insurance and other current expenses have left the department in a financial crunch.

Over the past year, the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department responded to 69

fires that the department was able to contain and keep the damage to a minimum.

Some of the calls were for automobile wrecks, where the "Jaws of Life" and other instruments were used to extricate people from their

Other calls were for structure fires and automobile fires.

CPVFD has been there on call, ready to roll and put out the fire and work the wreck

Now, CPVFD needs you help. If you've been thinking about making a donation to help out local fire department, now is the time.

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## Mosquito **Abatement** Workshop

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct a Vector Abatement workshop. Registration will begin at 8:00 am, and the program will last until 3pm. March 9th at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office of Taylor County located at 1982 Lytle Way, Abilene, TX.

The workshop is designed to train personnel in cities and municipalities that are in the field of mosquito abatement. The workshop will educate personnel on mosquito identification, biology, & mosquito-borne diseases. Pesticide chemistry will be covered as well.

No charge for workshop, however; Pre-registration required at the following link. http://livestockvetento.tamu. edu or call Heidi 254-968-4144.

Continuing education units will be offered for pesticide licensing through the Texas Department of Agriculture. A total of 5 Agriculture CEU's: 2 general, 2 integrated pest management & 1 laws & regulations. 3 Structural CEU's: 1 general, 1 integrated pest management & 1 laws & regulations. Animal Control CE's will be offered as well.

For more Information: Dr. Sonja Swiger @ slswiger@ ag.tamu.edu or Heidi Nivens @ Heidi.nivens@ag.tamu.edu or call 254-968-4144 if you have any questions.

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## Callahan County Commissioners' Court meeting from Monday, February 26th

County Commissioners' Court was held at its regular meeting place in the courthouse on February 26, 2018, at 9:30 A.M., with the following officers present to wit: Roger Corn, Judge Presiding; Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; Erwin Clark, Commissioner Precinct No. 4: Nicole Crocker. County Clerk; Sandra Rose, County Auditor; and Jan Windham, County Treasurer. Also attending the meeting were: Terry Joy, Sheriff; Rick Jowers, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Shane Deel, County Attorney Karl Wige, County Extension Agent; Nicki Harle, Bobby Lovell, Waylch Prather, Rick McGowen, Ashley McGowen, Cody Phillip, Laci Vaughn, and Don Ackins.

The following items of business were transacted:

—The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Judge Corn. All Commissioners were

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

-Under public comment Doug Campbell, a member of the Callahan County Firefighters Association, asked if the court would consider reinstating the burn ban next

-Commissioner Farmer made a motion to reinstate the

seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Hicks made a motion to accept the overtime report with 178.25 unapproved hours. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-After discussion, no action was taken on the agenda item: wrecker service rotation for the Callahan County Sheriff's

-No action was taken on the agenda item: open and accept or reject bids for the Hyster Grid Roller for Precinct 4.

-Gary Smith, with Grant Works, discussed with the court "2016 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program' for which Callahan County is eligible, as a result of the 2016 flooding. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to proceed in procuring for a grant administration and engineers to come out and give a cost estimate. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Windham made a motion to accept the monetary donation from Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Cohn to the Callahan County Library in memory of Tom Ivey. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve the agreement with Automated Copy Systems for a copier in the

The meeting of the Callahan burn ban. Commissioner Clark veteran's office. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve budget adjustment #7. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve the estimate from Perfection Cleaning Service, INC. for deep cleaning the county court room, the district court room, the veteran's office and the library. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Judge Corn made a motion that we contract with Perfection Cleaning Service, INC. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve payroll. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Windham made a motion to pay the approved bills with the additional change and pay the approved payroll. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

-Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:44 A.M.

## The Texas History Minute Sponsored by: HANNER CHEVROLET

## Mystery writer Bill Crider of Alvin

things by which nobody by chance ever observes," once wrote novelist Arthur Conan Doyle. Good storytelling often mixes those observations of life from angles which people rarely look. A mix of suspense and humor into bizarre mysteries marked the career of Texas novelist Bill Crider. A man of good humor and gracious goodwill toward his fellow writers, Crider became a favorite among mystery readers.

Allen Billy Crid Mexia in July 1941. He grew up in the small Limestone County community with a brother and a sister, and along the way, he whittled his name simply to "Bill." His brother, Bob Crider, ultimately became a science teacher in Mexia. The future author's childhood included baseball cards and music as well as a growing appreciation for the written word. He proved an able student and graduated at the top of his class at Mexia High School in 1959. After graduation, he headed

to Austin as an English major at the University of Texas. He graduated with a bachelors degree in 1963. He then enrolled in the graduate school at North Texas State University (the modern University of North Texas) in Denton. In 1965, Crider married Judy Stutts, a fellow Limestone County native and Baylor University graduate. The union would last the next 49 years. After the two married, she worked as a secretary while he completed graduate school. Once Crider earned a masters degree in 1969, he left Denton and returned to The University of Texas for his doctorate. While in Austin, his wife gave birth to a son and a daughter. He enjoyed his learning experience in graduate school, and in his often self-deprecating wit, once claimed he would not have left if his wife "hadn't forced me to get out and get a real job." He wrote his doctoral dissertation on detective novels, a genre he had long since fallen in love with, and earned his Ph.D. in 1972.

Crider landed work as a professor of English at Howard Payne University in Brownwood as he finished his dissertation. In 1982, he edited Mass Market Publishing in America, a guide for aspiring writers. He stayed at the university for twelve years, leaving in 1983. Afterward, he took a position teaching English at Alvin Community College, not far from Houston.

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"The world is full of obvious els and short stories. In 1981, he published "A Right to Be Dead" with co-author Joe Lansdale. In 1986, he released Too Late to Die. The book won the Anthony Award for Best First Novel from the Mystery Writers of America in 1987. It was the first of roughly two dozen novels in a series featuring Sheriff Dan Rhoads, a small-town Texas sheriff. Crider also released the popular Texas Capitol Murders in 1992. Several the awkward position of solving mysteries, including One Dead Dean (1988) and A Knife in the Back (2002).

In the late 1990s, Crider penned two novels with famed TV weatherman Willard Scott. Murder under Blue Skies (1998) and Murder in the Mist (1999). the two books in the series. centered on the character of Stanley Waters, a retired TV meteorologist-turned-detective.

Most of his works were mysteries, but he branched out into other areas. He wrote six western novels between 1988 and 1999. He wrote six horror novels under the pen name Jack MacLane. He also wrote several books for children, including the award-winning Mike Gonzo

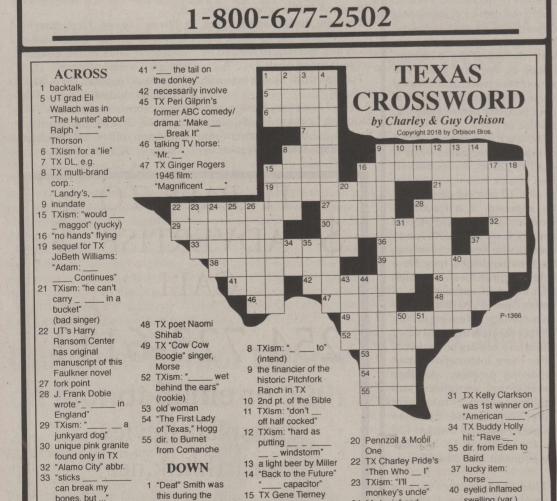
While his writing career took off, he rose in the ranks at Alvin

Community College, eventually becoming Chairman of Division of English and Fine Arts. Crider retired from teaching in 2002 and devoted himself to his writing. He laughingly referred to himself as "a full-time writer or a parttime bum."

His wife remained a constant partner and supporter in his writing career. Judy Crider edited the rough drafts of his works and offered many suggestions as he of his mysteries centered around went through the writing pro-English professors thrust into cess. Eventually, she took up writing as well. In 2001, the two co-wrote "Chocolate Moose," a short story that appeared in the anthology Death Dines at 8:30. The two won the Anthony Award for Best Short Story in 2002 from the Mystery Writers of America.

He wrote an Internet blog after his retirement where readers enjoyed his humorous look at everything from television to the frustrations of buying a new lawnmower at Wal-Mart. He published several more books. He ultimately wrote more than 50 books. Crider died recently at his home in Alvin at the age of 76, a man beloved in print by his readers and in real life by his family and many friends.

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



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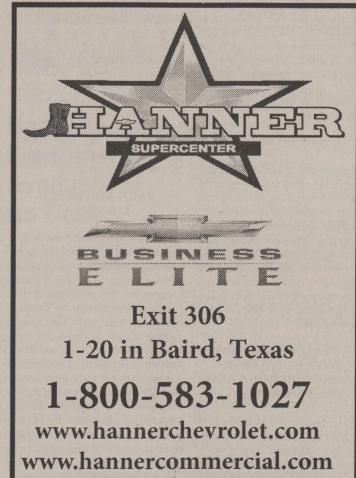
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# **Howard Museum** on Highway 36

During the past week two calls with Texas A & M University, were received from travelers driving across Texas on Highway 36. One headed north, the other going south. They had sent their GPS systems for their destinations and saw the Howard Museum in Cross Plains noted as place of interest to visit. They found telephone numbers to call for information. Calls were made and tours were arranged.

Jason Curry and Conner Daube of Boston, Massachusetts arrived first. They are air control researches and had been researching in a project

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Galveston and were heading home. Jason is the real Howard fan of the two and was delighted to see the little white house where all the material of his book collection had originated. John Lueckenotte of Denver,

Coloradoisalavatory technician for the Veterans Administration and was on his way to Forthood, Texas area. He has been a great Howard fan since he began reading the Conan comic books in the 1970's All three guys left with purchases from the Museum gift shop for themselves and their friends.

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## **Cross Plains Library** holding a coloring contest

and grab your coloring sheet and return to the library. All ages welcome to part-

Starting March 1, 2018 the icipate. We will have two Cross Plains Public Library will winners, one boy and one be holding a coloring contest. girl, the winners will receive You can come in at any time and Easter Basket filled with goodies. The contest will end and judging will be on March

### Cross Plains Public Library to Host Book-to-Movie Event

The Cross Plains Public Jean's Feed Barn for a Dutch-Same Kind of Different as Me: A Modern-Day Slave, an International Art Dealer, and the Unlikely Woman Who Purpose Room of the library on

Library will host a book- treat dinner to discuss the book to-movie event featuring vs. the movie. Participants may purchase their own copy of the book or pick up a copy for \$5 at the library

Be sure to read this true story Bound Them Together." We of pain, betrayal, and brutality will view the movie in the Multi- that includes life-changing love. Then join us to view this Thursday, March 22, beginning thought-provoking film and at 5:30p.m., and then head to participate in a lively discussion!

## Celebrate the Earth -**ASAP After School** Program, March 7th

The ASAP program is full swing at the library. The program is held the first Wednesday in each month and continues through Spring. All programs are from 4pm

March's program, on Wednesday, March 7th, is is "Celebrate Earth" with the Garden Club Remaining programs: April 4: Bug Day...all about Schedule is subject to change.

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## ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS

Property owners have certain rights that may reduce their property tax burden.

#### **HOMEOWNERS**

Persons who own their residence on January 1, 2018, may claim their home as a residential homestead. The filing of this document is only necessary if the homeowner has changed homesteads since January 1, 2017, or has become eligible for additional exemptions since last year. Homeowners may also defer the portion of the tax on their residence homestead if the value of the home was raised more than 5% above the previous year. Although the taxes collection is deferred, interest continues to run on the unpaid portion of tax at a rate of 8% per annum and the deferred tax remains a lien on the property. To apply for the deferral, the owner should contact the appraisal district which appraised the property in question and complete an application.

#### DISABLED PERSONS

Person who are disabled under Social Security law are entitled to additional exemption on their residential homestead. Disable applicants must apply with the appraisal district and furnish a determination letter from Social Security. Disabled persons now receive all benefits on their home that are available to over 65 persons (see below).

PERSONS WHO ARE **OVER 65 YEARS OF** AGE-EXEMPTIONS AND DEFERRAL

Persons who are over 65 years of age or disabled persons may file for additional exemptions and a ceiling on school taxes for their residential homestead f they become 65 during 2017

or will be 65 during 2018. Over-65 persons should apple for this exemption at the appraisal district office in their county. Over-65 person are also eligible to defer paying the tax on their residential homestead if they wish. The taxes continue to accrue during the deferral along with an interest rate of 8% annually, but no attempt will be made to force payment during the deferral. Details and an application may be obtained from any appraisal district or the State Comptroller.

#### **DISABLED VETERANS**

Persons who have been declared disabled by the Veteran's Administration are eligible for additional exemptions on property they own. The declaration letter from VA is mailed annually, but the appraisal district only needs a copy in the year of eligibility or if the percentage of disability changes. In certain situations where the disabled vet is 100% disabled and unemployable, their homestead can be completely exempt. An annual reapplication for the 100% exemptions may be required by the Chief Appraiser.

#### FARM AND RANCH **OWNERS**

Farmers and ranchers may be entitled to receive an alternate method of appraisal determined by the farm income to the property. This method is available to farms and ranches commercially raising crops or livestock or which are used as a wildlife habitat under State guidelines. An application for agricultural use value and additional information is available from your appraisal district. Re-filing is only necessary if requested to do so by the Chief Appraiser.

> EXEMPTION **APPLICATIONS**

Exemption applications for all property tax exemptions including total exemptions for charitable, religious, and other total exemptions may be obtained from an appraisal district nearest you or through the State Comptroller's Office at 1/800-252-9121 or from their website at: http://www. windowns.state.tx.us/taxinfo/ taxforms/02-forms.html.

#### **BUSINESS PERSONAL** PROPERTY OWNERS

State law now requires the filing of a rendition declaring what types of business personal property that a person or company owns. Failure to file the rendition will result in a 10% penalty. If a fraudulent rendition is filing, a 50% penalty is mandated. A rendition can be obtained from the appraisal district office where the property is located. Deadline-April 15. A 30 day filing extension is available by written request.

Callahan County Business reminded to render taxable property by April 15th

If you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income, you must file a rendition with the Callahan County Appraisal District by

April 15th, 2018. A rendition is a report that lists all the taxable property a person owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. Tax laws require all businesses to pay property tax based on the value of the assets used in the business to generate income. These assets include inventory, furniture, fixtures, machinery, equipment and vehicles. Owners do not have to render exempt property, such as church property or agriculture producers' equipment used for farming, unless specifically requested from the Chief Appraiser. By April 15th of

each year, business owners must provide the appraisal district with a listing of those assets. Your business should have received a Confidential Business Personal Rendition from the appraisal district. If you have not received this form please call at 325/854-5865. If you own multiple business locations, you will need to complete the rendition form for each location.

The Appraisal District may use the information submitted in the rendition to set property values as well as field inspections of businesses. You can also file a report of decreased value to notify the district of significant deprecation of your property. For example, if your property was damaged by a storm, flood, or fire last year, you should file a report of decreased value. The district will look at your property before assigning

a value in 2017. The last day to file a rendition or report of decreased value is April 15, 2018. If a rendition is filed late or incomplete or not at all a 10 percent penalty will be imposed, if a fraudulent rendition is filing, a 50 percent penalty is mandated. Property owners who need more time to file their renditions may file a written request for an extension with the chief appraiser on or before April 15, 2018 to receive an automatic extension to May 15th or the next business day if it falls on a holiday or weekend. For more information about rendering property, deadline extensions, penalties and rendition forms, taxpayers may contact the Callahan County Appraisal District, 132 w. 4th St., Baird, TX 79504 or

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## **Senior Citizens Center Activities**

#### March 12th -March 16th

Monday-12th Exercise 11:00/Dance 6:00pm Tuesday-13th Exercise 11:00/Game Night 6:00 pm Wednesday-14th Exercise 11:00/Blood Pressure check by Kindred at Home of Eastland

Thursday-15th Exercise 11:00/Manicures by Whitney Encompass/ Reading with 3rd Graders 9:45 and 1:05 Friday-16th Exercise 11:00/Bingo 11:15 with by Kindred at Home of Eastland

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#### SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

#### March 12th -March 16th

Monday 12th Steak Fin- Thursday 15th- Meatloaf, gers, Potatoes with gravy, Potatoes, Black eyed Peas, Green Beans, Bread, Des- Bread, Dessert

Tuesday 13th-Salmon Pat- Friday 16th-Tuna Sandties, Baked Beans, Potato wich, Pork-n-Beans, Chips, Salad, Bread, Dessert

Wednesday 14th-Chicken Broccoli, Cheese, Casserole, Salad, Bread, Dessert

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

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

## **Pond Management Program Set for April 6th**

Pond management will be the topic of a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service program set April 6 in the agency's Callahan County office, 100 W. 4th St., Suite 201 in Baird.

Registration will start at 8:30 a.m. with the program to follow at 9 a.m.

"With spring upon us, it's time tostartsettingandimplementing pond management goals," said Karl Winge, AgriLife Extension agent in Callahan County. "Our area is blessed with a number of ponds that with a bit of added management done correctly, could easily return a profit. The goal of this program is to introduce, and in some cases demonstrate, the fundamental tools and techniques needed to achieve those goals."

Topics and speakers will include:

- Pond Location, Design and Stopping Leaking Ponds, Gary Franke, U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service soil conservation technician. Albany

- Fish Selection and Management, Steven Bardin, Texas Pro Lake Management, fisheries biologist, Comanche. - Aquatic Plant ID and

Management, Dr. Michael Masser, AgriLife Extension fisheries specialist, College

The program's last presentation will be a hands-on electrofishing demonstration andassessmenttobeconducted on the Pruet Ranch, 2 miles south of Baird on U.S. Highway

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units in the general category will be offered.

Individual registration is \$20, which includes lunch. For more information and to RSVP by April 2, call the AgriLife Extension office in Callahan County at 325-854-5835.

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