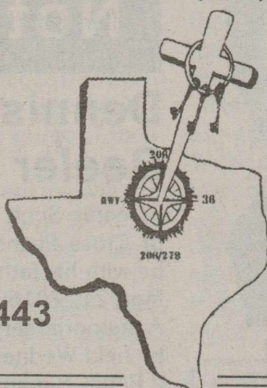


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Teagan Bailey Fortune
Valedictorian



Rebekah Jane Crockett
Salutatorian

23 Seniors to Graduate on Friday Night - Fortune and Crockett Lead the CPHS Class of 2016

Cross Plains High School Senior Class will bring their school days to a close on with graduation exercises Friday night, May 27th, at 7 p.m. in the High School Gymnasium. Lori McCullough will perform the processional as the 23 members of the senior class enter. The Invocation will be given by Senior Class Member Kaitlyn Potter, followed by Senior Class Member Kelli Bennett, who will welcome the guests to the ceremonies. Guest Speaker Bryan Bennett will address a speech to the

graduates. The Salutatory Address will be given by Rebekah Crockett, daughter of Davy and Kim Crockett. During Rebekah's high school career, she was involved with Basketball, Softball, Powerlifting, Track, FCCLA, Annual Staff, FCA, Key Club, National Honor Society, Student Council, UIL and other activities and sports. She plans to attend Abilene Christian University where she will major in Education and become an Elementary School Teacher.

The Valedictory Address will be delivered by Teagan Fortune, daughter of Heather Fortune and Bill Steele, and Trey Fortune. During her high school career, Teagan was involved with Basketball, Track, Key Club, FCA, National Honor Society, Cheerleading, UIL and other activities and sports. Teagan plans to attend Sam Houston State University and obtain a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice and become a Forensic Psychologist. Awards will be presented to the Senior Class by High

School Principal Brad Jones. Scholarship winners will be recognized by High School Counselor Stacy Jones. Superintendent Phil Mitchell will present the Class of 2016 and the School Board Members will hand out diplomas to the graduates. Presentation to the families will follow the diplomas. Senior Class Member Kristi Ward will give the Benediction. The Recessional will be played by Lori McCulloch.

CPHS Senior Receives Full Four Year Terry Foundation Scholarship

Teagan Fortune, 2016 CPHS Valedictorian, is the deserving recipient of the 2016 Terry Foundation Scholarship. The Terry Foundation is a Houston-based scholarship

meeting the Founders' goal of helping Texas college students to help themselves (www.terryfoundation.org). Terry Scholars are selected from a highly competitive pool of incoming freshman who demonstrate exceptional leadership, character, and scholastic ability. They exhibit a well-rounded personality and are grounded in the desire to succeed.

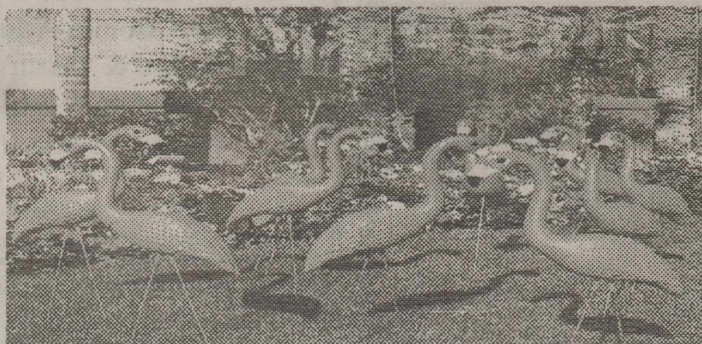
During her four years at CPHS, Teagan was active in the FFA, National Honor Society, Key Club International, UIL, Yearbook, cheerleading, basketball, track & field, and powerlifting. She also served as a class officer, NHS President, Student Council Representative, completed over thirty hours of dual credit college courses, and participated in numerous community service events. Teagan will be attending Sam Houston State University in the fall and will major in Criminal Justice and Psychology. The Terry Foundation will gift Teagan with a fully paid education. She is the daughter of Heather Fortune and Bill Steele and Trey Fortune.



program founded to provide scholarships to outstanding Texas high school graduates for attendance at public colleges and universities within the state. Established in 1986 by Houston philanthropists Howard & Nancy Terry, the Foundation has assisted thousands of Terry Scholars in

Pioneer Memorial Day Observance Monday, May 30

The Annual Pioneer Memorial Day Observance will be held Monday, May 30, at 9 a.m. at the Pioneer Cemetery, located on Highway 36 between Cross Plains and Rising Star. Everyone is invited to attend. Additional details inside the paper.



Cross Plains Be Warned

The Cross Plains Junior High Cheerleaders have received word that numerous flocks of Pink Flamingos are headed for Cross Plains this Summer. The cheerleaders are prepared to help out. For just \$10.00 a yard, we will issue you Flamingo insurance to guarantee that your yard will not be flocked. If you wish to see a friend's yard receive a flocking, we can make sure that happens for just

a \$15.00 donation. Thank you for joining us in some good spirited fun as we raise money for camp and uniforms. To purchase insurance or flock a friend please call Karri Shepard at 432-553-6807 or contact any Junior High cheerleader: Caley Box, Amber Fidler, Jordan Hampton, Kinlee Mathews, Madilyn Shepard, or Taylor Wyatt.

Senior Center to Honor Our Veterans

Cross Plains is very blessed to have so many men and women who have so selflessly given of themselves to protect our country and the freedoms we have. Please join us in saying THANK YOU as we honor these brave men and women, both past and present on Friday, May 27, 2016 at 11:45 am.

A BBQ sandwich and all the fixings will be on the menu and we invite all Veterans to come and eat without charge as a small token of our appreciation for your sacrifices. We never want to miss an opportunity to express our appreciation or to be thankful for our freedom.



The OAP Cast and Crew performed well at state. Hannah Crockett received Honorable Mention All Star Cast.

Robert E. Howard Days are still a go!

In spite of all the recent rains that have played havoc with several events and activities, the Robert E. Howard Days headquartered at the Museum and Pavilion will go on as scheduled. Tours of the museum, the postal cancellation on Friday, all the panel discussions and the Friday night silent auction and

celebration dinner will continue as noted in the ad elsewhere in this edition. And just a reminder that the \$15.00 reservations for the dinner are due by June 3 and may be made at the bank, city hall and library or mailed to Project Pride, PO Box 534 or via PayPal at projpride@yahoo.com

Barbarian Festival Cancelled; Parade and Fish Fry June 9th

The Barbarian Festival Committee is sad to announce that this year's Barbarian Festival, set for June 11th, has been cancelled. Several weeks ago, when heavy rains came, Treadway Park, where the festival is held each year, was flooded. Even though it has been two weeks, the much of the parking area at the festival grounds and rodeo arena is still under water. The ground at the park is saturated and more rain is expected in the coming weeks leading up to the festival. Never in the 18 years of the festival, has this situation happened. After exploring alternate locations and trying to come up with a plan, the only solution was to cancel the festival and the car show. The Festival Parade, scheduled for Thursday, June 9,

at 6 p.m. will go on as planned. Please come downtown for the parade and to the Cross Plains Senior Center for their Fish Fry that same evening from 5 until 7 p.m. Fish, hushpuppies, fries, beans, coleslaw and banana pudding will be served for \$8. Parade line up starts at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited to participate in the parade. If you are a Barbarian Festival sponsor, your sponsorship will be rolled over for the next year's festival, which will be held on June 10, 2017. No t-shirts or advertisements have been printed this year. If you are a Barbarian Festival Vendor and have purchased a booth at the festival, you will be receiving a refund in the mail. Thank you for all the support of the Cross Plains Community. This was a very difficult decision to make.



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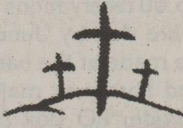
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OBITUARIES

Death Notice



SABRINA ANN HUTCHINS PRICE
Sabrina Ann Hutchins Price

Sabrina Ann Hutchins Price, age 55, of Brownwood, Texas passed away, Monday, May 23, 2016 in Cisco, Texas. Funeral Services will be Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Cross Plains, Texas. She will be laid to rest in Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains, Texas.
 Sabrina was born on August 2, 1960 in Abilene, Texas to Vondal Clayborn and Christine Hutchins.
 Sabrina is survived by her son, Zachariah Leo Hedfelt of Brownwood, Texas; parents, Vondal and Joyce Hutchins of Cisco, Texas; 5 siblings, Ronny Smith and wife, Leanne; David Hutchins and wife, Melissa; George Hutchins and wife, Jamie; Sheila Wootton and husband, Richard; Heather Appleby and husband, Darren; numerous nieces, nephews, dear family and friends.
 Sabrina was preceded in death by her mother, Christine Hutchins.


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Dennis Scott Beeler

Dennis Scott Beeler, age 53, of Cross Plains went home to be with his father on Saturday, May 21, 2016 in Cross Plains. A memorial service for Scott will be held Wednesday, May 25 at 2 PM at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel, Cross Plains, Texas. Private Interment will be at a later date.

Different location for The Market at Clyde

For June 11 only The Market at Clyde will be moved from The Old Firehouse to The Clyde Chamber of Commerce Building. The hours will be 9am-5pm. In addition to The Market at Clyde the Clyde Chamber will be holding the Clyde Expo in the same building. There will be live music on the stage inside the building by Four and More.
 The Market at Clyde is held the second Saturday of each month. It is made up of local vendors. Every product offered for sale at The Market must be handmade, handcrafted or home cooked. The variety offered by local artists, craters and artisans is amazing and varies each month. Visit the Facebook page The Market at Clyde, Texas to learn more. If you are interested in becoming a vendor email themarketatclyde@gmail.com or call 325-518-3939. There will be another article and an ad in this newspaper next week with more details on products that will be available.

The Kingdom's Door to Re-Open June 11th

The Kingdom's Door (clothes closet) is scheduled to re-open Saturday, June 11 from 9-11 a.m. If anyone has clothing you would be willing to donate, it would be greatly appreciated. We are in need of children's and baby clothes, but also can use men and women's clothing, as well as older boys and girls of all sizes. Other items also needed are Blankets, sheets, comforters, dishes, and small appliances. If you would like to help, please contact Mary Willis at 254-725-0010 ; Carolyn

Morgan at 254-725-6285 or 325-669-7960 for more information or donations may be left at First Baptist Church. This is a ministry being led by The Hope Sunday School Class, but is an outreach of the church. Kingdom's Door is located south of First Baptist, across from playground (behind Fire Station) and will be open every Saturday unless holiday weekend. It is for the whole community and surrounding areas, no eligibility requirements.

There are lots of activities going on in Burkett the 2nd weekend in June, so mark your calendar!

There are lots of activities going on in Burkett the 2nd weekend in June, so mark your calendar!
 The Burkett Homecoming and the annual Memorial Service will be held Sunday, June 12, 2016. The Homecoming will start with lunch at 12:30 at the Christian Community Center. We ask each one to bring food. Paper goods, drinks and bread will be provided. We will have

short meeting after we eat. The Memorial Service will follow at 2:30 at the Cemetery Pavilion with Jerry Biehl as our speaker.
 If you would like to attend worship services that morning we would welcome you. Baptist Church Services Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00.
 Church of Christ - Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship 10:45

Senior Citizens Center Activities

May 30th -June 3rd

Monday-30th Center Closed/
Tuesday-31st Exercise 11:00
Wednesday-1st Exercise 11:00
Thursday-2nd Exercise 11:00/Manicures Kendrick at Home of Eastland
Friday -3rd Exercise 11:00 / Bingo
 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

May 30th-June 3rd

Monday 30th- Center Closed- Memorial Day
Tuesday 31th- Chicken Tenders, Potatoes & Gravy, Lima Beans, Bread, Dessert
Wednesday 1st-Cheeseburger, Oven Fries, Fruit Cup, Cookies
Thursday 2nd - Stuffed Baked Potatoes with meat & Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert
Friday 3rd- Chili Beans, Spinach, Onion Slices, Cornbread, Dessert
 MEAL IS SERVED - 11:45 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

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Love Fund has been set up for **Darby Nichols** at Texas Heritage Bank to help with expenses

Love Fund has been set up for **Sue Neal** at Texas Heritage Bank to help with financial expenses

Love Fund for **Sherryl Goble** has been set up at Texas Heritage Bank for medical expenses

Love Fund for **Lisa Floyd** has been set up at Texas Heritage Bank for medical expenses

Love Fund for the family of **Emberlynn Harris** has been established at Texas Heritage Bank

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Callahan County Library news

From the Past
Callahan County Clarendon
Saturday October 7, 1882
Vol. 3, No 27

Attention Sheepmen
We the undersigned summon a call meeting of the Callahan Co. Wool Growers' Association, for Saturday Nov. 4th, on important business.

J. N. Alvord, T. J. Wilson, J. J. Young, F. H. Carlile, J. E. Stanley.

Local News

Blind Charley gave one of his musical concerts to a very large audience at the school-house last Thursday evening. His performance was very good, especially his comic imitations, which were very laughable. We did not think that Baird could muster up so large an audience for the school house was literally crammed.

Mrs. O. M. L. Parker is having a residence built in the Newlon Addition. She is now a permanent resident of our town.

Quite a severe rainstorm with much win and lightning was experienced here early last Monday morning. The rain fell in torrents; but it cleared off soon and the day was a very pleasant one.

The west bound passenger train is seven hours late this morning.

Cattlemen will take notice that a stockman's meeting will be held at Baird next Monday to arrange plans for riding the lines in this neighborhood this winter. A full attendance is desired.

Mr. E. S. Seay informs us that his firm bought two bales of cotton and 3000 pounds of wool this week. The wool season is nearly over while the cotton season in this section is just beginning.

Quite a number of prospectors are in town. We see some from California, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Missouri and other States in the Union. The best part of it all is that all are well pleased with Baird and Callahan county. It's not to be wondered at when they come to the best country in the world.

See the advertisement in this issue of the new blacksmith firm, Henry & Allen. They are as good smiths as can be found in any state. They mean business and are having an immense run of work, and why shouldn't they, for they warrant all their work. We tried hard to induce them to come to Baird, and now that they are here we are glad to see them so well patronized.

Capt. W. C. Powell informed us that his brother-in-law, Mr. Wm. Carmichael, with his family from Carmichael Md., and are now living at their adopted home near Baird. The family were all nearly sick with malarial fever when they came, but they are fast recovering since they began to breathe our pure fresh air. We welcome them to our healthy beautiful country.

Messrs. Parvin and Craven have both returned from Henrietta the first part of the week.

Justin Cook will arrive to-day with about 1000 head of sheep.

Project Graduation Ready for the Seniors Big Night

The Steering Committee for Project Graduation is busy with gifts, food, games, monies and etc. for our Seniors big night.

Project Graduation is an all night alcohol/tobacco free even for the Cross Plains High School Graduates and a guest of their choice.

Twenty-four Seniors will be graduating on May 27th at 7 p.m. in the Cross Plains Gymnasium.

The event is a fun-filled night of great food, prizes, games,

music, monies and great fellowship.

The group will enjoy food of their choice and games, and movies specifically chosen for them.

Thanks for all the help from our great CARING community. Without you this could not happen.

So far, we have \$1300 cash and 225 prizes to give to the seniors. Do the math. Seniors, it will be beneficial to stay the night.

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

Callahan County Court
Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Minutes

Phillip L. Lemmons, motion to dismiss to theft granted, defendant sentenced to prison on other charge.

James B. Turner, plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated, 10 days in jail, \$500 fine, \$429 court costs.

Johnny Wayne Burks, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice.

42nd District Court
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Bobby Payne and Lucille Payne vs. Jerry Fortune, real property; trespass to try title.

Tommy Lynn Porter and Robin Marcela Porter, divorce.
Lisa Michelle Wyatt and Tony Gil Wyatt, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Tammy Jo Lindley and Jerry Scott Lindley, divorce granted.

Jimmy Michael Cork and Linda Floise Cork, divorce granted.

Lawanda Holli Hopkins and Russell Lee Hopkins, divorce granted.

In re: order for foreclosure concerning, 2418 Malivar Rd., Clyde, Tx. 79510, under Tex. R. Civ. Proc. 736, Nationstar Mortgage LLC dba Champion Mortgage Co., vs. Joseph Tutt and Shelia Tutt, default order granted.

Criminal Minutes

Jennifer N. Herod, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, less than 1 gram, 2 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$359 court costs, \$180 restitution.

Hannah M. Evans, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 2 year probation, \$700 fine, \$359 court costs, \$180 restitution.

Dennis L. Beeman, plea of guilty to burglary of a building, 3 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$344 court costs.

Dennis L. Beeman, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.



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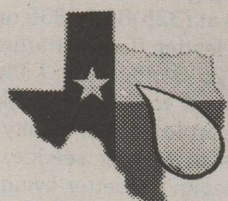
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Callahan County's jobless rate drops to 3.9% in April

The unemployment rate in Callahan County dropped four-tenths of one percent to 3.9% in April 2016, according to jobless figures released Friday, May 20th by the Texas Workforce Commission. The unemployment rate in Callahan County one year ago in April 2015 was 4.1 percent.

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 4.3% in March, 2016.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County included: 4.2% in February 2016, 4.2% in January 2016, 4.4% in December 2015, 4.4% in November, 4.3% in October, 4.2% in September 2015, 4.3% in August, 4.4% in July, 4.0% in June, and 3.9% in May 2015, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and the counties' unemployment rates for April 2016 include: Brown, 3.9%; Coleman, 6.2%; Eastland, 5.1%; Jones, 5.2%; Runnels, 3.6%; Shackelford, 4.0%; Stephens, 5.0%; and Taylor County, 3.3%.

The Abilene MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) unemployment rate, which includes Taylor, Callahan and Jones Counties, stood at 3.5% in April, 2016, according to the Texas Workforce Commission. The Abilene MSA Combined Labor Force is 76,000. There were 73,400 employed during April 2016, while 2,700 were unemployed, giving the Abilene MSA an unemployment rate of 3.5%.

The Abilene MSA reported the workforce was 75,800 in March, 2016. Total employment of 72,900 was reported in March 2016, while 2,900, or 3.8% were unemployed in March 2016.

The Abilene MSA unemployment rate for April, 2015 was 3.5%. The total workforce was reported at 75,600, with 72,900 employed and 2,700 or 3.5% unemployed in April, 2015.

The state's unemployment rate for the month of April, 2016 was 4.7 percent. The total Texas labor force was 13,257,500 in April 2016. The total number of Texans employed is 12,696,800. The total number of unemployed Texans was 560,700 in April 2016.

Last month's statewide unemployment rate was 5.1 percent in March 2016. The state's unemployment rate in April of 2015 was 5.1 percent.

The United States unemploy-

UNEMPLOYMENT

Callahan County Unemployment	Mar.	Apr.
	4.3%	3.9%

ment rate for April, 2016 was 4.7 percent. The nation's unemployment rate for the previous month of March, 2016 was 5.1%. The United States unemployment rate one year ago in April, 2015 was 5.1%.

Highlights of the Texas Labor Force (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

The Texas unemployment rate decreased by three-tenths of a percentage point in April to 4.2 percent. This was one-tenth of a percentage point higher than last year's April unemployment rate. Over the previous five years, the unemployment rate decreased by an average of four-tenths of a percentage point between March and April. The national unemployment rate decreased by four-tenths of a percentage point to 4.7 percent. The Texas unemployment rate has remained below the national unemployment rate since December 2006.

The Texas Civilian Labor Force decreased in April by 15,800 to a total of 13,257,500 people. The past three months have shown a total increase in the labor force of 144,000 people. Over the year, the Texas labor force has increased by 203,400 people.

The number of employed Texans increased by 14,500 over the month to a total of 12,696,800 people. Over the previous five years, the number of employed Texans increased by an average of 61,940 people in the month of April. The number of jobholders has increased by 172,000 over the year.

The number of unemployed Texans decreased in April by 30,300 to a total of 560,700 people. Over the previous five years, the number of unemployed people decreased by an average of 46,360 in the month of April. Since April of last year, the number of unemployed people has increased by 31,300 individuals.

Between March and April, the unemployment rate decreased in

21 of the 25 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in Texas. The rate in the Texarkana MSA had the largest decrease, dropping five-tenths of a percentage point to 3.8 percent. The Amarillo MSA continued to have the lowest unemployment rate at 2.7 percent.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE STATE

Italian Firm Commits to Brownsville Project

BROWNSVILLE, TX (Brownsville Herald)—Steve Clark—After years of going by the code name "Project Sizzle," the veil has finally been lifted on a major industrial investment coming to Brownsville. The Brownsville Economic Development Council, along with Assistant Secretary of Commerce Arun Kumar, announced the imminent arrival of SATA USA, part of Italian firm SATA Group.

The company is a top supplier of machined parts to Caterpillar, John Deere and many of the world's auto manufacturers. SATA USA will invest \$400 million in the project that will officials say create 300 high-paying jobs during the construction phase and as many as 4,000 long term jobs as the industrial complex expands. "In the long term, the SATA development will be the anchor for the North Brownsville Heavy Manufacturing Campus, which will become a major economic pillar for South Texas," said Jason Hilts, President and CEO of the Brownsville Economic Development Council.

Japanese Company to Open Giant Plant in Houston Area

PASADENA, TX (Houston Business Journal)—Kuraray America Inc. has opened its Poval plant in Pasadena. The plant will produce 40,000 metric tons of polyvinyl alcohol annually. Kuraray will employ 94 people at the plant—54 Kuraray employees and 40 contract personnel. The greenfield Kuraray Poval, located on 81 acres in Pasadena will produce polyvinyl alcohol, also known as PVOH, which is used to make products such as paper, textiles, emulsion, PVC, adhesives,

packaging and oil. Kuraray America is the U.S. branch of the Tokyo-based Kuraray Company, Ltd. The company first broke ground in April 2013.

Amazon Opening Second Center in Fort Worth

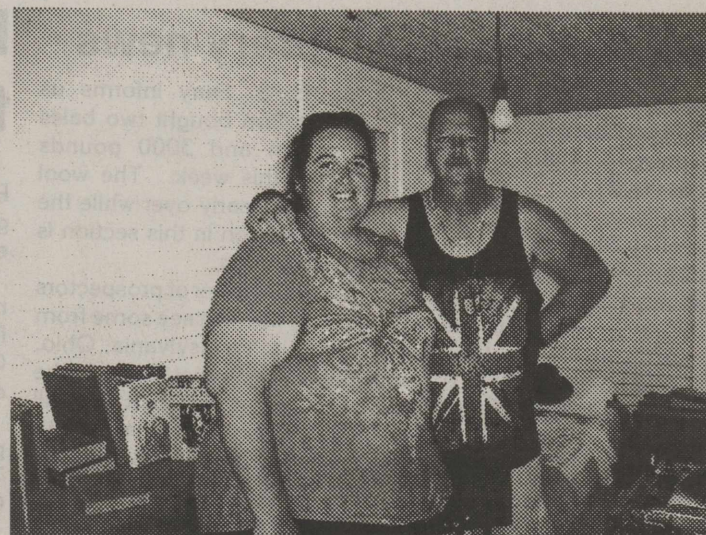
FORT WORTH, TX (Dallas Business Journal)—E-commerce retailer Amazon announced it will create 1,000 full-time jobs in North Texas with a new fulfillment center planned for Fort Worth. The one-million-square-foot facility is expected to be built in north Fort Worth and is Texas' sixth Amazon fulfillment center.

"We are excited to add another fulfillment center to the Dallas-Fort Worth region and to create additional full-time jobs with great pay and benefits," said Akash Chauhan, Amazon's vice president of North American operations. The new Fort Worth center will ship small customer items like books, electronics and toys. Amazon currently employs 8,000 full-time hourly workers at fulfillment centers located in Haslet, Coppell, southern Dallas, and Schertz.

Another facility is under construction in San Marcos.

Time Manufacturing Expands

WACO, TX (Waco Chamber of Commerce)—Time Manufacturing, headquartered in Waco, plans to expand its truck-mounted hydraulic lift manufacturing operations in Waco. Time will invest \$5.8 million to expand its facilities by 50,000-square-foot facility and add 121 jobs during the next four years. The factory manufactures a total of 3,500 to 4,000 units a year. The lifts are sold at dealerships throughout the U.S. and in Europe, Latin America and parts of Asia. "Time Manufacturing Company is a well-managed manufacturer that has continuously and consistently exhibited vigorous sales growth over the last ten years due to its continued innovation, quality product and a very dedicated, well trained and skilled workforce," said McLennan County Judge Scott Felton.

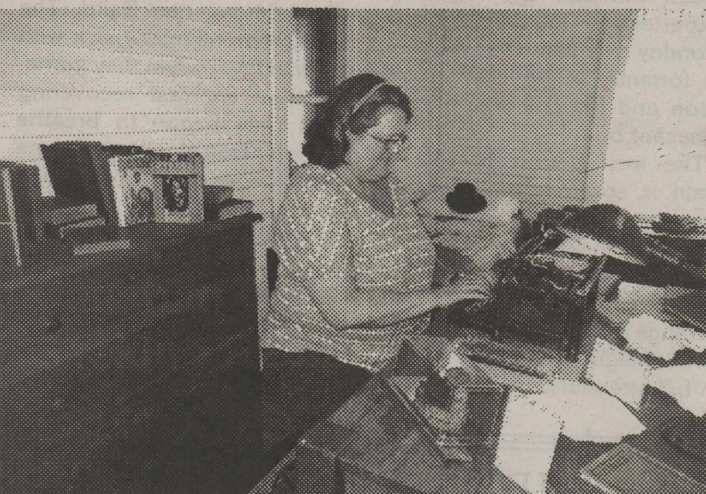


Baird couple visit Museum

Celebrating his retirement from the Air Force, Paul and Tiffany Holdway of Baird came over to visit the REH Museum. He has long been interested in Howard's writings, especially the fantasy and western stories. Like so many visitors to the Museum, he was impressed at Howard's creative imagination without the benefit of any formal training in writing and virtually no local resources to utilize.

Paul grew up in the Chicago area and served in the Air Force for 25 years before retiring. The two were married while he was stationed at Dyess AF Base in Abilene. Tiffany is the food service director for the Baird ISD and will coordinate the summer lunch program at the school.

Although Holdway has not decided on a second career yet, they will most likely stay in this area.



Houseguest visits REH Museum

Katy Sterling from Fredonia, AZ was in the area recently visiting her parents, the Jernigans on their ranch west of town. A fan of Robert E. Howard's writings, she was delighted when the folks at the Library were able to make arrangements for an on-the-spot tour of the local museum. She works at a call center for the Zion's Bank where she thoroughly enjoys helping folks with their on-line banking issues. Fredonia has an interesting

location indeed; being at the very northwestern tip of AZ, it is considered the gateway to the north rim of the Grand Canyon and close to several state and national parks, national monuments and has been the filming locations for numerous western movies. Perhaps more interesting is the mixture of time zones and daylight savings time that makes for creative scheduling between their jobs and home life.

Deadline looms closer for REH dinner reservations

The Robert E. Howard Days are just around the corner and reservations for the celebration dinner are due by June 3 in ensure a seat at the Friday, June 10 event in the Community Center. The Staghorn will once again be catering the dinner with their big chicken fried steaks and all the trimmings that our guests have come to love.

The Center will be open at 5:30 for the silent auction that benefits Project Pride for the upkeep of the Robert E. Howard Museum. Several unique items have already shown up for the auction, including a copy of the shooting draft for the movie, "The Whole Wide World." After the dust of the bidding war has settled, the proud owner will be able to get it autographed by none other than the screen writer for the movie; Michael Scott Myers.

Myers will be the guest of honor for the two day event and as such, will deliver the keynote address at the dinner. As he was a personal friend of Novalyne Price who wrote the book, The One Who Walked Alone about her friendship with Howard, he has entitled his speech, "From Memoir to Screen."

The dinner will start at 6:30 and s eating is limited, so folks are encouraged to make reservations ASAP. Sign-up sheets are available at the Library, the Texas Heritage Bank and the City Hall. The \$15.00 payments may be made to Project Pride and mailed to PO Box 534, left with the sign-up sheets or sent via PayPal at ProjPride@yahoo.com

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

Callahan County 4H Seeking Recipes for Cookbook

Cross Plains 4H is reminding members that we are looking for your favorite recipes for the Callahan County 4H cookbook. We are turning in the recipes on June 1st, so you still have time to call Gramma for that special cake recipe, or Dad for his secret marinade. For those businesses who haven't heard the news; advertising space is still available. You can have a ¼ page (2 1/8" x 3 5/8") for \$20, a ½ page (4 1/2" x 3 5/8") for \$30, for a full page (4 1/2" x 7 1/2") for \$50. This is not only a great way to help the club, the cookbook is for all of Callahan County, not to mention the books sold to friends and family in the nearby counties. Don't have a business? Still want to support the club? You can use the add space for showing your support for the club or your favorite member. "Gramma Bell and Grampa John support Leslie in her 4H projects. We love you!" For more information, feel free to contact a member and/or our

leader Terrie Parum I know we said that May was our last meeting... we were wrong. June 6th we will be electing officers so they can be submitted in July. As always, we will be meeting at the First Baptist church, at 6pm.

Just a reminder Rada Cutlery can still be purchased in time for Mother's Day. Items ship within 2-3 days. Go to: www.helpoufundraiser.com, Internet ordering #505896, password(lower case) callahan. Then got to Browse All Categories. Remember, with items shipping within 2-3 days, it's a great way to get or send gifts to friends.

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Pioneer Memorial Day Observance to be Held on Monday, May 30th

The annual Pioneer Memorial Day Observance will be held Monday, May 30, 2016 at the Pioneer Cemetery, located on Highway 36 between Cross Plains and Rising Star. The ceremony will begin at 9:00 AM under the Pioneer Veterans Memorial Pavilion, located near the flag pole and War Memorial. The public is invited to attend and honor those veterans who have served our country, both historically and currently. Immediately following the ceremony, please join us for fellowship and refreshments.

Our keynote speakers are two men with very strong ties to our community: James Dixon and Bobby J. McCowen.

James Dixon was born and raised in Ranger, Texas. He graduated from Ranger High School in 1970 before entering West Point with a nomination from Congressman Omar Burleson. Mr. Dixon obtained degrees in Engineering and Military Science from West Point in 1974. He was commissioned in the U.S. Army Field Artillery Branch and completed his Field Artillery Officer Basic Course in Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Mr. Dixon was then stationed in Hanau, Germany, with an 8 inch M110 Self-Propelled Howitzer artillery battalion. During his stay in Germany, he flew back to America and married his fiancé, Melinda, in September 1975. After three years in Germany, the Dixons relocated to Fort Sill, to attend the Field

Artillery Advance Course and was assigned as an instructor at Fort Sill from August 1978 to November 1979.

Mr. Dixon resigned his U.S. Army commission in 1979 for an engineering position at TXU Mining, where he spent the next 18 years working in various positions within the Company. In 1997, Mr. Dixon was transferred to the TXU offices in Dallas, Texas, where he served as Vice President, Gas Plant Operations, prior to his retirement in 2007.

James and Melinda Dixon relocated to the Pioneer/Cross Plains Community in 2007, and have been enjoying retirement on their farm raising Longhorn cattle and whitetail deer. James and Melinda are members of the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains, Texas. They have two children: Bryan and his wife Courtney and Allyson and her fiancé, Tony Battaglia. Mr. Dixon is very passionate about our local veterans, calling many of them his dear friends.

Bobby J. McCowen was born and raised in Pioneer, Texas. Mr. McCowen enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1949. He completed basic training at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas and was part of B Company, 66 Medium Tank Battalion at Fort Hood, Texas. A Korean War Veteran, Mr. McCowen was promoted to Staff Sergeant during his nine-month tour of duty. Following Korea, Bob was released into the Army Reserves in 1952.

Mr. McCowen held numerous positions before and after his service to his country. He worked in the oilfield and as a miner in the potash mines in Carlsbad, New Mexico and was also a skilled mechanic. In 1965, Mr. McCowen began his career in law enforcement, first as a patrolman, then as an identification officer with the Abilene Police Department. After six-and-a-half years with the Abilene Police Department, he moved back to the Pioneer area and managed the lumberyard at Higginbotham Brothers for 18 years. In 1983, he opened Mc's Trading Post in Cross Plains as owner/operator until 2012.

Mr. McCowen is the father of three children: the late Beth McCowen Bogue, Ronald Jack McCowen and Tina McCowen Elkins. He is blessed with four grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Mr. McCowen, or "Bobby Jack" as he's known by many, serves in ministry at the Pioneer Pentecostal Church and is a member of the Pioneer Historical Association Board. He continues to serve his community by volunteering his musical gifts at the Rising Star Nursing Home each week.

Please join us in honoring the servicemen and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation. For more information, or if you have questions about the event, please call 830-624-6939.

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Former Governor & U.S. Senator Charles Culberson Profiled

Charles Culberson was part of an influential Texas political family. He would lead a notable career in his own right, serving two terms as governor and three terms in the U. S. Senate.

Charles Allen Culberson was born in June 1855 in eastern Alabama. Shortly after he was born, his ambitious father, David B. Culberson, moved the family to Texas and set up a law firm in Upshur County and was a state legislator by 1858 and later a United States Congressman from 1875 to 1897.

Culberson graduated from the prestigious Virginia Military Institute in 1874 and earned a law degree from the University of Virginia in 1877. He served as an attorney in Jefferson in East Texas for several years before moving to Dallas in 1887.

In 1890, Culberson made his first run for political office, announcing his candidacy for attorney general. His father's influence as a congressman helped Culberson gain the political traction he needed. As a result, Culberson won the election handily.

Like his predecessor, Jim Hogg, who had since risen to become governor, Culberson attacked the corruption in the railroad industry and the price-fixing practices many railroads used to hurt farmers shipping their crops to market. His popularity by 1894 propelled him to the governorship as well.

As governor, Culberson enacted a number of reforms, just as Hogg had done in the previous four years. He signed laws aimed at combatting monopolies in the state, made modest changes in the judicial system and gave new powers to the recently formed Railroad Commission in their efforts to regulate railroad practices.

Just as Culberson's second term as governor was ending in 1899, the new state legislature voted to make him the new U. S. Senator from Texas.

He became an influential member of the Senate. He ultimately served as chairman of four different committees in his twenty-four year Senate career. Additionally, for two years starting in 1907, he headed the Senate Democratic caucus.

For six years, Culberson served as chairman of the powerful

Senate Judiciary Committee, which oversaw the Senate's considerations of presidential nominations for federal judges. His committee approved four nominees to the Supreme Court for consideration by the full Senate, including Attorney General James McReynolds in 1914 and Louis Brandeis, the first Jew to serve on the Supreme Court, in the divisive 1916 election year.

That year, Culberson himself faced re-election to the Senate and had to face the voters directly instead of the election held in the state legislature, thanks to 1913 ratification of the Seventeenth Amendment he had supported. Culberson won easily, as he had in most elections so far.

Democrats lost control of the Senate in the 1920 election, Culberson still was able to chair a committee, given his seniority and respect among his fellow Senators. He chaired the Committee on Private Land Claims, a small committee devoted to settling land disputes on property bought from the federal government.

Culberson was disgusted by the

tactics, corruption, and violence of the Ku Klux Klan, which was rising quickly throughout the nation in the years following World War I. He spoke out against the KKK on several occasions, but Culberson's political influence was gradually receding.

Culberson's alcoholism continued to take its toll on him. His health declined, and he neglected many duties to his constituents in Texas, which became even more important as the Senate was now elected by the general public rather than state legislators. In 1922, he faced re-election but was unable to campaign. The KKK threw everything it had into Railroad Commissioner Earle B. Mayfield, who managed to oust the four-term Senator.

After Culberson's term ended in January 1923, he stayed in Washington, DC, in general seclusion during his retirement. He died in 1925.

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

Oplin's 20th Annual Memorial Day Services

Everyone is invited to Oplin's 20th Annual Memorial Day Services. Services will begin at 9:00 a.m. on May 30th at the Oplin Cemetery which is located about 1/4 mile east of F.M. 604 S. on F.M. 2926 (just down from the community center).

Clyde Boy Scout Troop 223 will be on hand to present colors and the Texas National Guard

will present arms during our services.

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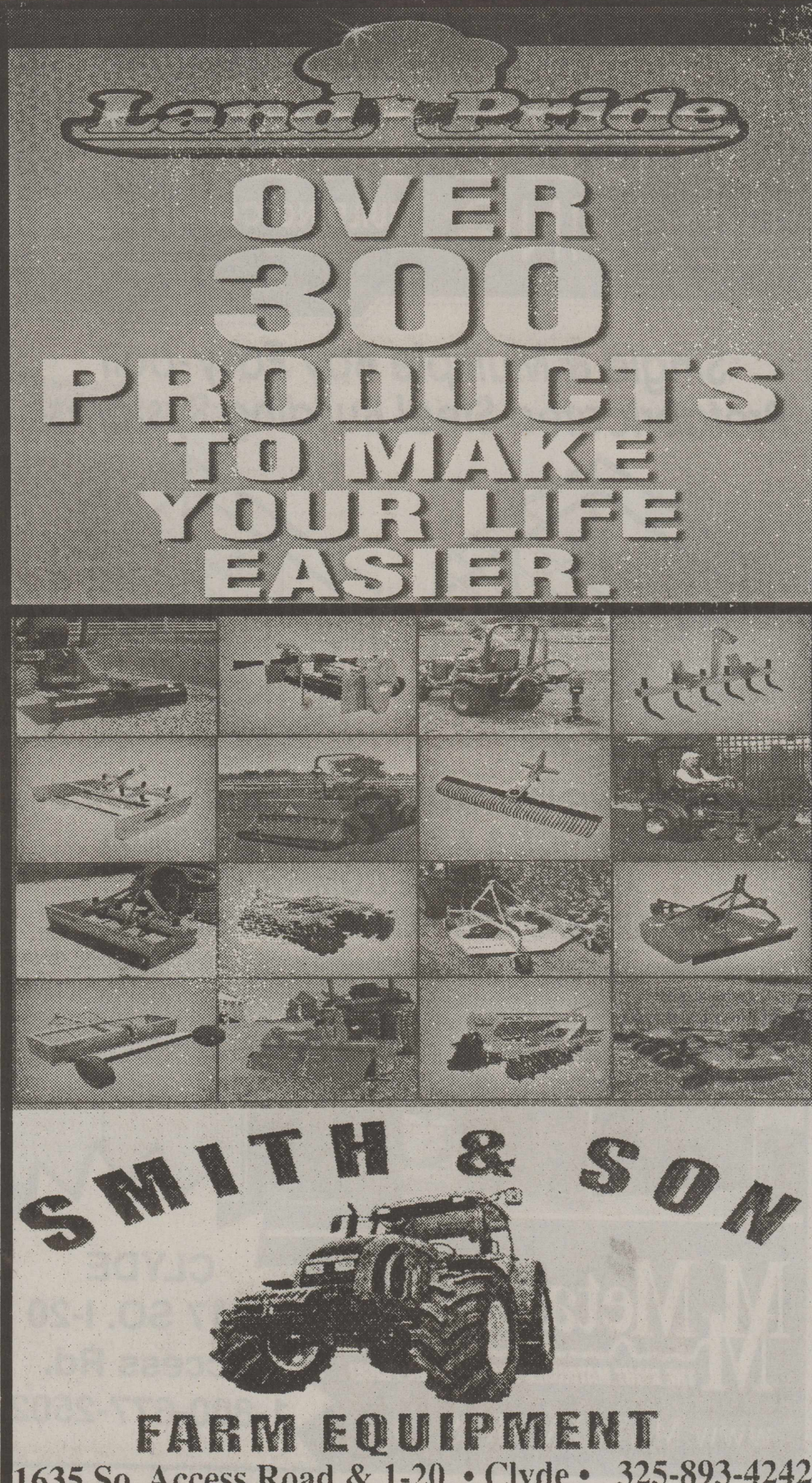
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Persons with special needs should contact City Hall at least 4 hours prior to the meeting at 254-725-6114.

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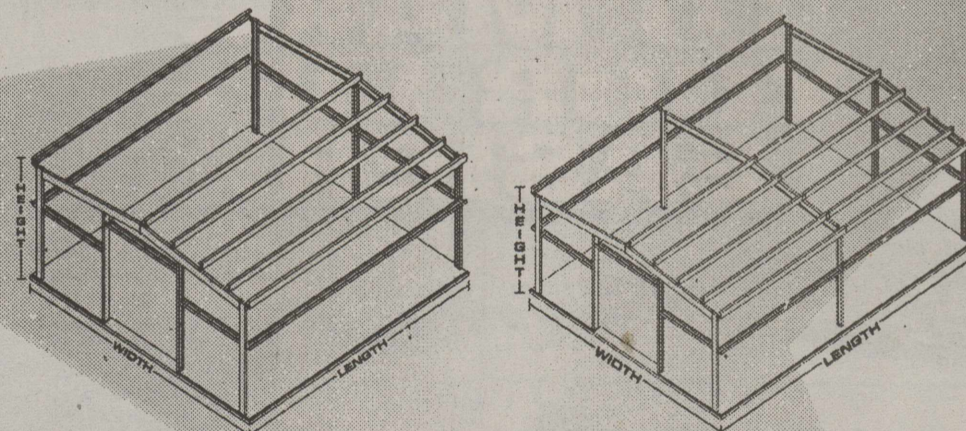
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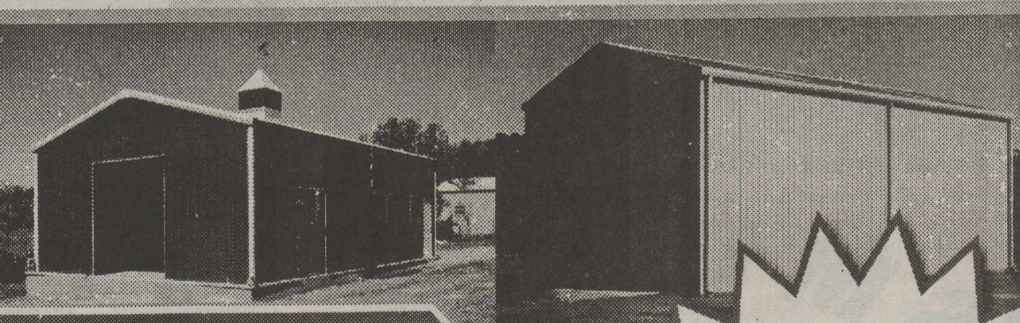
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- 100 ACRES** — Exceptional property at Lake Leon with 3 BR-2 BA...**\$995,000**
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- 9955 FM 1079-Charming older 3BR-2B hm,needs TLC,bam,well**.....**\$49,000**
- NEW! 520 Pine, Ranger-3BR/1.75B, C/H/A, hrdwood floors living room**...**\$49,000**
- 210 S Miller St, RS-2BR-1B, 1319 Sq Ft, 2 lots, shop, 2 wells**Reduced...**\$47,500**
- 1412 Bliss, Cisco-Potential income prop! 3BR-2B, lg backyard**.....**\$49,900**
- 708 E 1st St, CP-3BR-1.5B, w/metal roof, garden, mature trees**.....**\$64,900**
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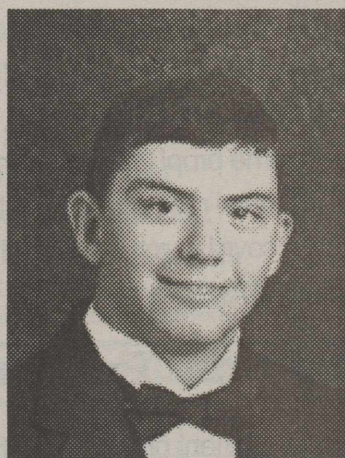
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Darrin Slade Ames

Son of Tommy and Donna Ames.
Extracurricular Activities: 1 year Basketball, 3 years Key Club, 4 years Ag, 3 years Helping Hearts and Hands, Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Dept. Senior year, CPVFD fish fry Senior year
Special Awards and Honors: Top Prize for Ag sales Freshman year, Class favorite 7th grade, Stock Show 4 years-Placed 1st, 2nd, Breed Reserve Champion.
Future Plans: I plan to work on the family ranch and oil company. And attend TSTC EMT program to move onto Cisco Fire Academy.



Colton Lynn Bradley

Son of Rodney and Tina Bradley.
Extracurricular Activities: 3 years Basketball, 1 year Football, 1 year Powerlifting, 3 years Track, 1 Year Annual Staff, 1 year FCA, 4 years FFA, 2 years NHS, 2 years Student Council.
Special Awards and Honors: Class favorite all 4 years of High School, Regional Qualifier in Mile Relay, area Qualifier in Discus, Class Treasurer, Defensive MVP Baseball
Future Plans: I plan to further my career in Insurance adjusting.

Rebekah Crockett Salutatorian



Rebekah Jane Crockett

Daughter of Davy and Kim Crockett
Extracurricular Activities: 4 years Basketball, 3 years Powerlifting, 4 years Softball, 2 years Track, 2 years FCCLA, 3 years Annual Staff, 4 years FCA, 4 years Key Club, 4 Years NHS, 3 years Student Council, 4 years UIL in Spelling, Computer Applications, Calculators, Number Sense, Feature Writing
Special Awards and Honors: 9th grade - Top 10% of class, National Honor Society, Student Council secretary, Key Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Church youth leader, Cross Plains Lady Buffs Softball starting pitcher, Leadership Class for Freshmen, UIL participant in Computer Applications, UIL District Champion, Most Outstanding in Biology, "A" honor roll all year, ACU High School Scholar Participant, Class Favorite, Powerlifting Manager, District 9A Defensive Most Valuable Player in Softball, CPHS Newcomer of the Year in Softball, Texas Teenage Softball Association 3rd place tournament team winner, High School Eligible Softball Team State Champion, District and Area Qualifier in Track, Hustle Award at Hardin Simmons University Basketball Camp, Varsity Basketball, Member of Brownwood Lions and Early Slammers Travel softball teams

10th grade - Top 10% of class, President of class, National Honor Society, Key Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Church youth leader, Yearbook staff photographer, Nominated/Chosen and attended the Texas Farm Bureau Leadership Conference, Cross Plains Lady Buffs Softball starting pitcher, music and singing leader of VBS at First Baptist Church, UIL participant in Computer Applications and Mathematics, UIL District Champions, National Honor Society Top Fundraiser, Most Outstanding in World History, Algebra 2, English, Chemistry, and Accounting, Cross Plains Library Writing Competition 3rd place winner in Creative Writing, "A" Honor Roll all year, Senior Citizen Center Volunteer, District and Area Champion in Basketball, CPHS Most Valuable Player in Softball, District 9A First Team All District in Softball, volunteered as a referee at pee wee basketball games, volunteered at Cooks Children's Hospital Feeding Families Program

11th grade - Top 10% of class, President of class, National Honor Society, Family and Career and Community Leadership of America secretary, Student Council treasurer, Key Club Chaplain, Yearbook Staff Photographer, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Church youth leader and singing leader at VBS at First Baptist Church, Cross Plains Lady Buffs Softball starting pitcher and shortstop, UIL participant in Computer Applications and Spelling, UIL Regional Qualifier in Computer Applications, UIL Team/Champion for District, Regional and State, Track Sprint Relay team member/winner of District, Area and Regional, Alternate for Sprint Relay at State Track Meet, District and Area Champion in Basketball, Regional Quarterfinals Qualifier in Basketball, District 15A Honorable Mention in Basketball, District 15A All District Academic in Basketball, District 9A First Team All District in Softball, CPHS Most Valuable Player in Softball, Most Outstanding in Physics, Pre-Calculus and

English, Cross Plains Public Library Writing Contest 1st place winner in Creative Writing for class, Cross Plains Public Library Contest 2nd place overall winner for Creative Writing, Family and Career and Community Leadership of America Fall Leadership Silver Medalist, 5th place in Powerlifting meet in Meiron County, 1st place in Powerlifting meeting in Clyde, Texas, 2nd place in Powerlifting meet in Comanche, Texas, 2nd place in Powerlifting meet in Dublin, Texas, 4th place in Powerlifting in Stephenville, Texas, Region 1 Division 3 Regional Qualifier in Powerlifting, 5th place in Regional Powerlifting Meet, participated in Basketball that helped contribute to the Lone Star Cup Winner for Cross Plains ISD 2015, member of Guatemala Mission Team 2015 at First Baptist Church, summer volunteer at Senior Citizen's Center

12th grade - Top 10% of class, 2nd ranked in class, President of class, Vice President of National Honor Society, Vice President of Key Club, Vice President of Student Council, Organized fund raiser for Cross Plains Cancer Walk, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Church youth leader, Yearbook staff photographer, member of Guatemala Mission Team 2016 at First Baptist Church, 2015 Football Sweetheart Nominee, Varsity Basketball, 2016 First Team All District in Basketball, 2016 All District Academic in Basketball, 2016 All Tournament Player in Coleman Basketball Tournament, 2016 Fellowship of Christian Athletes All Star Athlete in Softball, Varsity Softball starting pitcher, Varsity Powerlifting 5th in Region, 1st Team All State All-Academic in THSWPA Powerlifting, 1st place in Powerlifting in Dublin, 2nd place in Powerlifting in Comanche, 3rd place in Powerlifting in Irion County, 2nd place in Powerlifting at Abilene High, 1st place in Powerlifting in Ranger, volunteer in church nursery, student helper in pre-kindergarten class, 2016

**District UIL Participant 3rd place in Computer Applications and 2nd place in Feature Writing, 2016 UIL Academic Regional Qualifier in Computer Applications and Feature Writing, Senior Personalities: Most Friendliest, Best Smile, Best Personality
Future Plans: Attend Abilene Christian University and major in Education to become an Elementary Teacher.**

Teagan Fortune Valedictorian



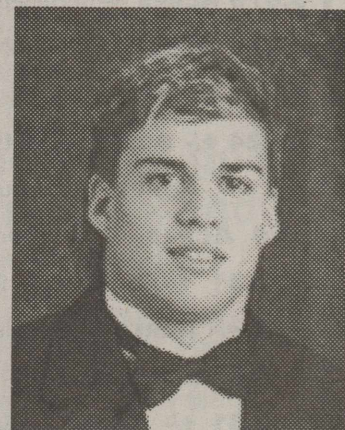
Teagan Bailey Fortune

Daughter of Heather Fortune and Bill Steele, and Trey Fortune.

Extracurricular Activities: 4 years Basketball, 2 years Cross Country, 1 year Powerlifting, 2 years Softball, 3 years Track, 3 years Cheerleading, 2 years Annual Staff, 4 years FCA, 3 years Key Club, 4 years NHS, 4 years Student Council, 4 years UIL in News Writing, Editorial Writing, Ready Writing, Headline Writing.

Special Awards and Honors: Top 10% of class for four years, National Honor Society President, Class Officer (Secretary), Academic All District, Academic Elite Team (Powerlifting).

Future Plans: I plan to attend Sam Houston State University in the fall of 2016 and plan to obtain a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice. I hope to become a Forensic Psychologist.



Dalton Montana Gilliam

Son of Shawna and Michael Tollett.

Extracurricular Activities: 4 years Baseball, 4 years Football, 4 years Powerlifting, 4 years Track.

Special Awards and Honors: 1st Team All District Defensive End, All-Big Country Honorable Mention, 2nd Team Alternate Tackle.

Future Plans: I plan to go to college ad get a business degree and own my own gym and be a personal trainer.



Ethan Kenneth Horan

Son of Kenny Horan and Jennifer Spencer.

Extracurricular Activities: 2 years FFCLA, 1 year Key Club.

Future Plans: I plan on attending Fort Worth Beauty



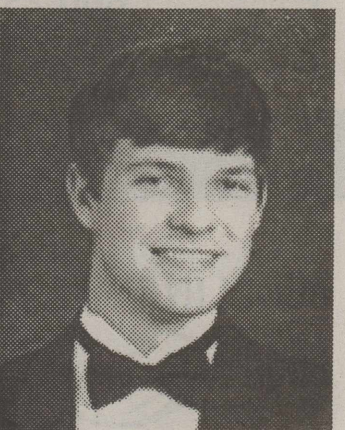
Zachary Eugene Gartman

Son of Douglas Gartman and Delores Gartman.

Extracurricular Activities: 4 years Football, 4 years Powerlifting, 1 year Track; 4 years Band, 2 years UIL in Computer Science.

Special Awards and Honors: Went to State for Band in Junior Year in solos/ensembles; Personalities - 2 time Most Unique.

Future Plans: To attend ACU and graduate as a DET Major and then to into the video game designing field for a career.



Brayden Todd Kennedy

Son of Todd and Teresa Kennedy.

Extracurricular Activities: 4 years Baseball, 4 years Football, 4 years Track, 4 years FFA, Class Officer - Reporter.

Special Awards and Honors: 1st Team All-District O-line - Jr & Sr years, Best Blocker Award - Jr. year, 2nd Team Defensive End - Jr. & Sr. years, 2nd Team O-line - Jr. year; Barnard Sibley Award - Soph. year, Grand Champion Fryer - Fresh. year, Reserve Grand Champion Fryer - Sr. year, Football Beau Nominee - Jr. year; Football Beau - Sr. year, Prom King. Personalities: Mr. C.P.H.S., Most Handsome, Best Personality, Friendliest, Most Outgoing, Most Spirited, Best Hair, Best Smile

Future Plans: I plan to attend Cisco College for two years and then transfer to Hardin-Simmons University.

Class Moto

"They hate us because they ain't us."
 Coach Purvis

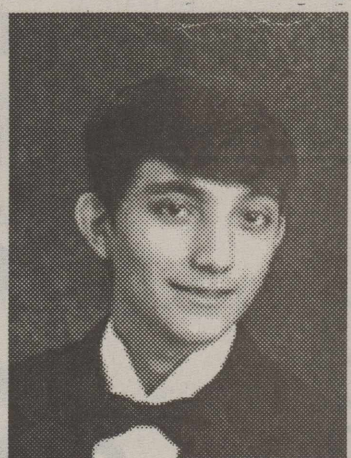


Kelli Sue Bennett

Daughter of Debi Bennett and Bryan Bennett.
Extracurricular Activities: 4 years Basketball, 2 years Cross Country, 2 years Softball, 2 years Track, 2 years Cheerleading, 2 years Annual Staff, 4 years FCA, 4 years FFA, 3 years Key Club, 3 years OAP, 1 year NHS, 3 years Student Council, 4 years UIL in Prose Speaking.
Special Awards and Honors: Class favorite Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior year Home Coming Queen 2015, Class President Freshman, Sophomore year, Class Vice President Junior, Senior year, Football Sweetheart 2015, NHS Secretary, FFA Sentinel.
Future Plans: Attend Texas State University and Study psychology. After college I hope to become a children's psychologist.

Officers

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 Vice President
 Teagan Fortune
 Secretary
 Colton Bradley
 Treasurer
 Brayden Kennedy
 Reporter



Lorenzo Antonio Bustamante

Son of Amanda Vasquez and Fili Vasquez.
Extracurricular Activities: 1 year Cross Country, 1 year Football, 1 year Powerlifting, 1 year Track.
Special Awards and Honors: Regional Qualifier in Powerlifting
Future Plans: I want to study Kinesiology and become a Personal Trainer.

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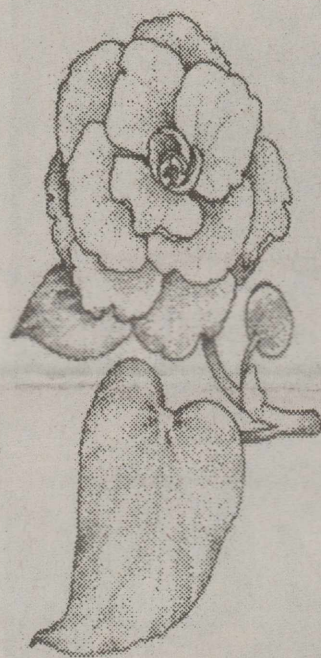
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James Preston Marrow

Son of James and Cindy Marrow
Future Plans: Go to college and pursue a career in Criminal Justice.



Flower White Begonias



Shelby Jean McWilliams

Daughter of John Fred and Melody McWilliams
Extracurricular Activities: 4 years Basketball, 4 years Cross Country, 4 years Track, 4 years Cheerleading, 3 years FCA, 4 years FFA, 3 years Key Club, 1 Year NHS.
Special Awards and Honors: 2 years State Champion teams, 2nd place at State Cross Country Meet, FCA Best of the Big Country, Abilene Reporter News Player of the Week, TGCA All-State Academic, District Basketball All Academic.
Future Plans: I plan on attending McMurry University to run Cross Country and Track.

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Evelyn Guerrero Morales

Daughter of Angelia Guerrero and Lupe Vasquez.
Extracurricular Activities: 2 years Powerlifting, 2 years Softball, 1 year FCCLA, 1 year Annual Staff, 2 years Band, 2 years Key Club.
Special Awards and Honors: Went to State in Powerlifting - Soph. year.
Future Plans: I plan to attend Ranger College to become a nurse to better my life and my daughter's future.



Billie Jane Pointer

Daughter of Tani Pointer and Jed Pointer.
Extracurricular Activities: 4 years Basketball Manager, 2 Cross Country, 4 Softball, 4 years Band, 4 years FCA, 1 year OAP.
Future Plans: I plan on attending Ranger College in the fall for Nursing.



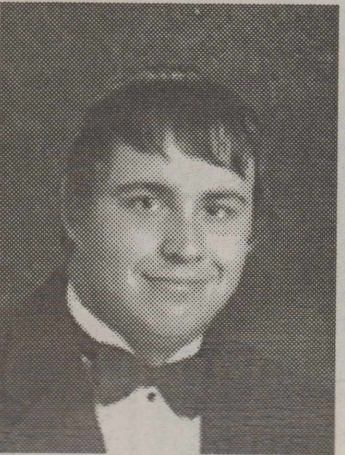
Kaitlyn Dawn Potter

Daughter of Kara and Portious Potter.
Extracurricular Activities: 2 years Cross Country, 4 years Powerlifting, 1 year Softball, 4 years Track, 2 years Cheerleading, 1 year Annual Staff, 1 year Band, 4 years FCA, 4 years FFA, 4 years Key Club, 1 year Student Council.
Special Awards and Honors: Freshman, Junior and Senior year, I completed in Regionals in Powerlifting. In my Senior year, I went to State and set a State Record in squat with a 425 lb. squat. I ended up with a bronze medal. My Senior year, I played Varsity Basketball and made it to the first round of playoffs. In my Junior Year, I received my Lonestar Degree in FFA. In my Freshman year, I received the Star Greenhand award.
Future Plans: I plan on attending Dallas Baptist University and double majoring in Christian Studies and Psychology.



Inez Ponce Salazar

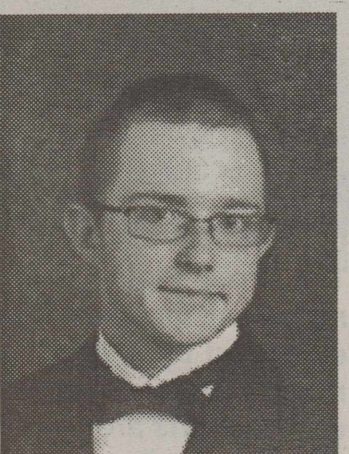
Daughter of Maria and Ruben Salazar.
Extracurricular Activities: 3 years Basketball, 2 years Cross Country, 3 years Powerlifting, 3 years Track, 2 years FCCLA, 1 year Annual Staff, 3 years FCA, 3 years Key Club, 1 year Student Council.
Future Plans: I plan on attending Cisco College 2 years to do my basics, then transfer to Tarleton and major in Nursing.



Phoenix Quinn Sanders

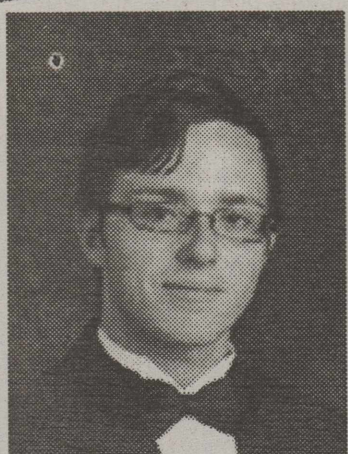
Son of Sunday and Owen Sanders.
Extracurricular Activities: 1 year Baseball, 4 years Basketball, 4 years Football, 1 year Powerlifting, 3 years Track, 1 year NHS, 4 years UIL in Number Sense, Computer Science and Science.

Future Plans: I plan to go to Cisco College and take my basics and then transfer to Tech for Engineering.



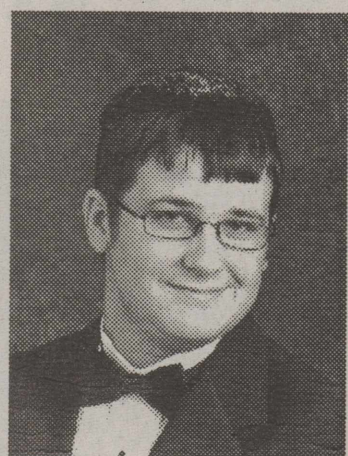
Chance Edwin Thompson

Son of Brenda and Charles Spraggins.
Extracurricular Activities: 2 years Football, 1 year Powerlifting, 2 years Track, 4 years Band, 3 years FFA, 1 year OAP.
Future Plans: Air Force Construction



Charles Earl Thompson

Son of Brenda and Charles Spraggins.
Extracurricular Activities: 1 Year Basketball, 3 years Cross Country, 3 years Football, 1 year Powerlifting, 3 years Track, 4 years Band, 3 years FFA.
Future Plans: Undecided.



Zachery Scott Thompson

Son of Robert and Stephanie Thompson
Extracurricular Activities: 1 year Baseball, 4 years Football, 3 years Powerlifting, 3 years Track, 4 years FFA.

Future Plans: I plan to attend Cisco College and get a Welding Certificate then go to work as a welder.



Shyler Spur Tillery

Daughter of Connie Stout and Granddaughter of Betty Weiss.
Extracurricular Activities: 1 year Softball, 4 years FCCLA, 3 years Band, 1 year FCA, 4 years FFA, 2 years Key Club.

Special Awards and Honors: 2013-14, FCCLA State Qualifier, 2014-15 FCCLA State Champion, 2014-15 FCCLA National Champion, 2015-16 FCCLA Region II Vice President of Competitive Events, 2015-16 FCCLA State Executive Council, FFA Greenhand, Chapter and Lone Star Degree, \$60,000 Heart of Texas Scholarship Recipient.
Future Plans: I plan to attend Howard Payne University to major in Elementary Education.



Kristi Elizabeth Ward

Daughter of John and Jan Ward.
Extracurricular Activities: 4 years Volleyball, 3 years Basketball, 2 Cross Country, 1 year Football, 1 year Golf, 4 years Powerlifting, 4 years Softball, 4 years Track, 2 years Cheerleading, 1 year FCCLA, 1 year Annual Staff, 4 years FCA, 1 year OAP.

Special Awards and Honors: FCCLA President, Powerlifting Regional Qualifier, Cross Country Regional Qualifier, Lion Heart Award, Miss Mustang Award, Defensive MVP, All-District Honorable Mention, FCA President, State Qualifier in FCCLA.

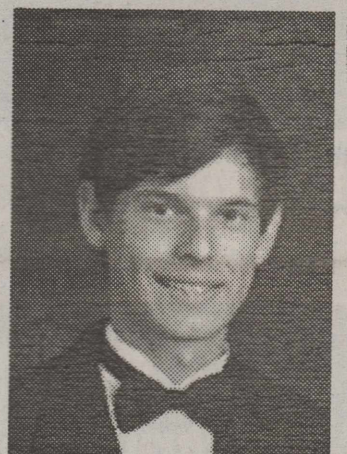
Future Plans: Getting my degree in Christian Ministries and Evangelism from Liberty University and pursuing a career in singing and evangelism.



Seth Austin Wyatt

Son of Karman Wyatt and Scott Wyatt
Extracurricular Activities: 2 years Baseball, 2 years Basketball, 4 years Cross Country, 4 years Track, 4 years FFA, 2 years Key Club, 1 year OAP, 2 years UIL in Science.

Future Plans: I plan on attending Angelo State University in the fall of 2016, where I would plan to achieve my Bachelors in Science, then move on to Dental School. Eventually I would work to become an Orthodontist.



Billy Ross Woodard

Son of Erik and Christine Woodard.

Extracurricular Activities: 3 years Baseball, 2 years Cross Country, 1 year Football, 1 year Powerlifting, 4 years Track, 4 years Band, 1 year OAP, 1 year NHS, 4 years UIL in Current Issues and Events and Accounting.

Special Awards and Honors: 2nd place team OAP at State Competition 2015, 4th place team C.I.S.E. at State Competition 2015, State Qualifier in Solo and Ensemble Competition 2016.

Future Plans: Double major in Finance and Marketing at Angelo State University.

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One Act Play Send Off to State



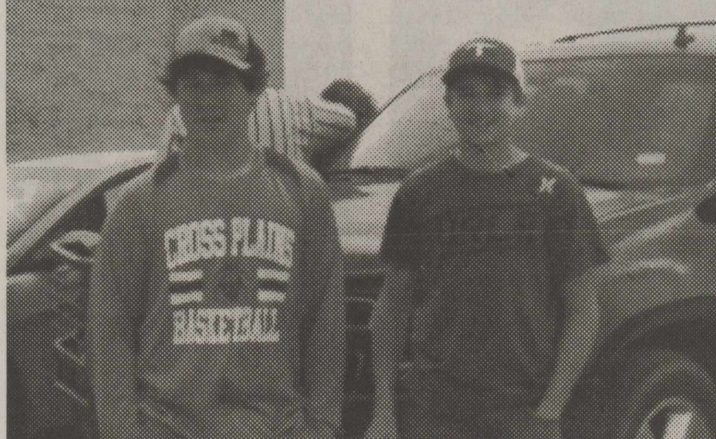
KTAB's Kathleen Barkley covered the Send Off. Here she is interviewing three members of the cast.

A good crowd came out to the High School Auditorium and parking lot for the send off for the One Act Play as they headed to the State Competition.

Kathleen Barkley from KTAB television came and covered the event and interviewed High School Principal Brad Jones, Billie Pointer, Allie Ward, Hannah Crockett and Jordan Collier from the OAP and Josh Loftis from the Cross Plains VFD, who lead the OAP procession out of town.



The OAP Cast and Crew along with their directors as they head to state.



Crew members Samuel Guerrero and Ky Stout.



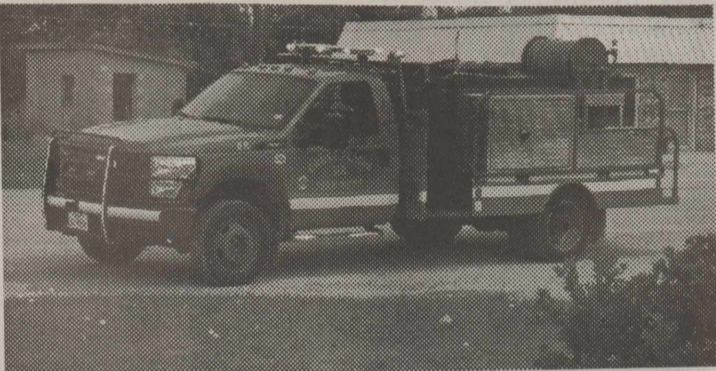
Vivian Wooten waves the flag for the OAP



Getting ready to get on the bus.



Sunday School Class at the First Baptist Church Chearing On the OAP



The CPVFD lead the way as the OAP headed out of town.

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Giving: No Age Barrier

The Cross Plains Senior Center received 146 cans of food, dried beans, macaroni, and flour from the 8 and under softball team. The Seniors were surprised by a steady parade of girls and food into the Center on game night. The coaches, Kevin Daliege and Shane Roberts and the parents of these girls are teaching them about loving and sharing with others, no

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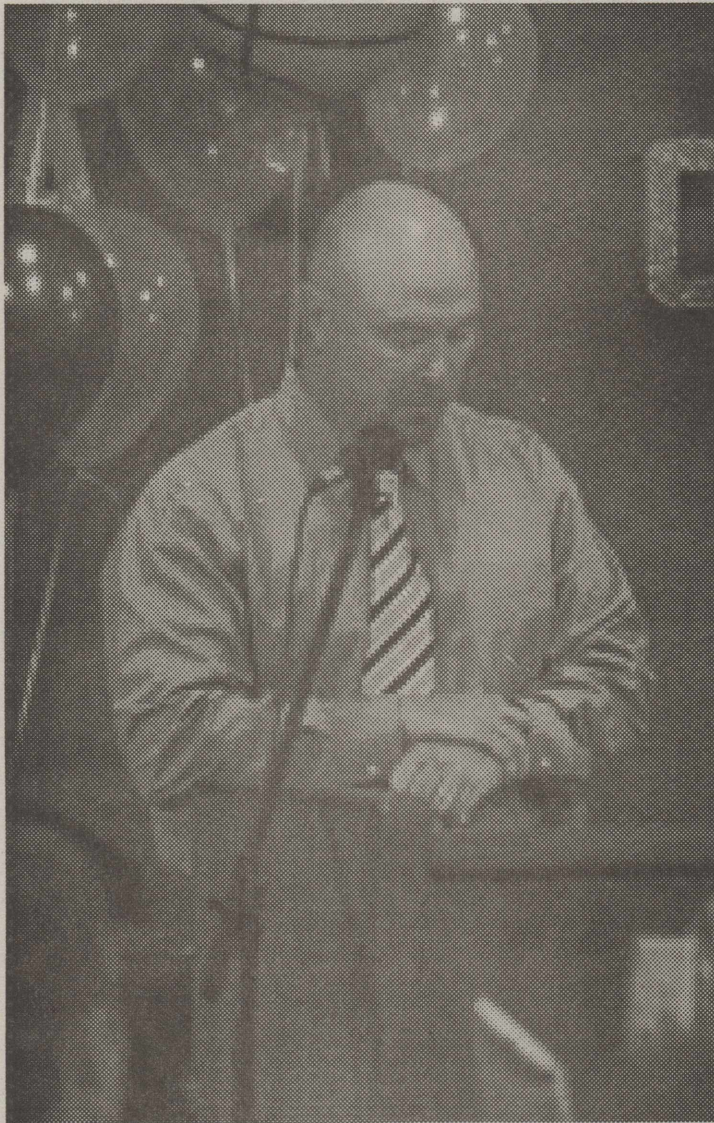
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Contest Winning Barbecued Chicken
 Prep Time: Bake: 10 Minutes Grill Time: 40 Minutes

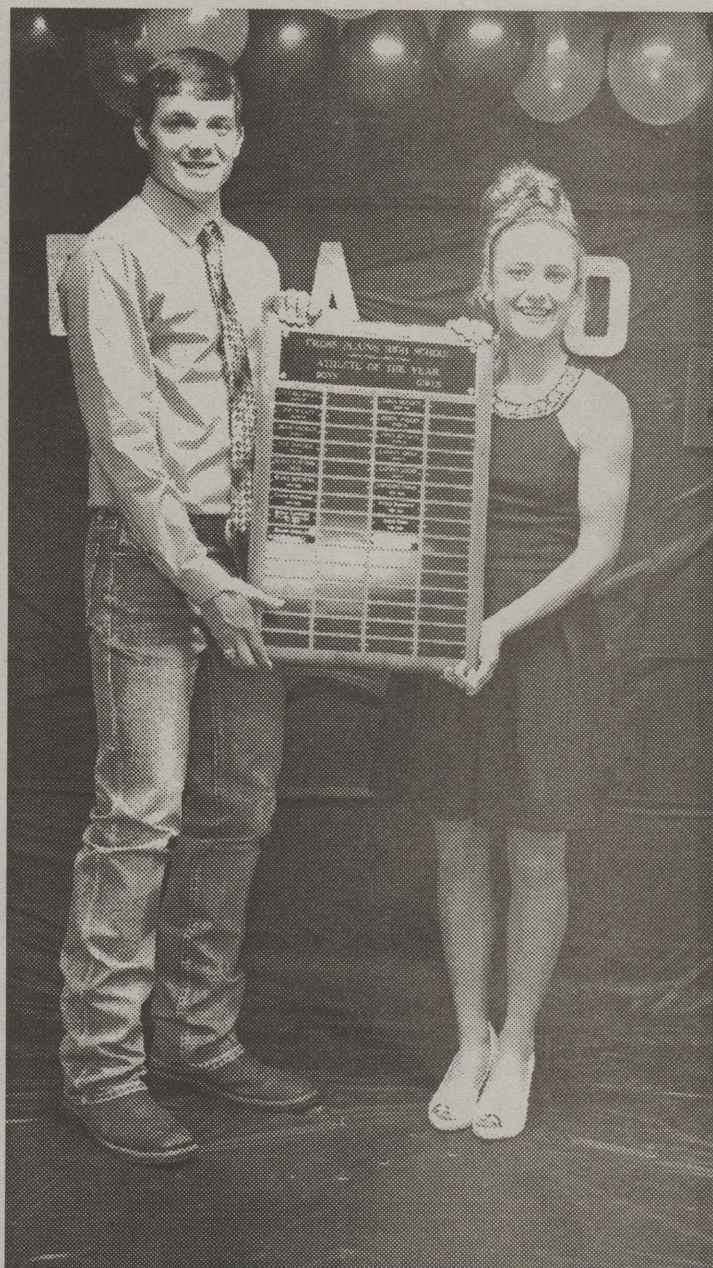
Ingredients:
 *2 broiler/fryer chickens (3 to 4 pounds each), cut up
SPICE RUB:
 * 2 tablespoons onion powder
 * 4 teaspoons salt or salt substitute
 * 1 tablespoon paprika
 * 2 teaspoons garlic powder
 * 1-1/2 teaspoons chili powder
 * 1-1/2 teaspoons pepper
 1/4 teaspoon ground turmeric
 * Pinch cayenne pepper
SAUCE:
 * 2 cups ketchup
 * 3 tablespoons brown sugar
 * 2 tablespoons dried minced onion
 * 2 tablespoons thawed orange juice concentrate
 * 1/2 teaspoon liquid smoke, optional

Directions
 1. Pat chicken pieces dry. In a small bowl, mix spice rub ingredients; reserve 1 tablespoon spice rub for sauce. Rub remaining spice rub on all sides of chicken.
 2. Grill chicken, uncovered, over medium heat 20 minutes, skin side down. Meanwhile, combine all sauce ingredients; stir in reserved spice rub. Turn chicken; grill 20-30 minutes longer or until juices run clear, basting frequently with sauce. Yield: 8 servings.

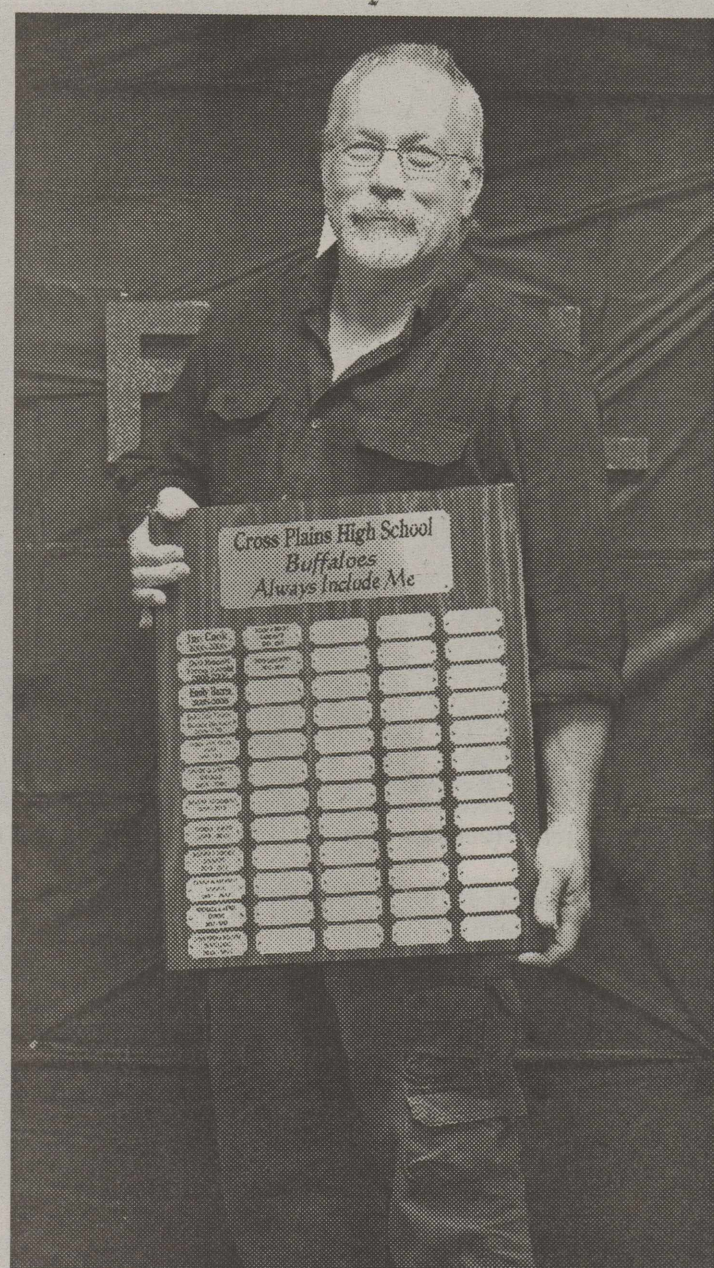
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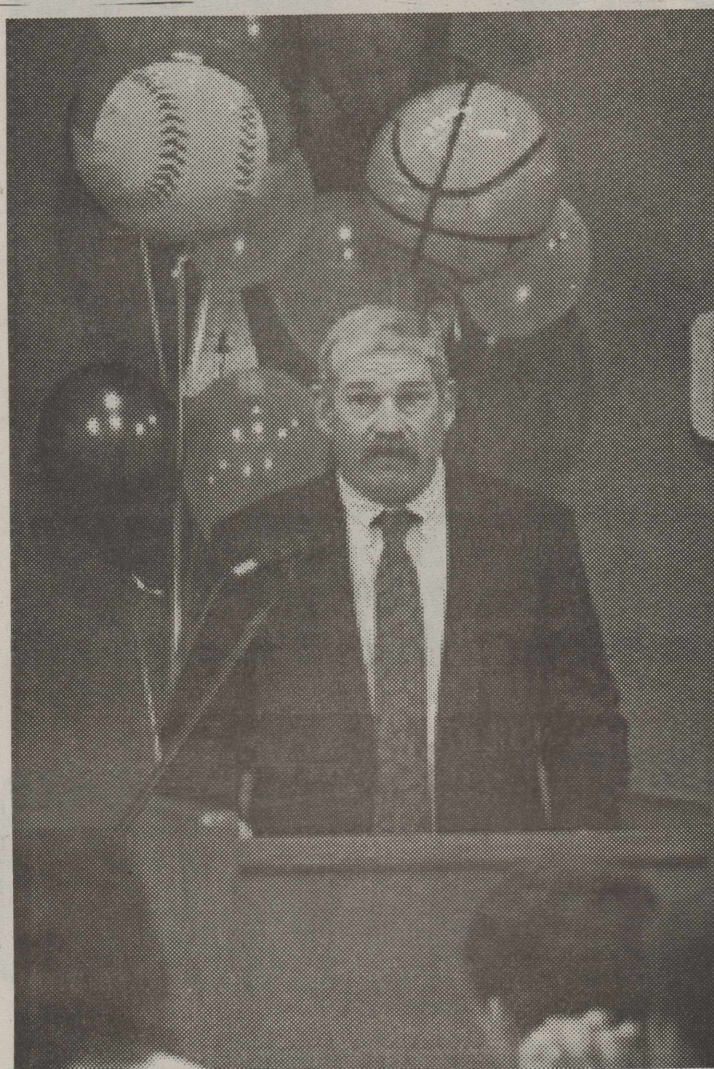


Athlete of the Year - Holden Senclair and Shelby McWilliams

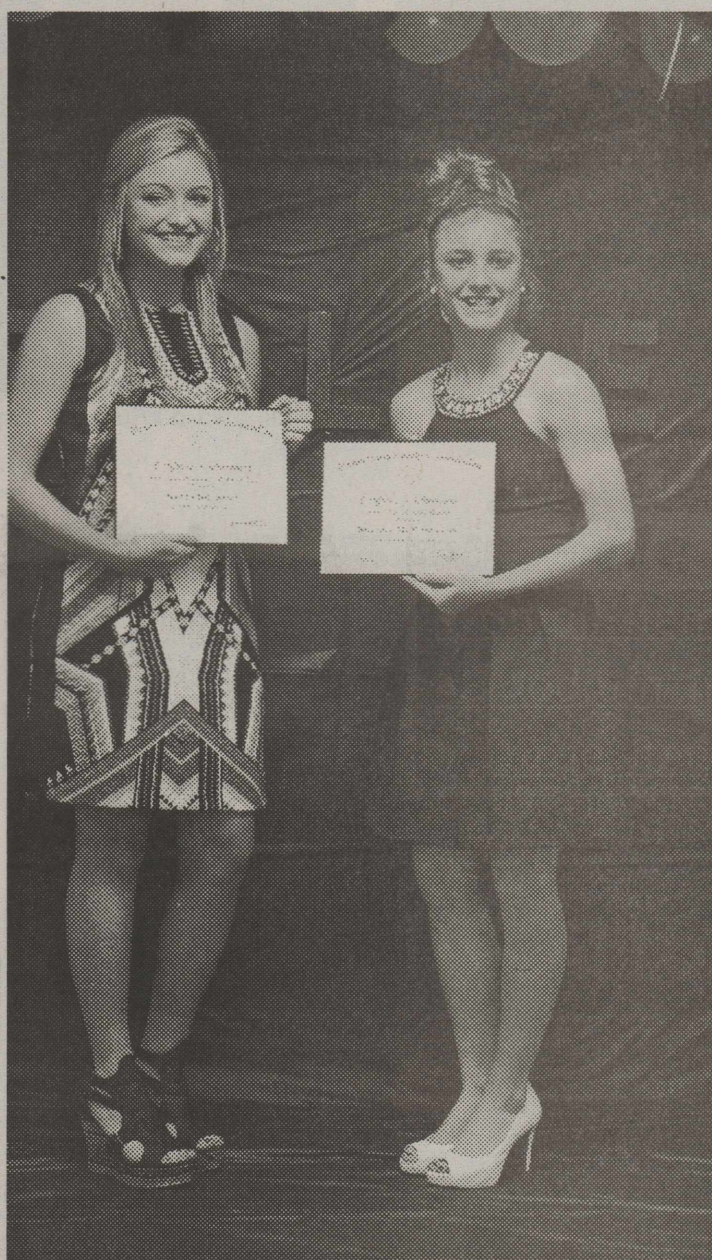


AIM - Always Include Me Award - Davy Crockett

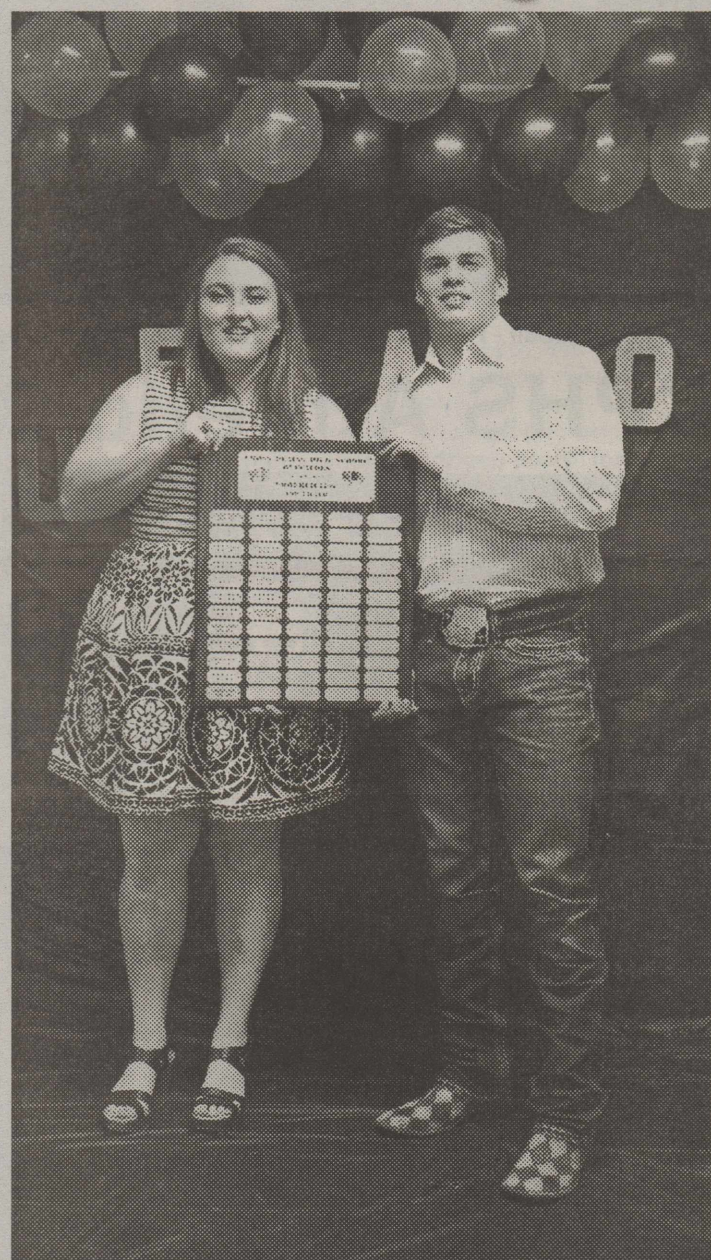
CPHS 2015-2016 Athletic Banquet



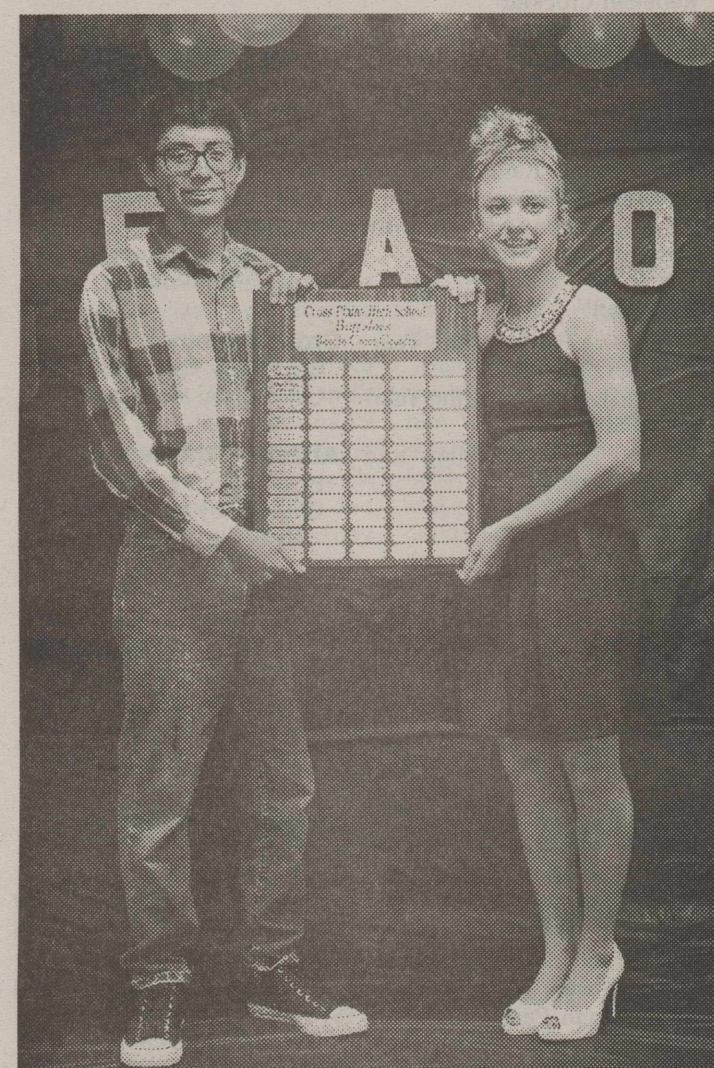
Former Head Coach Cord Woerner Spoke at the Event.



Cross Country All State - Kelli Bennett and Shelby McWilliams



Best in Powerlifting - Kaitlyn Potter and Dalton Gilliam



Best in Cross Country - Eddy Calvagna and Shelby McWilliams

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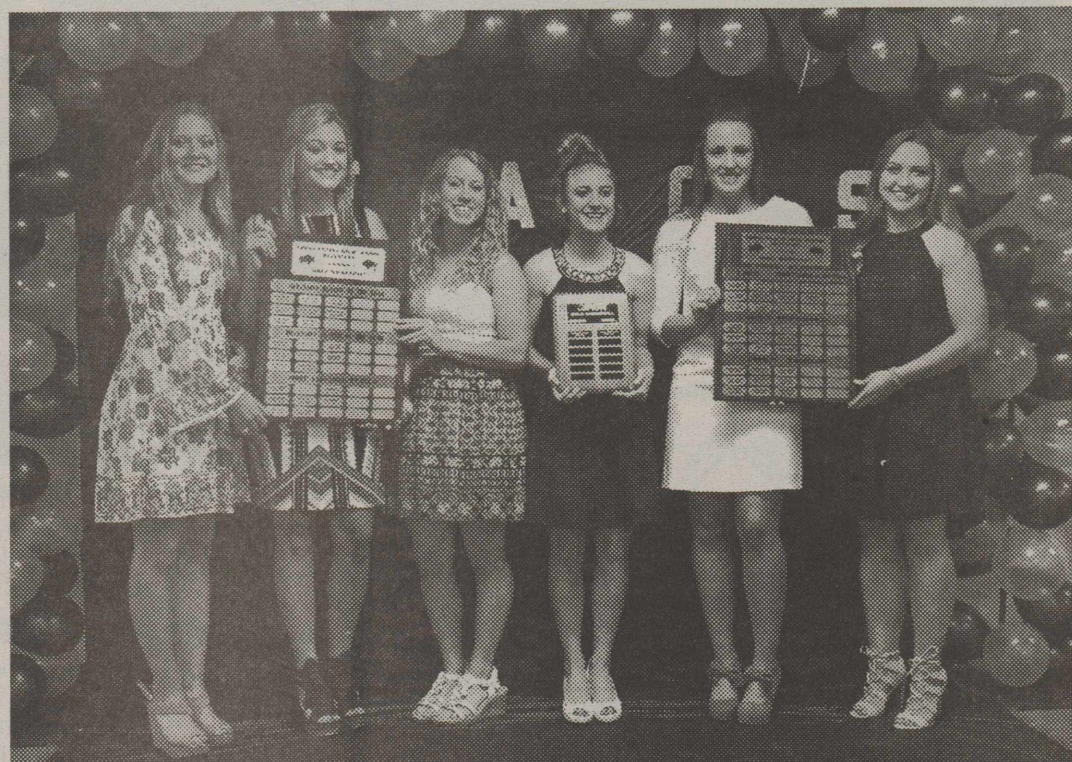
Shelby McWilliams and Holden Senclair were named Athletes of the Year at the 2015-2016 CPHS Athletic Banquet on Thursday night.

Former Head Coach Cord Woerner was the guest speaker for the event.

List of awards presented at the event:

- Always include me (Parent) Davy Crockett
- Scott Cheshier (top students)- Colton Bradley (Boy), Teagan Fortune (Girl)
- 110% "In Memory of Billy Brown"- Joe Crockett (Boy), Grace Goode (Girls)
- Bernard Sibley-Larson Walker (Boy), Hannah Cowan (Girl)

- Football**
- Offensive Player of the Year- Holden Senclair
 - Defensive Player of the Year- Kaiden Petree
 - Most Valuable Player- Dalton Gilliam
 - Blocker- Brayden Kennedy



Girls Basketball Award Winners - Grace Goode, Kelli Bennett, Rebekah Crockett, Shelby McWilliams, Katy Jo Morgan, Hannah Cowan

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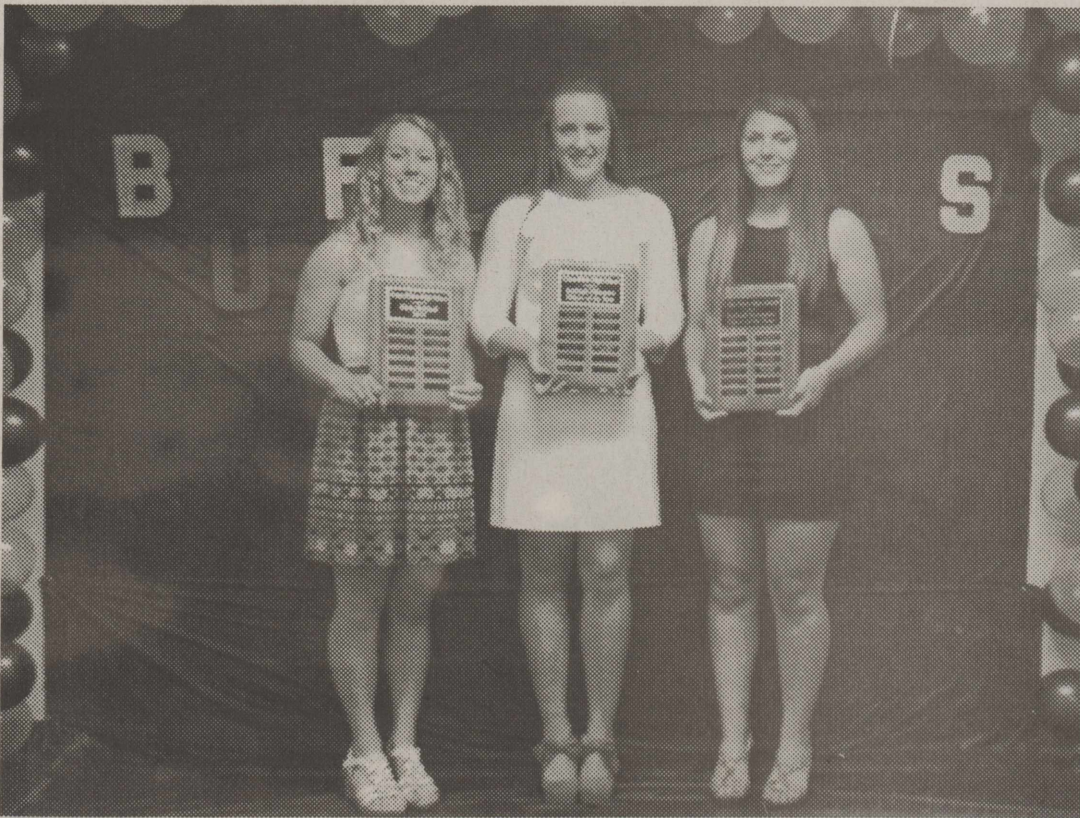
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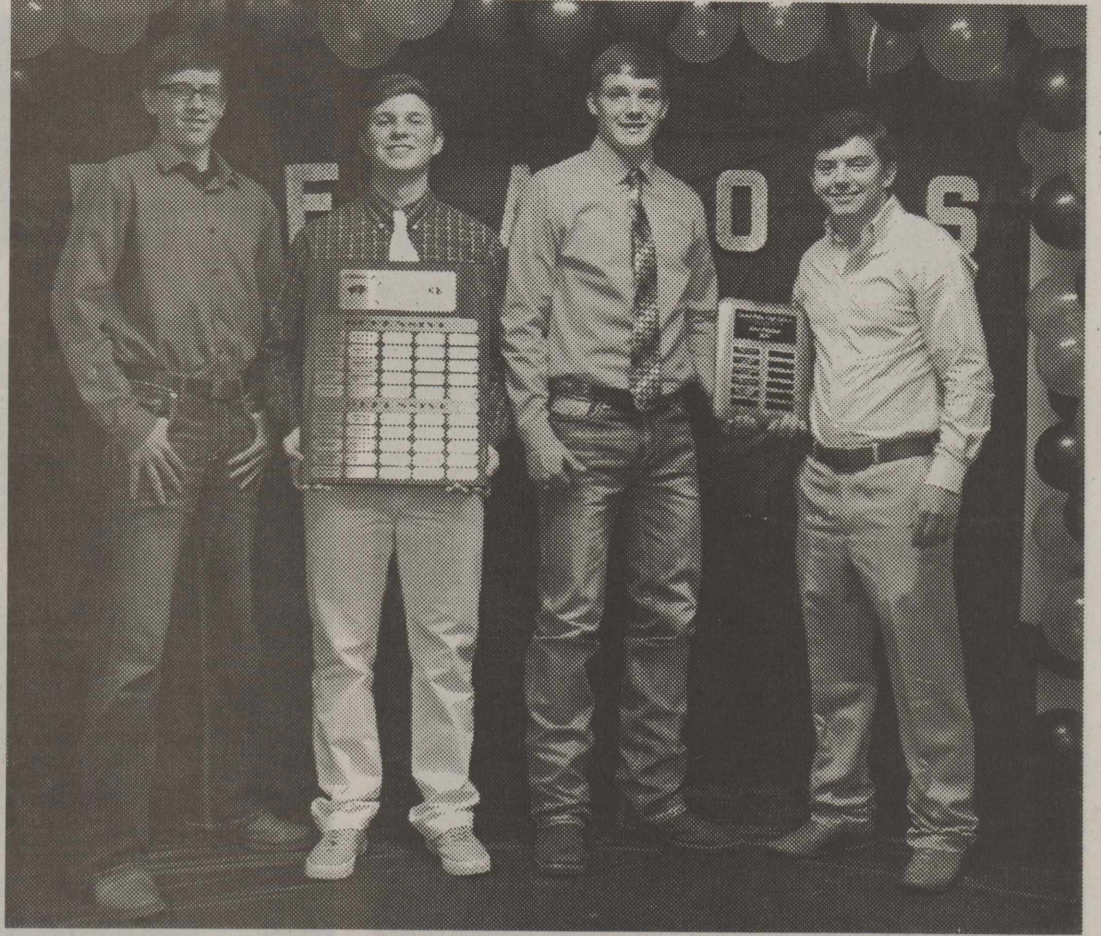
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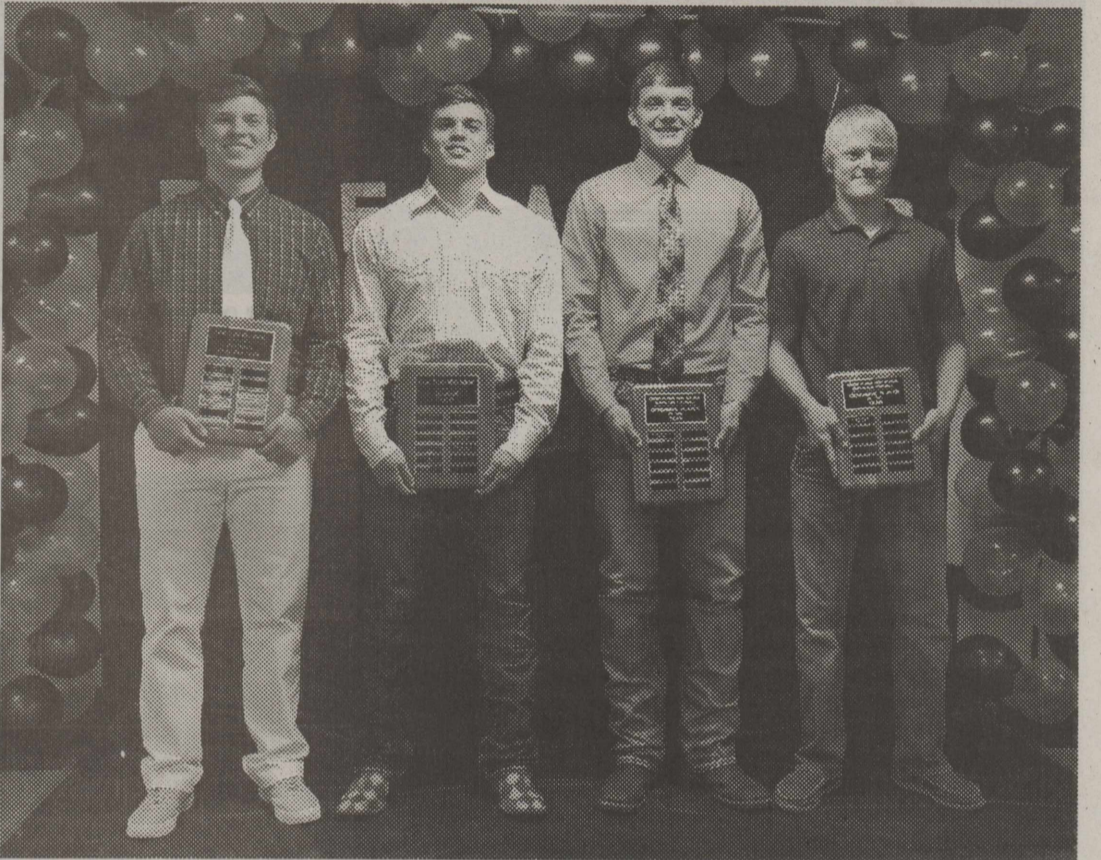
Best in Softball - Rebekah Crockett, Katy Jo Morgan, Billie Pointer



Best in Baseball - Riley Potter, Brayden Kennedy, Holden Senclair, Colton Bradley

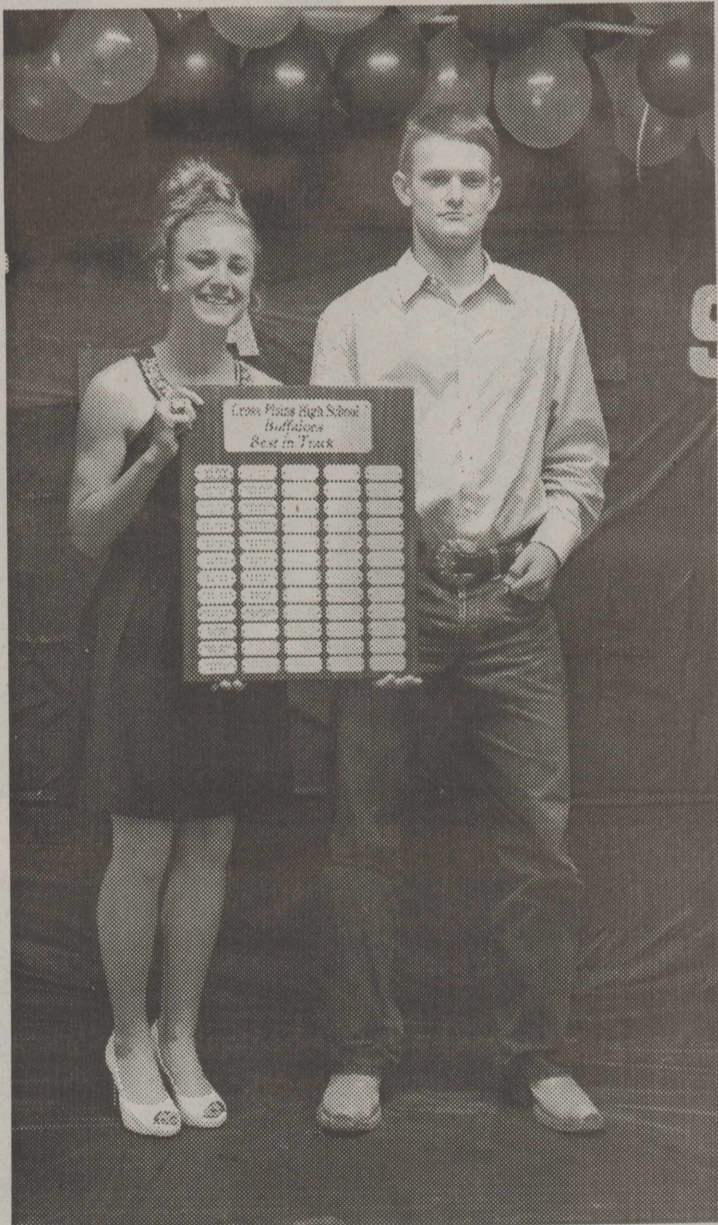


Best in Basketball - Phoenix Sanders, Holden Senclair, Creed Goode



Football Award Winners - Braden Kennedy, Dalton Gilliam, Holden Senclair, Kaiden Petree

CPHS Athletic Banquet



Best in Track - Shelby McWilliams and Creed Goode



Best in Tennis - Mackenzie Byrd

Boys Basketball

Offensive Player of the Year - Phoenix Sanders
 Defensive Player of the Year - Creed Goode
 MVP - Holden Senclair
 Most Points - Holden Senclair
 Steals - Holden Senclair
 Rebounds - Holden Senclair
 Assists - Phoenix Sanders

Girls Basketball

Offensive Player of the Year - Rebekah Crockett
 Defensive Player of the Year - Grace Goode
 MVP - Kelli Bennett
 Rebounds - Rebekah Crockett
 Assists - Shelby McWilliams
 Free Throw - Katy Jo Morgan
 3 Point - Kelli Bennett
 Most Improved - Hannah Cowan

Baseball

Offensive Player of the Year - Brayden Kennedy
 Defensive Player of the Year - Riley Potter
 MVP - Colton Bradley and Holden Senclair

Track

Boy - Creed Goode
 Girl - Shelby McWilliams

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Tennis

Mackenzie Byrd

Softball

Offensive Player of the Year - Katy Jo Morgan
 Defensive Player of the Year - Billie Pointer
 MVP - Rebekah Crockett

Powerlifting

Boy - Dalton Gilliam
 Girl - Kaitlyn Potter

Cross Country

Boy - Eddy Calvagna
 Girl - Shelby McWilliams

Athlete of the Year

Boy - Holden Senclair
 Girl - Shelby McWilliams

Catholic Communities' "Spring Into Summer Raffle"

Local Catholic communities - including St. Rita Parish (Ranger), St. Francis Xavier Parish (Eastland), Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish (Cisco), and St. John Parish (Strawn) - are holding a "Spring Into Summer Raffle" to benefit parish needs.

You can purchase tickets and have a chance to win 15 great prizes, including:

- Set of 4 Bridgestone tires, size 265/70-R17
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- Beehive Restaurant (Albany)
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- Keurig K200 Coffeemaker
- Brewing System
- Mary's Restaurant (Strawn)

\$100 gift certificate
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 Shooters Restaurant (Ranger)
 \$100 gift certificate
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 Raffle tickets are \$10 each and are on sale from April 10th. For tickets, contact any parishioner or the Parish Office at 254-647-3163. The drawing will be on Sunday, June 26, 2016, at 12:00 noon at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Cisco. The four parishes will also sponsor a festival in Cisco on June 26th - with food booths and games - along with the drawing. So buy your tickets now and plan on joining in the festivities on June 26th - and listen for Father to call out your name as a winner!

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Scott Cheshier Award - Teagan Fortune and Colton Bradley

Cross Plains Library Writing Contest Winners

Real Superheroes



When we think of heroes we think of someone in a cape, someone who's as strong as an ape. Or someone who say I'm here to save you, someone is always on cue.

But a real superhero is not like that, a real superhero is always there to chat. A real superhero does the dishes, and showers you with kisses.

They clean your clothes, and remind you to wash your toes. They come to all your events, and tell you to use common sense.

And even though they might embarrass you, if they were not there you wouldn't know what to do.

They pay the bill, and give you thrills.

They will buy you the latest

trends, and take you to cut your split ends. They will take you on a jaunt, even if it is not what they want.

When you are feeling blue, a real superhero knows just what to do. They will change their plans, just so they can lend some helping hands.

A real superhero cooks your meals, even if it's not what appeals. They wake you up in the mornings, and give you the "you better wake up" warnings. Real superheroes are the ones you love with all your heart, they are the ones that are more priceless than art. A real superhero is there every day, they are the ones that are here to stay.

By Lexie Thompson, 8th grade, teacher Mrs Atchley.

Batman & Daredevil



With all these Super hero movies coming out this year like "Deadpool, Batman versus Superman, Captain America, and the new Avengers", I was thinking about superheroes that are most alike, Take Batman and Daredevil, they are soooo alike.

Batman and Daredevil are both male. Both of their parents are dead, Batman's were assassinated by the Joker when he was 12. Daredevils mom died in labor and his dad was killed by rival boxers. They both use weapons like staffs, and knives. They also each have face covering mask and full suits.

But they 'are' different in some ways, for instance Batman's DC, while Daredevil is Marvel.

Batman lives in Gotham while Daredevil lives in New York, Daredevil is blind because when he was 13 he was skate boarding and fell into some barrel's that contained oil and the oil spilled all over him, blinding him. While Batman can see.

Batman inherited his plentiful wealth from his parents making him rich. Daredevil parents were poor people making it hard for him to make money and or inherit it. These are my comparisons between Batman and Daredevil. If Thanos gets the reality gem maybe we can put these guys together in a movie.

By Beau Baker, 6th grade, teacher Ms. Walker

Unbelievable Dog



What barks all the time? What talks all day? What sheds all over furniture? That's right! A talking dog. I love talking dogs because they're smart, they can talk, and they are so sweet.

For starters, the reason I love talking dogs is pretty obvious. They're so smart! If I owned a talking dog I would let the dog do my homework. Now wouldn't that be something! Um... Teacher I'm sorry that I have a dog print on my homework. If I had one I sure she could do it.

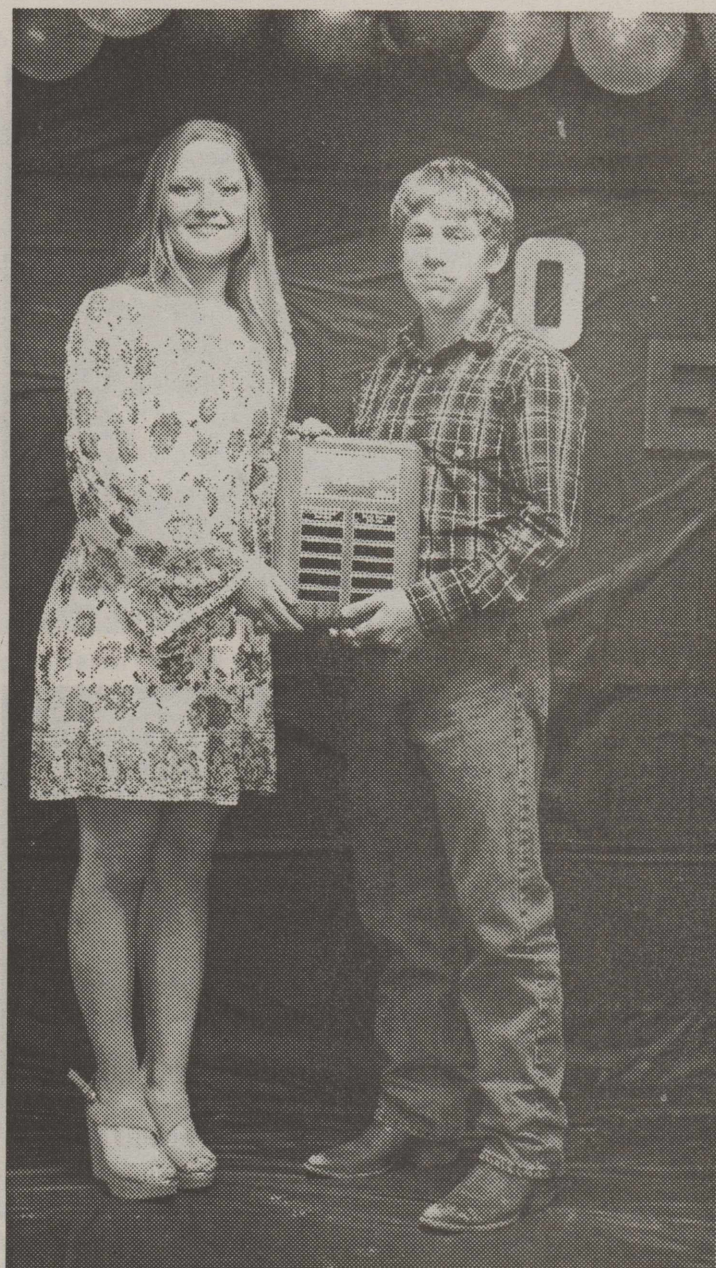
In addition, to talking dogs being smart, talking dogs also talk. Well dooooo your thinking "it's called a talking dog." Anyway, if I had a talking

dog I could tell it secrets like what happened at school or well anything. If I actually had a talking dog I would tell it to wake me up every morning. STOP dog I am so tired!!

Furthermore, talking dogs also are very sweet, I love sweet dogs, because you can play fetch with them like it was nothing. I would love to have a dog just like that. Wouldn't you?

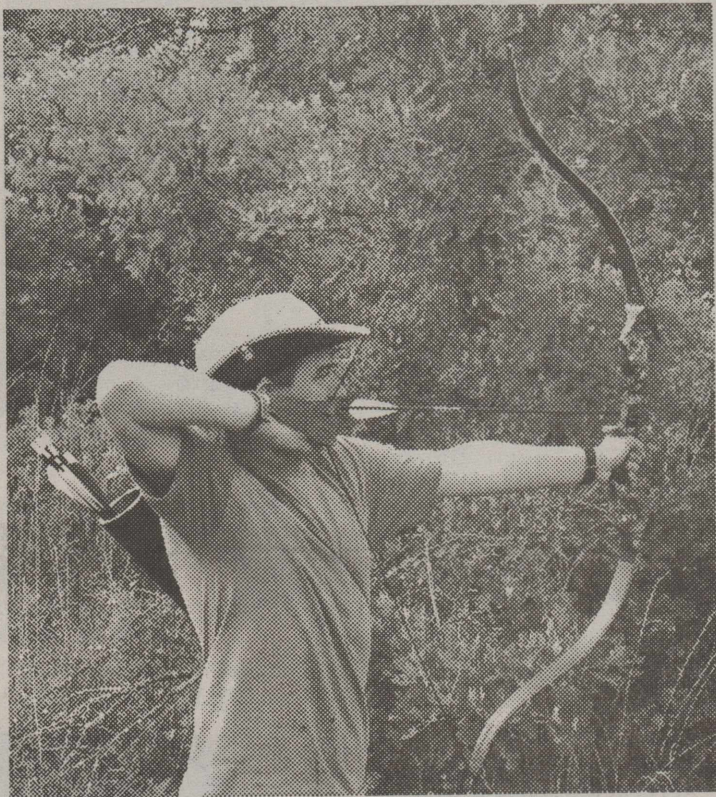
I wish I had one million talking dogs. I would love to be a talking dog. I think talking dogs are the best dog in the whole world!!!!

By Harmony Goble, 4th grade, teacher Mrs. Whitaker.



110% Award in Memory of Billy Brown - Grace Goode and Joe Crockett

Jack Larimore Places First at County 4H Shoot



Jack Larimore at the 4H Competition last weekend

Jack Larimore, son of Wes and Vicki Larimore of Cottonwood, won First Place in the Modified 600 and The 3D

Shoots in the Senior Recurve Group at the Callahan County 4H Competition at Clyde over this past weekend.

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Bernard Sibley Award - Larson Walker and Hannah Cowan

Message to the Graduates

By Tom Milton

The High School Graduation

Years ago I attended the Cross Plains High School graduation and I found it to be encouraging.

I think everyone should go to a High School Graduation every so often.

I think we all owe a special Thank You for all the teachers and staff involved in influencing these kids, after all they are the Future.

With all the bad news we see nowadays, it was refreshing to see the new young adults with their enthusiasm and their innocence.

As the Graduates each received cards of encouragement, they wondered what was now expected of them?

I don't think people expect things, I think people hope for good things for your futures.

Maybe what is "expected" of them is some of the following: Keep your Faith.

Be true and honest to yourself and others.

Respect yourself and others Always strive for Happiness. Be comfortable being by yourself.

Be safe and take care of yourself, remember you are Number 1.

Make people proud of you. Try to stay busy and be productive

Make each day count. Look for opportunities and go

for them after careful thought.

Give things your best effort, if sometimes you fail, then you can't say you did not give it your all.

You are going to make mistakes, learn from them.

You can lose a lot in a very fast period of time by being stupid.

Think for a period of time before doing something major.

Try to find a job that makes you happy and is interesting.

Be careful of ruts and try new things.

Volunteer to help others. "Open doors" for others.

Try to put yourself in other peoples shoes and try to get a different perspective.

Appreciate what you have, and try not to get too caught up in comparing yourself to others.

Don't think you are better or below others.

Respect people who try. Real friends are gold.

Spend time with your friends, but do not smother them, as they need their own space.

If you lose someone close to you, then be thankful you got the time with them, after they are gone, try to live your life the way they would have wanted you to live it.

Wounds heal over time. Remember the past, learn from the past, live for today and tomorrow.

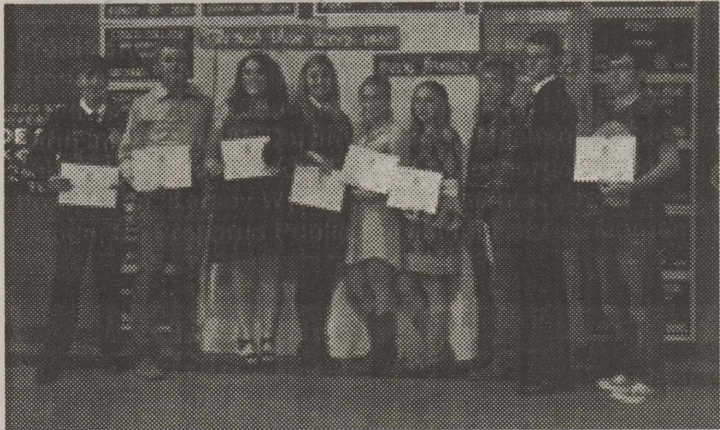
As my Great Uncle (who was born around 1906) used to tell me: "Keep your chin up!"

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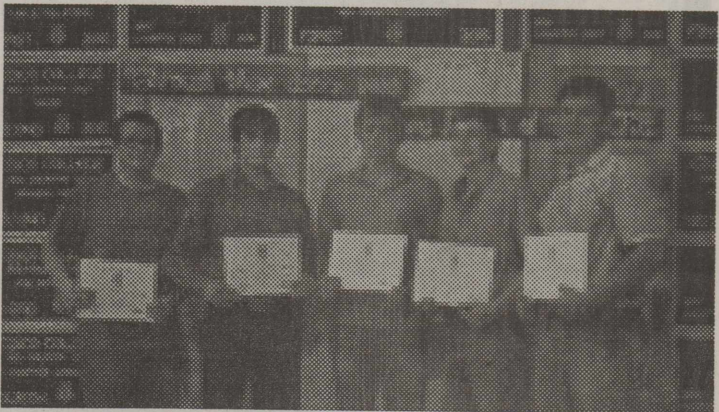
Senior Skills Team - James Rhyne, Creed Goode, Joe Crockett



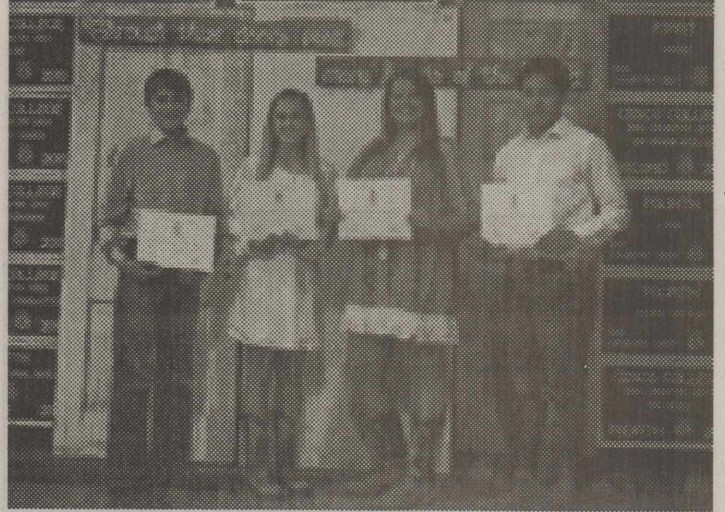
Dairy Products Judging Team consists of Teagan Fortune, Grace Goode, Hanna Fortune, Hanna Cowan, Mackenzie Byrd, Kenzie Kleiber, Eddy Calvagna, Hannah Crockett, Jacob Mitchell, Kaydence Smoot, Nathan Hernandez



Horse Judging Team consists of Shelby McWilliams, Dobbs McWilliams, Zach Thompson, Chloe Alford, Tripp Thomas, Paxton Byrd, Ryan Carey, Lexie Thompson, Macee Steigleder



Land Judging Team consists of Gage Connelly, Ethan Jones, Aaron Willis, Kaiden Petree, Anthony Fidler and James Rhyne



Dairy Cattle Judging Team - Ky Stout, Lorelei Woodard, Piper Winfrey, Brian Morales

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Prodiency Award Winners - Div. Agricultural Production, Katy Jo Morgan; Beef Production, Grace Goode; Poultry Production, Katy Jo Morgan; Home/Farm Improvement, Darrin Ames; Ag Mechanics, Zach Thompson; Grain Production, Katy Jo Morgan; Goat Production, Kersey Wyatt; Equine Science, Creed Goode; Sr. Prepared Public Speaking, Katy Jo Morgan

LDE's

SENIOR CHAPTER CONDUCTING TEAM— 5th DISTRICT: Grace Goode, Hannah Cowan, Creed Goode, Larson Walker, Jacy Bien, Gage Connelly, Jackilann Shepard, Trent Potter, Tripp Thomas, Kenzie Kleiber
JUNIOR CHAPTER CONDUCTING TEAM— 4th District: Destinee Cooper, Anthony Fidler, Keegan King, Jacob Mitchell, Katelynn Parker, Macee Steigleder, Lexie Thompson, Trent Tollett, Heather Yates

SENIOR QUIZ TEAM-- 4th DISTRICT: Jacy Bien, Mackenzie Byrd, Strena Cunningham, Teagan Fortune
JUNIOR QUIZ TEAM---5th DISTRICT: Taylor Busby, Jacob Mitchell, Kaydence Smoot, Trent Tollett
SR. SKILLS--- 2nd District, 5th Area: Joe Crockett, Creed Goode, James Rhyne
RADIO TEAM--- 2nd DISTRICT, 6th Area: Hannah Cowan, Kelli Bennett, Grace Goode

JOB INTERVIEW---3rd District: Katy Jo Morgan
SENIOR CREED SPEAKER--- 11th District: Kaitlyn Potter
JUNIOR CREED SPEAKER - 10th District: Katelynn Parker
SPANISH CREED - 2nd District, 10th Area: Brian Morales
PUBLIC RELATIONS- 1st District, 7th Area: Katy Jo Morgan, Larson Walker, Jackilann Shepard

BIG COUNTRY DISTRICT LDE SWEEPSTAKES—CROSS PLAINS 1st Place



Senior Chapter Conducting Team - 5th District



Junior Chapter Conducting Team - 4th District



Poultry Judging Team - Katy Jo Morgan, Jacy Bien, Allie Jones, Larson Walker



Honorary Chapter Degree - Evelyn Harris



Star Greenhand - Macee Steigleder



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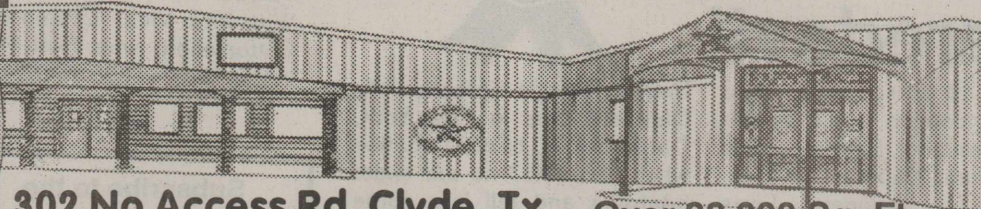
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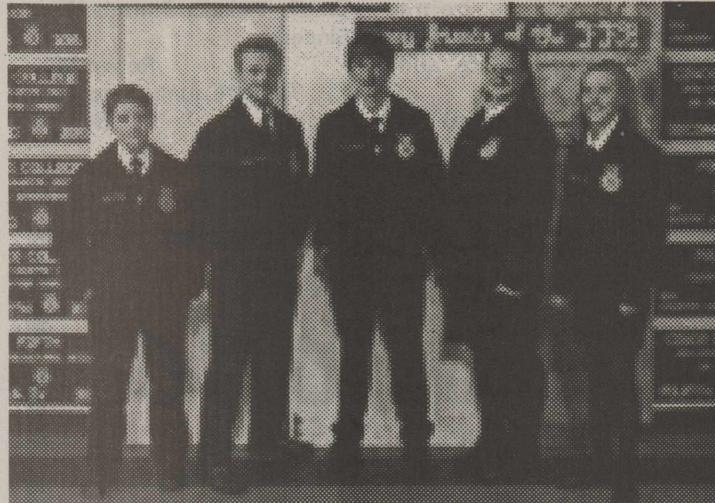
Senior Chapter Officers



Radio Team - Grace Goode, Kelli Bennett, Hannah Cowan



Junior Quiz Team consists of Taylor Busby, Jacob Mitchell, Kaydence Smoot, Trent Tollett



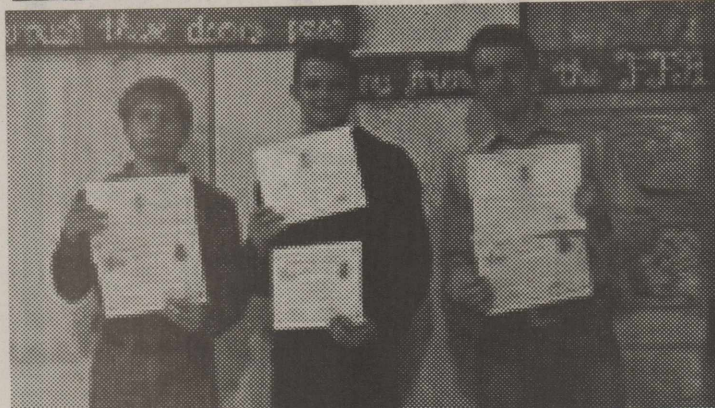
Junior Chapter Officers



Lone Star Degrees - Hannah Cowan, Kenzie Byrd, Kersey Wyatt, Grace Goode



Senior Quiz Team consists of Jacy Bien, Mackenzie Byrd, Strena Cunningham, Teagan Fortune



Homesite Evaluation Team - Joe Crockett, Creed Goode, Trent Potter

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Eddy Calvagna, Hannah Crockett, Kaydence Smoot, Jacob Mitchell, Nathan Hernandez.

DAIRY CATTLE JUDGING---

Participated at TSU Inv., Area IV: Ky Stout, Brian Morales, Piper Winfrey, Loralei Woodard

LAND JUDGING----

Jacksboro, McLennan Co., TSU Invitational, San Angelo, Area IV: James Rhyne, Gage Connelly, Ethan Jones, Aaron Willis, Kaiden Petree, Bryce Petree, Anthony Fidler

HOMESITE EVALUATION--

Participated State Contest: Creed Goode, Trent Potter, Joe Crockett

POULTRY JUDGING--15th

East Central, 1st Jacksboro, Parker County (no team) 3rd McLennan Co., 5th Cross Plains (Larson & Katy Jo set it up) 8th TSU, 2nd Angelo State, 1st Area IV (1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th High Individual); 1st Hamilton, 6th State:

Larson Walker--1st Jacksboro, 4th McLennan Co., 7th TSU, 2nd Angelo State, 1st Area IV, 2nd Hamilton, 6th State;

Katy Jo Morgan - 4th Parker County, 11th McLennan County, 10th Angelo State, 2nd Area IV, 3rd Hamilton, 11th State (tie breaker for 10th);

Jackilann Shepard - 5th Jacksboro, 9th McLennan County, 2nd Cross Plains, 5th TSU, 7th Angelo State 3rd Area IV, 4th Hamilton;

Jacy Bien - 7th Cross Plains, 4th Area IV

Allie Jones

FUNDRAISER AWARD

Highest Fruit and Meat Sales - Katy Jo Morgan

Highest Cookie Dough Sales - Brayden Kennedy

PRODICIENCY AWARDS

DIV. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION---Katy Jo Morgan, District Winner, Area Winner, State Qualifier (will find out results in June)

BEEF PRODUCTION---Grace Goode, District Winner, Area Qualifier

POULTRY PRODUCTION--Katy Jo Morgan, District Winner, Area Winner, State Qualifier (will find out results in June)

HOME / FARM IMPROVEMENT---Darrin Ames

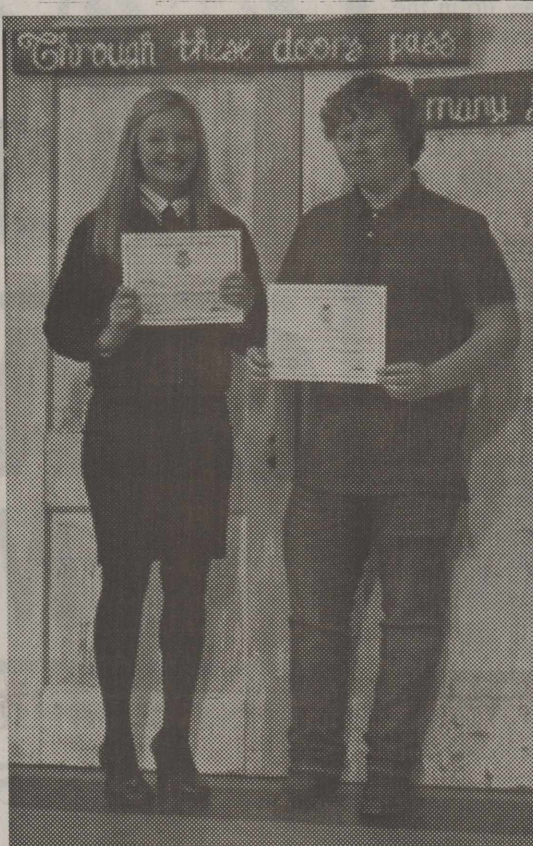
AG MECHANICS---Zach Thompson

GRAIN PRODUCTION --- Katy Jo Morgan, 2014-15 State Winner, National Silver Finalist

GOAT PRODUCTION - Kersey Wyatt

EQUINE SCIENCE - Creed Goode, District Winner, Area Winner, State Qualifier (will find out results in June)

SR. PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING - Katy Jo Morgan - AG Policy, District Winner, 3rd Area IV



Ag Booster Club Scholarships - Kelli Bennett and Darrin Ames

STAR GREENHAND---Macee Steigleder

STAR CHAPTER-- Trent Potter, District Winner

LONE STAR DEGREES: Grace Goode, Kersey Wyatt, Kenzie Byrd, Hannah Cowan

SCHOLARSHIPS

TEXAS FFA APPLICANTS-- Teagan Fortune, Kelli Bennett

AG BOOSTER CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS- Darrin Ames, Kelli Bennett

HONORARY CHAPTER DEGREE -- Evelyn Harris



Job Interview - Katy Jo Morgan. Katy Jo also won the Highest Fruit and Meat Sales Award



Texas FFA Applicants - Kelli Bennett and Teagan Fortune



Junior Creed Speaker - Katelynn Parker



Spanish Creed Speaker Brian Morales



Senior Creed Speaker - Kaitlyn Potter

CDE's

LIVESTOCK JUDGING--- 6th Jacksboro, 9th Parker County 9th McLennan Co., 17th Area IV: Creed Goode - 20th Jacksboro, 19th McLennan County; Joseph Crockett - 4th Jacksboro; Kelli Bennett, Trent Potter, Kersey Wyatt, Kaitlyn Potter, Destinee Cooper, Chance Thompson, Trent Tollett

HORSE JUDGING---12th Panther Creek, 3rd Cisco, 13th TSU, 15th ASU, 4th Area IV: Shelby McWilliams --3rd Cisco; Dobbs McWilliams - 8th Cisco; Zach Thompson, Chloe Alford, Tripp Thomas, Paxton Byrd, Ryan Carey, Lexie Thompson, Macee Steigleder

DAIRY PRODUCTS JUDGING--- 3rd Jacksboro, 1st Cisco College, 1st Parker County, 4th TSU inv., 1st Cross Plains, 1st McLennan Co., 2nd Angelo State, 1st Area IV, 1st Hamilton, 4th State:

Teagan Fortune -1st Cisco College, 1st Parker County, 3rd McLennan Co.; 1st Cross Plains Inv, 9th TSU, 2nd Angelo State, 2nd Area IV, 1st Hamilton, 7th State;

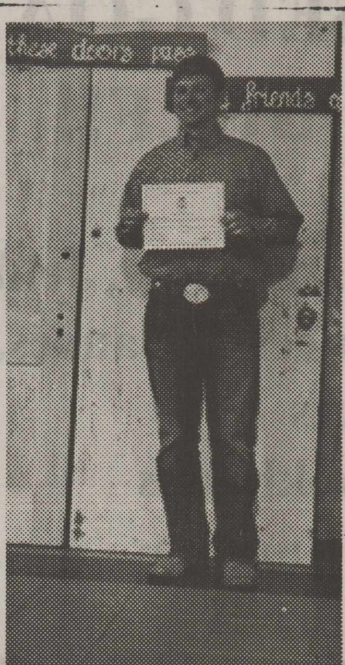
Grace Goode -1st Jackboro, 5th Cisco College, 3rd Parker County, 2nd Cross Plains, 2nd McLennan Co., 8th Angelo State, 1st Area IV, 3rd Hamilton;

Hanna Fortune - 7th McLennan County, 6th Area, 4th Hamilton, 4th State;

Hanna Cowan - 15th Jacksboro, 13th Cisco, 6th ASU, 5th Area;

Mackenzie Byrd - 12th Jackboro, 16th Cisco, 17th Cross Plains;

Kenzie Kleiber - 20th Cross Plains;



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Wed. 1:00 to 5:00pm
Thurs. 1:00pm to 5:00pm
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Grace Goode, Chapter President 2015-2016

On Your Mark Get Set, ...Read

The Cross Plains Public Library will be hosting the Summer Reading Program again this year with the emphasis on Sports. Miss Sue's Little Champion Readers will meet each Wednesday at 1:00 (except on movie days, all at 1:15). She will have stories and crafts for children 6 years and younger. Our main program (all ages) will begin at 2:00 each Wednesday, except on movie days (1:15). We will meet for 8 weeks and the following is our schedule:
June 15: Roping Demonstration
June 2: Field Trip to Fire Department
June 29: Movie - Air Bud, July 6: Intramural Day
July 13: Movie - Angels in the Outfield
July 20: Living History Presentation
July 27: Crafts with Chris
Aug 3: Splash in the Park
Hope to see you there.



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BOOK SALE/BAKE SALE ON JUNE 4th TO BENEFIT JEREMIAH 29 PROJECT

Saturday, June 4th, is the date for our next Cross Plains Public Library Book Sale. This month all proceeds will benefit the Jeremiah 29 Project. We will also have baked goods for sale to raise funds for this worthy cause. Drop by the building across from Lawrence Farm & Ranch on Highway 36 between 8:00a.m. - 2:00p.m. We are opening at 8am for the bake sale, so shop early and don't miss out on some delicious treats!

To accommodate all the boxes of books waiting to be added to our shelves, we have been busy cleaning and sorting.

Our non-fiction room is nearly ready for more books and we are adding to our western paperbacks, which is our most highly sought-after genre. Paperback fiction, mysteries and sci-fi are now in order to make your perusing easier. Next, we are cleaning and organizing the children's room, adding chairs for the kids to sit on and choose books while their parents shop.

The Jeremiah 29 Project provides local children with lunch each weekday during the summer, as well as snacks for the weekend (thanks to the Trull Foundation).

Oplin Community Homecoming will be held Saturday, June 4th

The Oplin Community Center would like to invite everyone that now resides in the Oplin community and everyone that has ever lived in the Oplin community to our bi-annual community homecoming to be held on Saturday, June 4th.

Brisket and sausage (cooked by long time community chefs Doug Campbell and Butch Woodard) and iced tea will be provided by the community center and everyone else is asked to bring side dishes

or desserts. Doors will open shortly after 10:00 a.m.

Come out and meet with old friends or make a few new ones, meet the neighbors you never had the chance to meet. Visit with folks that grew up in the area that would love to share the history of Oplin.

So mark your calendar, gather the family and come out to the Oplin Community Center for a day of good friends and a real good meal.

Tickets now available for Friends of NRA Banquet Gun Donation Contest

The Callahan County Friends of the NRA annual banquet will be held on Saturday, August 6th at the First Methodist Church of Clyde Fellowship Hall located at 217 Oak Street in downtown Clyde.

Tickets are now available from any Friends of the NRA board member or can be purchased at the Clyde Journal or the Rowden Store.

Only 250 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$20.00 each. The drawing will take place during the banquet on August 6th.

Three guns will be awarded to three separate winners. The first is a Kimber Ultra-Carry II Two-tone. The second is a



Remington 870 Super Mat and the third gun offered will be a Weatherby Vanguard Selection 30 06.

All proceeds from this year's Callahan County Friends of the NRA Banquet will benefit the NRA Foundation and the West Texas FNRA.

This year's annual banquet will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Veterans News

by Tom Ivey

Memorial Day Memories of the fallen in 2016

Monday, May 30, 2016 will be observed as Memorial Day! This year and this day is the correct and true day, which was set aside as a Day of Remembrance for all our fallen service men and women.

This Monday their final resting places will be marked with American Flags in many cemeteries across America.

All the cemeteries in Callahan County will celebrate their sacrifice, with some sort of Memorial Service, including the Ross Cemetery in Baird, Texas where 456 American Flags will be needed to mark where each soldier lies. The Flags are to honor those who served when needed.

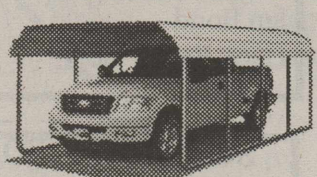
Take a moment to remember our recent losses.....John William Allen-USA; Jimmy

Royal "Roy" Barbian-USA; Micheal Gene Bushnell-USA; William "Bill" Franklin Felts-USMC 30 years, Tim Garrett-US; Carlton Gunter-USA; Dr. Lloyd Huff-USA; Marvin "Sid" Johnston-USAAF; Jerry D. Jeffries-USAF; John E. Jones-USN; John Paul Jones-USA; Robert "Bob" Ardell Jones-USN; Ruby Lorraine Davis Lewis-USA; Kenneth "Pappy" Mitchell-USAR; Morris "Bud" Pierce-USA & TNG; Robert "Dewayne" Poindexter-USN; Patrick "Pat" Xavier Prew-USA; Robert D. Tennison-USAAF; Richard Lee Willis-USAF; Robert L. "Bob" McKelvey-USAF; and Silas "Si" Tucker-USAF.

Give a word of thanks and your condolences to the families of these service people who have answered the last call.

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"Seabiscuit" Book-to-Movie Event

The Cross Plains Public Library will host a book-to-movie event featuring "Seabiscuit" at the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center on Thursday, June 30 at 5:30p.m. Participants may pick up a copy of the book for only \$5 at the library, while supplies last.

We will view the movie and then head to Jean's Feed Barn for 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, please call Sandra at the library (725-7722) and sign up.

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Session 2 of Big Country Beef Cattle Improvement Series

Shackelford County Spring Range Tour 2016

Location: TXDOT Road Side Park on Hwy 180. Directions: Google Map

Tour will leave this location and tour The Merrick Davis Ranch. The tour will be convoy style across the ranch with several low water creek crossings. Please bring 4-wheel drive vehicles only, or plan to share a ride for the tour.

Here is your chance to come out and tour the Merrick Davis Ranch with Rick Hanson of H&M Cattle Company. This event is a continuation of the Fall Field Day. This tour will highlight how conservation practices have helped the ranch to sustain wildlife habitat and

forage production, and recover from drought in a shorter period of time. So come and enjoy a morning in the field on the historic Merrick Davis Ranch. Registration begins at 8:30 with the tour and presentations at 9:00.

Ranch Tour Highlights Prescribed Burning, Fire Guards, Mechanical, Chemical and IPT, Brush Control and Sculpting, Livestock Water Development and Prescribed Grazing Practices being utilized to create a haven for outstanding wildlife and livestock production.

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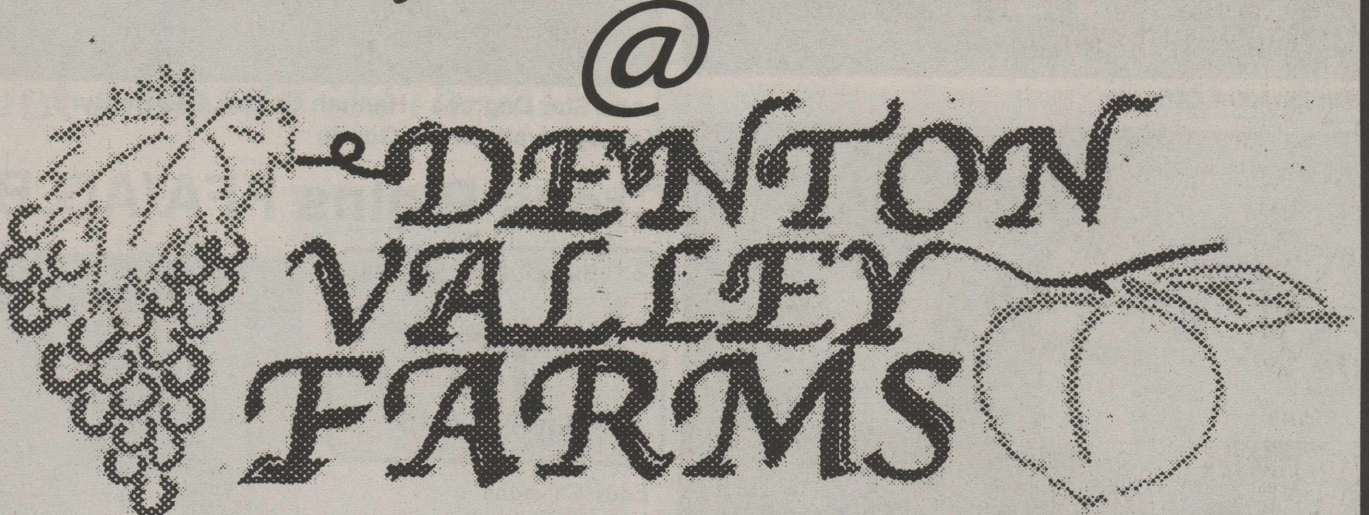
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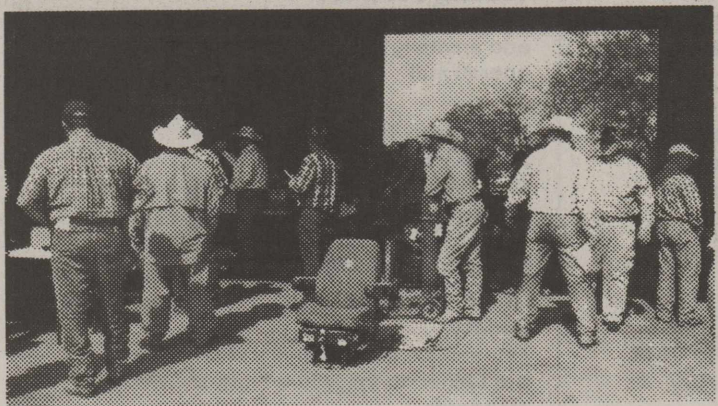
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Peggy Winfrey talks with the Auctioneer and the crowd at the auction.



Auctioning items in the warehouse.



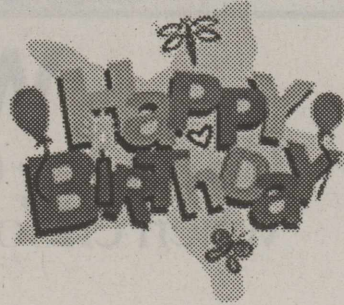
Bubba's Barbeque had lunch available at the auction.

Cross Plains Grain and Peanut Auction Held on May 21

Last Saturday, May 21st, H5 Auction and Realty, held the auction at Cross Plains Grain and Peanut Company. Local and area residents and businessmen bid on ag equipment, vehicles, shop equipment, tools, office furniture and the property.



The Cross Plains Grain and Peanut Co. Auction on Saturday drew a large crowd.



May 29

Keegan Lane King
Kelly Ford
Doug Richard Adams
Jerry Ramey
Ben Honea
Mrs. Glenn Merrill
Charlotte (Albrecht) Haston
Chasity Marv

May 30

Kyler Paul King
Levin Haachson
Mrs. Garmond Parrish
Maxey Evans
Henry Edington
Lynn Rochelle Belew
Dickie Wayne Chambers
Michael Hutchins
Martha Ramirez
Christina Beaty
Hallie Ellerbe

May 31

Kelli Draper Cozart
Vallie Delann Yancey
Mrs. James Chesshir
Darla Davis
Earl E. Hooks
Mrs. Elmer Biehl
Karen Ross
Chancy West
Douglas Edwin Ege
Dennis Brown
Melinda Williams
Sherry Odom
David Purdue
Jennifer Bronson

June 1

Kylie Jordan Broadus
Rita Bates
Gary Gilmore
Junior Harding
Bess Black
Robert L. Hayes
Mrs. R.D. Corley
Karsyn Lynn Bennett-Phillips
Derek Downs

June 2

Todd Hogan
Darrel O. Walker
Jane Nunn
Gregg Williams
Bruce Hubbard
Donny Webb
Ross Rowlett
Mark Coburn
Clark Coburn

June 3

Hayden Gabriel Pancake
Sandra (Weiss) Carey
Charles Coburn
Alexis Angel Mauricio

June 4

Tommy Lynn Porter
Tommy Mae Connelly
Wayland Blair
Kenneth Sowell

What Are You Reading?

by the Bookworms



Looking for a good book for your 4th-6th grader? Visit the library and check out "A Million Ways Home" by Dianna Dorisi Winget. The story is about a girl named Poppy Parker, whose parents were killed when she was a baby, so her grandmother became her guardian. Poppy and her grandmother grow very close. When her grandmother suffers a stroke, Poppy is sent to a children's home.

After sneaking out one day in an attempt to see her grandmother, Poppy witnesses a murder. She goes into the witness protection and ends up living with a police detective's mother. While living there, Poppy volunteers at an animal shelter and makes friends with Gunner, a special German Shepherd.

All Poppy wants is for things to go back to the way they were before her grandmother's stroke. She has to learn that just because things change, it doesn't mean change can't be a good thing. I thoroughly enjoyed this book and highly recommend it.

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Christine Woodard Named to Dean's Honor Roll at McMurry University

ABILENE, TX -- Christine Woodard from Cross Plains TX has been named to the Spring 2016 Dean's Honor Roll at McMurry University. To be eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must complete 6-11 credit hours with at least a 3.5 grade point average.

McMurry University was founded in 1923 as a United Methodist institution, and is a vibrant and comprehensive center of higher education. McMurry has a national reputation for excellence and value through the achievements of its faculty, students and graduates. The University enrolls more than 1,000 students and has an average class size of 16. No graduate assistants teach courses and over 77% of our professors have achieved the highest degree in their academic field.

Offering a diverse academic curriculum students can choose from 45 majors in the arts, business, education and the sciences as well as our pre-professional programs in medicine, dentistry, engineering, law, pharmacy, physical therapy and others. The Servant Leadership

Program has been on campus for 25 years. With courses and service opportunities focusing on moral decision making, reasoning and practical application in the development of sensitivity to ethical issues of our global society. Students gain hands-on experience as they apply those concepts and techniques through extensive work with local non-profit entities in the Abilene community.

McMurry has over 40 clubs and organizations and 19 intercollegiate sports. Students are engaged with the community and average over 24,000 hours of annual service. Our beautiful campus is located on 52 acres in Abilene, Texas, a city of over 118,000 friendly people.

McMurry is guided by our core values: Christian Faith as the foundation of life, Personal Relationships as the catalyst for life, Learning as the journey of life, Excellence as the goal of life, and Service as the measure of life. Our students are equipped to exceed expectations and go on to make their mark in the world, through scholarship, leadership and service.



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Texas Water Development Board adopts 2017 State Water Plan

AUSTIN - (May 19, 2016) - The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) today unanimously voted to adopt the 2017 State Water Plan.

"The new state water plan projects that Texas' population will increase more than 70 percent by the year 2070," said TWDB Board Chairman Bech Bruun, "and the 2017 State Water Plan is our most comprehensive effort to date to ensure we adequately address the water needs of our growing population. The plan contains more than 5,500 strategies that help us conserve the water we have while also creating additional water supplies."

Conservation strategies are by far the most frequently recommended strategy in the plan, accounting for over one quarter of strategy supplies in 2070.

"In addition to conservation, communities across Texas developed other innovative solutions to ensure they have adequate water supplies in the future," said TWDB Board Member Kathleen

Jackson. "Aquifer storage and recovery and direct potable reuse, in particular, increased significantly in this plan compared to the 2012 State Water Plan. These increases demonstrate the state's commitment to exploring a variety of strategies to meet the state's long-term water demands, including those that rely on the advancements of innovative technology."

The capital costs associated with implementing the 2017 State Water Plan are \$62.6 billion, with water providers estimating they will need about \$36.1 billion in state assistance. Projects included in the 2017 State Water Plan are eligible to apply for the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas (SWIFT), the TWDB's loan program specifically created for projects in the state water plan.

"Water is essential to the economic engine of Texas," said TWDB Board Member Peter Lake. "If a severe drought occurs in the next four years and the state does not have sufficient water supplies, the

economic impact could be a loss of 424,000 jobs and \$73 billion of gross domestic product. Implementing the strategies in this state water plan is a critical financial investment in our state's future."

The TWDB produces a new state water plan every five years. The plan is based on 16 regional water plans developed by regional water planning groups. The 2017 State Water Plan will be submitted to the governor, lieutenant governor, and the Texas Legislature by January 2017.

The TWDB is the state agency charged with collecting and disseminating water-related data, assisting with regional planning and preparing the state water plan for the development of the state's water resources. The TWDB administers cost-effective financial assistance programs for the construction of water supply, wastewater treatment, flood control, and agricultural water conservation projects.

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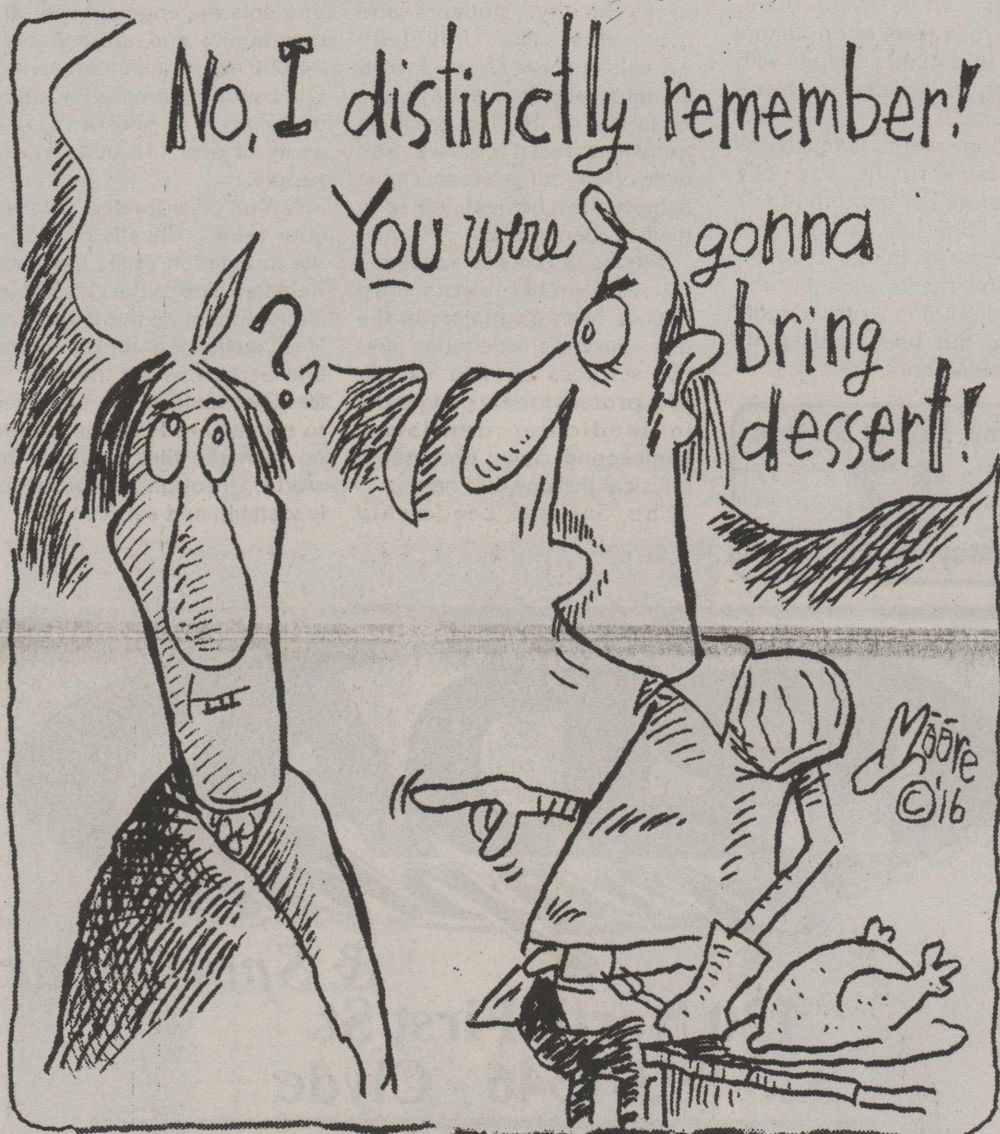
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MOORE TEXAS

by Roger Todd Moore

May 23, 1541: Coronado was so happy to encounter friendly Indians in Texas that he ordered our first THANKSGIVING celebration....the natives came too!



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Sheriff's Corner by Sheriff Terry Joy

The Old Jail Did it Again

On Thursday, May 19, 2016 at approximately 3:00 pm. the doors of the Callahan County Jail were opened for a visitor, a surprise visitor! The visitor was a jail inspector for the Texas Jail Commission out of Austin. He caught the entire Sheriff's Department by surprise.

The first thing he inspected was the two new front and back metal jail security doors.

He then inspected all the jail cells, the generator system and then all of the reports and paper work.

Callahan County Jail Administrator Julie Lemon was stressed by all this activity...But NEVER let it show! What is the old Cowboy's saying?? "Never let them see you sweat!!" She was totally cool under all the pressure!

When the jail inspector announced that the Callahan County Jail had passed yet another inspection, everyone in the Sheriff's Department gave a collective sigh of relief!

Once again this 118 year old historic jail has been given approval to continue operating for another year.

Gains & Losses at the Sheriff's Office

Brian Campbell, former Sheriff's Office Deputy and Clyde Police Officer, has resigned from active duty and moved to Ft. Worth to live with his mother and be closer to his doctor and the treatment center. We ask you to continue to remember Brian in your thoughts and prayers in his gallant battle with cancer.

Former Callahan County Deputy, Jacob Stennett has now rejoined the Sheriff's Department and is stationed

in the Cross Plains area. The Sheriff's Department is glad to have Jacob, back on the job, as a deputy and trust that he will serve the citizens of the Cross Plains area and Callahan County well. It is also believed that he will help bring effective law enforcement throughout Callahan County.

Brandy Cauble, dispatcher/jailer has resigned from our ranks to enter the "free enterprise market."

Brandy believes in exercise and healthy living; "she feels the need for speed" she was able to make her "up and down the stairs" routine checks on the inmates, in less than the time allotted.

Brandy Cauble and her friend Keri Windham Davis are now exercising their speed, talent and abilities in a new way. They are partners in the new "Callahan Land and Cattle Company" Restaurant on Market Street in downtown Baird.

All their friends here at the Callahan County Sheriff's Department wish them well in this new undertaking.

Kaylee Voights has been advanced from part-time employment, to the position of full-time dispatcher/jailer. Kaylee joined the Department months ago and has proven to be an asset to our ranks. Kaylee and her family make their home here in Baird.

Taylor Savell is one of our new dispatcher/jailers. Taylor wants to work toward becoming a law enforcement officer someday.

The Sheriff's Office is currently seeking a part-time dispatcher/jailer to fill the vacancy created when Kaylee Voights was advanced to fulltime.

American Legion at Baird to Host Veterans May 30, 2016

The American Legion Post 82 of Baird will conduct a Memorial Day Service at Ross Cemetery in Baird at 1:00 o'clock pm on Monday, May 30, 2016.

During the Commemorative Service, Flags will be placed, on all Veterans graves.

Following the Cemetery

Service the Post will be "Open to the Public" for all to enjoy a fantastic Brisket Dinner with all the trimmings.

Please come out and pay your respects to our Veterans, both past and present!

In case of inclement weather all Services and the meal will be cancelled.

Master of Memory Series Begins Thursday, June 16th

Many people believe that memory loss and aging go hand-in-hand: as a person gets older his or her memory begins to fail. While some change may be expected as you age, that doesn't mean you can't do something about it, in the absence of a brain disease, such as Alzheimer's Disease - you can be proactive in using some strategies and lifestyle adaptations.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Taylor County will be offering Master of Memory, a two part series, that will help you understand how your memory works and what may affect your memory.

Medical conditions, medications, diet and exercise, among other things, may all play a role in how your memory works. Master of Memory will also help you identify and use strategies to improve your memory function.

Part 1 of the series will be held

on Thursday, June 16 with Part 2 scheduled the following week, Thursday, June 23. Participants may choose to attend either the morning sessions from 9:30 a.m. - Noon, or the evening sessions from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Classes will be held at the Taylor County Extension Office located at 1982 Lytle Way in Abilene.

Cost of the two part series is \$10 per person. To participate, you must pre-register by June 10 by calling the Taylor County Extension Office at (325) 672-6048.

Better Breathers Club

The Better Breathers Club sponsored by the America Lung Association and Brownwood Regional Medical Center meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Learn about your lungs and a better way to live.

Meetings are at the Brownwood Regional Medical Center, Classroom 1. You may contact either Anne Winklemann or Helen Hutchins at 325-641-2960 for more information. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

Weight Watchers meets every Thursday in Baird

Weight Watchers Beyond the Scale Plan focuses on you being the best you've ever been. Come See what Weight Watchers has to offer to help you be the healthiest you can be.

Weight Watchers meets every Thursday at 5:00 p.m. at 401 Chestnut in Baird. Contact Sharon Ward at swardww@aol.com or just drop by! They would love to see you and help you lose weight, get healthier and live happier!

Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

Cottonwood Baptist Church will be having a garage sale the first weekend in June. All the proceeds from the sale will help fund our two mission teams. Team Romania consists of Mindy Estes Porcious Potter William Meador Kelly Guyon Kaitlyn Potter and Kelli Bennett. Team Haiti members are Thomas Estes Bailey Richardson Estes April Cowan Hannah Cowan Christine Woodard and Loralei Woodard.

If you have any items that you would like to donate to the sale please contact Mindy Estes or

one of the other team members and we will pick up your items.

There's no Cottonwood Musical this month. The musicals will resume next month on Friday, June 24.

Billy Woodard, son of Erik and Christine Woodard, who will graduate on Friday night, will compete in the State Band Competition on Memorial Day. Billy plays the Marimba.

The bum ban is OFF. You need to call the Sheriff's Office and let them know you are doing a control burn. Their number 325-854-1444.

Flood Awareness Week proclaimed in Texas

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Flooding and flash flooding have threatened Texans' safety, property and occupations throughout our history and can occur any time of the year. In just the past two years, our state has seen flood events of extraordinary levels. As we approach the first anniversary of the tragic flooding of Memorial Day weekend in 2015, and after last month's storms, it is imperative that

Texans unite and prepare for potentially sudden and violent acts of Mother Nature. Flash flooding is the No. 1 cause of weather-related damage, and sadly, Texas often leads the nation in flood-related deaths, many of which are preventable.

While dangerous floods and flash floods are possible throughout the year, they often have a higher frequency during spring and summer thunderstorms, tropical storms and hurricanes. Intense rainfall or slow-moving storms that track over the same areas can cause a rapid rise of water, and flash floods can develop within minutes.


It is crucial that Texans understand and respect the power of water. Planning and preparing are the keys to reducing loss of life and property. Texans should be familiar with the implications of flood watches and warnings, assemble a "preparedness kit" of supplies, develop a communication strategy for reaching friends and family members in case of emergency and designate a meeting place in case of evacuation.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to be informed and prepared for floods and flash floods and to be mindful of signs and barriers warning of flood dangers. Always "Turn Around, Don't Drown" - you could save your life or the life of a loved one.

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim May 23-27, 2016, to be Flood Awareness Week in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this 6th day of May, 2016.

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Governor of Texas



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ACROSS

- TX "Dandy Don" was an original on "Monday Night Football"
- foam clog
- TX "Tony" boots
- "Pudge" Rodriguez who started career with the Rangers
- TX Noble Willingham was in 1992 film "Of Mice and Men"
- golf score attempt
- Houston: "City"
- berrylike
- TXism: "best I ever wrapped a lip"
- TXism: "delicious"
- TXism: "I ziggled when I have zagged"
- this Ritchie managed noted TX "JA Ranch" (1935-93)
- TX dessert: pie
- the TX "Babe": Mildred Didrikson Zaharias
- watermelon spitable
- former Jasper Co. town that was its founder's name, spelled backwards
- TXism: "nary a soul"
- Carter's "Fort Worth Star Telegram"
- TXism: "raise"
- (celebrate)
- TXism: "as much chance as"
- "packing plant"
- TXism: "at 'em juice" (coffee)
- TXism: "it'll melt the" your molars" (hot chili)
- this Larry was "Texas Jack" in 1965 comedy "The Great Race"
- it up"
- retentive"
- TX Nimitz presided over Japanese surrender in "Bay" (1945)
- TX Ron, "Tarzan"
- "Hill Country Natural"
- Denver, TX
- TXism: "sticks like tar"
- "Stop"
- San Antonio comfy shoemaker
- TX Tommy Nobis' pro football team
- River
- Mr. Houston district attorney
- TXism: "loop man" (good roper)
- TXism: "as a bug's ear"
- OK town
- rank of TX hero James Fannin (abbr.)
- Leon, TX
- Jones' state before the Cowboys (abbr.)
- TXism: "shooter" (small handgun)
- actress Thompson of "Primary Colors" with TX Larry Hagman
- bedroom storage
- "Bum" Phillips book: "He Bum" (1979)
- first half of the Bible (abbr.)
- "good boy"
- dir. to Denton from Azle
- TX McConaughey's "We Marshall"
- this Cockrell was 1st female mayor of San Antonio
- ear and out the other"
- TXism: "bought a pig in"
- TXism: "soul" (no one)
- a retail brand for TX Humble Oil, which eventually became Exxon
- TX prison mafia: "La"
- TX "Eagle," Henley (init.)
- Hill Country hunting location: "Ranch"
- dog command
- where some TXns ski in NM

DOWN

- TXism: "does a cat have" (yes)
- TXism: "a rodeo clown"
- Chief"
- newspaper
- look quickly
- Newman of TX-based "Hud" (1963)

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Junior class tours REH Museum

The yellow school bus pulled up to the Museum last Thursday and 16 Juniors piled off for a tour of the small white house where so many stories and poems had been hammered out on the old Underwood typewriter. Mrs. Austin and her American Literature class had been studying Robert Howard as an innovative Texas writer and the visit was the culmination of the week.

Moving directly into the living room, they found themselves surrounded by Howard's personal books on one side of the room and his father's books on the other side. It soon became apparent that Howard had grown up in a world of words, but as Project Pride member Arlene Stephenson explained, Howard was not especially fond of school. The only subjects that got him excited were history and English and the two played a very major and obvious role in his success as a writer.

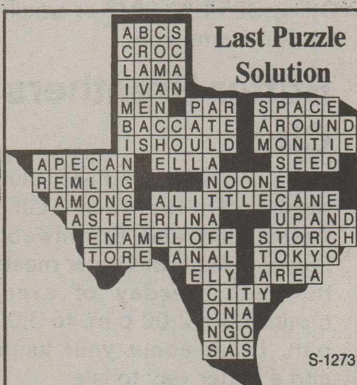
In discussing Howard's high school and college days, Stephenson explained how, as a young teen-ager, Howard knew he wanted to be a writer and confidently overcame many obstacles in his path to achieve his dream.

from many of Howard's various genres and shared reactions to the readings. One or two students found they could relate to each of Howard's stories in various ways. Perhaps the most surprising revelation of his talents came after the students had read about Conan and other fantasy characters when Mrs. Austin read one of his poems. "Two Men" is a conversation between two men standing by the road as Christ drags his cross along the road in front of them towards his crucifixion. The diversity between the two extremes was pretty hard to believe.

Stephenson also shared that a couple of the scholars who will be here for the June 10-11 annual Robert E. Howard Days are working on their doctorates in some aspects of Howard studies. Patrice from France and Dierk from Japan are in friendly competition to see who gets their degree first. These two will be joined by Dierk's wife, Chie, Chazyk from MI and our own Barbara Baum reading verses from Howard's most popular poem in different languages on the front steps of the Museum just a few feet from where the poem was written back in the 1930's.

students moved throughout the museum at their own pace until the call came for a photo op on the front porch of the Museum. Fresh donuts in the pavilion rounded out this year's visit to the home of Cross Plains' most famous person.

Project Pride is excited to see the collaboration with the school growing each year as teachers see the museum as a resource that can enhance several units of study.



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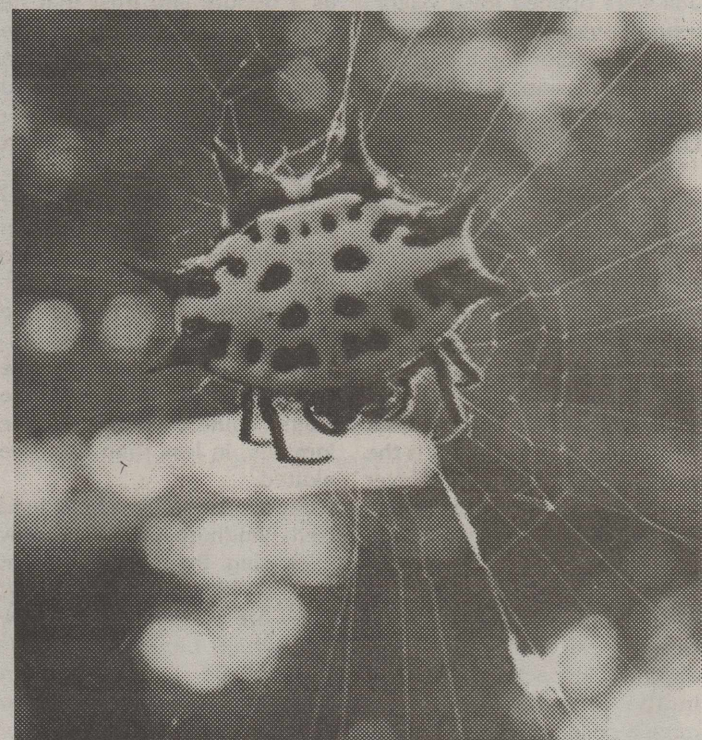
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Spiny-backed Orbweaver

The family of spiders known as "orbweavers" (family Araneidae) contains several species that are variable in color and shape. But even despite all of the diversity in appearance, there is one family member that is so distinctive that it stands alone in its uniqueness.

The Spiny-backed Orbweaver (*Gasteracantha cancriformis*) is one of dozens of species of the genus that can be observed almost world-wide. It is considerably common throughout the eastern one-third (1/3) of the United States, from Florida up through the Carolinas. There is a large gap in distribution as it also occurs along the west coast from California northward to southern Oregon. It also occurs throughout Mexico. It prefers wooded areas, therefore it is typically seen only in the tree-dense areas of eastern Texas. However, occasionally individuals are found in western Texas.

Spiny-backed Orbweavers are relatively diminutive arachnids with a body and carapace length of just under one-half (1/2) inch. As with all other members of the orbweaver family (Araneidae), males are smaller than females. Like other arachnids, this species has two body parts: the front body region (known as the cephalothorax) that contains the eight eyes, eight legs and mouthparts (known as the chelicerae) and the abdomen. The carapace (the outer covering of the cephalothorax) is dark brown or black, with no markings. The abdomen is the most distinctive trait of this unusual looking species, ranging in color from yellow to white to red. There are several black spots on the abdomen, and when observed closely, these spots appear to be arranged in the shape of a face (2 eyes, 2 nostrils, a mouth, and a uni-brow). Unlike other "orbweavers" that have portly and soft abdomens, this variety has a hard carapace that is adorned with six red-pointed, triangular-shaped spines. The underside of the unique abdomen is black



Spiny-backed Orbweaver (*Gasteracantha cancriformis*)

and is often ornamented with four circular yellow spots. The black legs are long and spindly, with fairly noticeable hairs and jointed structures.

Like most of the spiders of this family, the Spiny-backed Orbweaver constructs an intricate web that can extend from the ground up to nearly six feet. This elaborate web is more often than not spun in the shape of an orb, and the spider will frequently remain in the center, awaiting prey to become ensnared. These prey items, once ensnared in the sticky web, are wrapped in a cocoon by the spider to be fed on at a later time. The primary food source for this spider is not moths and butterflies as one might suspect, but rather flies and other small, flying invertebrate creatures.

The Spiny-backed Orbweaver, like most other members of this family, have very poor eyesight, despite the number of eyes. It relies primarily upon vibration to sense prey or potential threats. Centered in the complex web, it can detect when a prey item

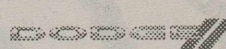
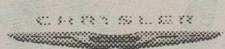
touches the trap by the vibrations that the potential meal makes. By the same token, it can detect when a much larger animal (such as humans) comes in contact with the web, and the spider will then react in a way as to avoid contact with a potential predator. It can be quite interesting to observe this behavior when you encounter an orbweaver. Take your finger (or a small stick if you are afraid of spiders!) and gently touch the web and watch the spider rush out in anticipation of a meal.

While many people who suffer from arachnophobia desire to remove any and all spiders from near their residences, this species is so recognizable from more dangerous spiders that it is often afforded protection from wanton killing. This harmless spider is actually quite beneficial as it feeds on flying pests such as flies and mosquitoes.

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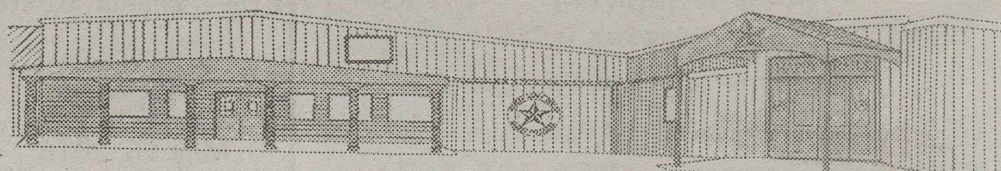
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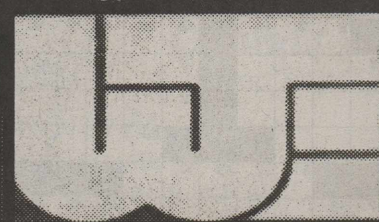
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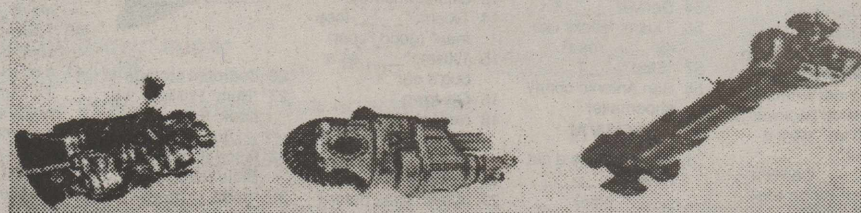
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