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County has large drug problem



ICE CASTLE INVESTIGATION - Methamphetamine is a dangerous drug, and Colorado City has become a hub for the distribution of meth, according to D.A. Investigator Billy Sides. The recent arrests of 16 people have slowed the meth trade, but it has not been stopped.

District Attorney Investigator Billy Sides presented the program at the Lions Club, informing those attending of an alarming but true issue facing Colorado City, Mitchell County and the surrounding area. An investigation, dubbed the "Ice Castle Investigation", has recently brought to light a "huge methamphetamine problem" that is ongoing.

Sides said that 16 people have been arrested and charged with conspiracy of manufacture/delivery of methamphetamine over 500 grams. He said that the unraveling of a distribution ring started with a simple traffic stop of a female who was seen leaving the Colorado City Apartments complex.

The lady was in possession of 34 grams of methamphetamine often referred to as crystal meth. Besides seizing the drug, investigators also seized the individual's cellphone which proved to be useful in

furthering the investigation.

Sides said that all photos taken with cellphones leave an image imprint, as well as a GPS imprint that provides information about the photo such as exactly where and when it was taken. Law enforcement officials used information obtained from the woman's cellphone to find out more about the origin of the meth.

Accessing cellphone data, police learned

that distribution of the meth could be directly tied back to a Mexican cartel. Sides said that a photo on the phone of a 2.2 pound block of meth showed that it was taken at the Holiday Inn Express in Eastland. After acquiring security tapes from the hotel, investigators saw a cartel member with a Colorado City citizen.

The photo was one of a series of leads investigators used to obtain federal indict-

ments against the 16 individuals, 11 of whom are from Mitchell County and the other five from the Dallas area and Big Spring. Though the people have been charged, Sides said that all are innocent until proven guilty. Those arrested have two options: to plea out or choose to go to trial which is set for the first week in April.

According to Sides, the meth problem here and in the surrounding area is at epic proportions. "I've been an officer for 16 years, and I've never seen it this bad," he said.

The 16 arrests slowed the meth trade for a short while, but Sides said that there are already other people stepping up to take the place of those taken off the street. He said that the investigation is continuing.

Sides said that modern technology, like the internet, actually aids investigators. Sometimes, dealers and users post

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Answerline

Q: What is the web site address of the Midland National Weather Service?

A: www.nws.gov/mid

Briefs

Career Day

Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas representatives are looking for companies and groups interested in sponsoring a booth at Career Day on March 25th in the CHS gym. Students from Colorado City and Westbrook will be attending the event. Anyone interested can call Carolyn Jergins at 325-795-4327.

Mitchell County Baseball
The Mitchell County Baseball Association will have two more sign-ups on Thursday at the Sports Complex at 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Friday 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. If you have not played before you need to bring a copy of your birth certificate. All coaches from last year need to bring their equipment.

Opening Ceremonies
Opening ceremonies for the Mitchell County Girls Softball Association will be held Monday, March 24, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the softball field in Road-dick Park.

Book Fair
Kelley Elementary is host for library Kelley Elementary will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair from March 23-27. Family night will take place on Thursday evening, March 27, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Kelley Cafeteria.

Astronomy Party
An Astronomy party will be held on Friday, April 4th and Saturday, April 5th at the Road-dick Park Pavilion beginning around dusk each evening. Everyone encouraged to attend and point out any objects in the sky.

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Hailey Dunn remains discovered one year ago

March 16th marked the one-year anniversary of remains found at Lake J.B. Thomas that were later identified as being those of missing teenager Hailey Dunn of Colorado City. Unfortunately, no arrests have been made in the case.

A petition, circulated on the internet by Michele Gouveia Allen, was recently printed out and sent to Sheriff Trey Wilson of the Scurry County Sheriff's Department. Scurry County became involved in the case because the remains were found south of Snyder, about 20 miles from Hailey's home.

The signatures were collected on the petition website Change.org. The same letter and petition were also sent to the Colorado City Record.

In the letter attached to the petition, Allen urges Sheriff Wilson to make an arrest in the case and release Hailey's remains to her mother and father, Billie Dunn and Clint Dunn. Over 700 signatures are on the petition, however, only a handful of Mitchell County residents signed the document.

Along with the letter and petition, pages of comments made by people online were submitted to the sheriff. Billie Dunn, Hailey's

mother, signed the petition on October 18, 2013 and left this comment, "To take a murderer off the streets, and get my daughter back once and for all."

According to Katy Chaumont of the FBI, the joint investigation remains open and active and is being investigated by members of the Scurry County Sheriff's Office, Mitchell County Sheriff's Office, Colorado City Police Department, Texas Rangers and the FBI.

As most already know, Hailey was 13 years old when she was reported missing from her home on December 27, 2010. The case took on a sinister tone when Billie's boyfriend, Shawn Adkins, was named a person of interest in the case.

Both Billie and Shawn took and failed polygraph tests administered at the Colorado City Police Station. At that time, there

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Hailey Dunn

Farm Bureau "Ag Day" to be held

The board of directors of the Mitchell County Farm Bureau want to do something special, out-of-the-ordinary to teach local kids about the importance of agriculture and how it affects their everyday lives. The group has planned the first-ever Mitchell County Ag Day to be held March 25th, and 4th graders from the three county schools will have a chance to learn about agriculture first hand.

Students from Colorado City, Westbrook and Loraine will travel to the county fairgrounds to participate in Ag Day, where they will see demonstrations of all kinds of farm equipment. There will be a tractor, cotton stripper and sprayer on display, and educational information will be provided by board members.

A cow, a goat and a sheep will also be on hand, and students will learn where food and lots of other products originate. "They need to know that milk isn't manufactured at the grocery store," Farm Bureau Director Dan Morgan said.

Colorado City native Na- See AG DAY, page 5

Casares nominated for Trooper of the Year

Texas Department of Public Safety State Trooper Frank Casares has been nominated as one of four finalists for the 2013 International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)/Motorola Trooper of the Year Award. He will join award winners from the other regions at a banquet in Louisiana this weekend.

Casares was nominated for the national award by his peers and directors from all 50 states voted to select award winners.

"I was very happy to be nominated," he said Tuesday. "I'm pretty much speechless."

He said he will fly out Thursday to attend the award banquet which

Frank Casares

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C-Court continues work on Reinvestment Zone

The Mitchell County Commissioners met last week to approve a County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CETRZ) and complete paperwork to apply for grant funding from the state. County Judge Ray Mayo said that all components of the application have been completed and were submitted in Austin on Thursday.

One of the requirements was the submission of a project list, on which commissioners listed roads in need of repair, as well as other projects. Like the county's

Austin law firm suggested, court members drew up the list to exceed the \$1.3 million currently earmarked for Mitchell County in hopes of more funding becoming available in the future.

Mayo said that the actual zone was created and encompasses a small area of land north of Westbrook. Projects from all areas of the county can be funded with the grant money, regardless of the location of the reinvestment zone.

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Banks death leaves void in community

Colorado City will be forever changed and the community will suffer from the recent loss of Bobbie Banks, who passed away last Wednesday morning in a Lubbock hospital. While family members and friends will surely miss Bobbie the most, the entire community will find it hard to fill the void left by her death.

Bobbie Bender Banks was born on March 23, 1944, in Sylvarena, Mississippi to A.B. and Christine Bender. She married Russell Banks in Reno, Nevada, in 1978. She was a member of Mt. Rose Baptist Church in Sweetwater.

She returned from California to live in Colorado City in 1999 and became very active in the community she loved dearly. Bobbie was elected to the Mitchell County Hospital Board of Directors in 2002, serving as secretary in 2003 and president in 2005. She continued to serve in that capacity until she resigned in 2011. Bobbie was also a board member of the Texas Hospitals Trustees Board.



Bobbie Banks

One might think that nine years of service qualifies a volunteer for a break, but not Bobbie. She only resigned from the hospital board to take her place on the city council of the City of Colorado City. She served as a councilwoman for District 4 for almost one year, before returning to the hospital board. She was reappointed to the MCHD board on January 15, 2013.

Hospital CEO Robbie Dewberry said that he has been in hospital administration for 25 years, and he has been blessed to work for some fantastic boards. He said that this board has been exceptional and credits Bobbie for much of the success that's been

achieved so far.

"Through Bobbie's leadership, the hospital has prospered," Dewberry said. "She was an extraordinary board member and an extraordinary person. She was a super, super nice person. Once she met you, she never forgot you."

Bobbie served in other areas as well, actively participating in other service groups such as Keep Colorado City Beautiful, the Heart of West Texas Museum board, and the Friends of the Library. She worked tirelessly for the city she loved and will be remembered for her dedicated service and enthusiastic volunteerism which garnered her the honor of being named Citizen of the Year.

City National Bank President Royce Clay said he remembers talking to Bobbie on the phone, even before she and her husband, Russell, moved back here. After a

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LOCAL NEWS



MASTER CRAFTSMAN – Lucille Clinkinbeard was one of several vendors at last weekend's Railroad Trade Days. Vendors said a lack of advertising may have been partially responsible for the low shopper turnout at the bi-annual event.

Astronomy Party planned for Ruddick Park in April

Orand Carroll, astronomy enthusiast, has planned an event for all the star gazers in the community. An Astronomy Party will be held on Friday, April 4, and Saturday, April 5, at the Ruddick Park Pavilion beginning around dusk each evening.

Carroll said he plans to feature the moon at the party, educating those attending on the moon and how it affects our lives. Jupiter, M42 in Orion and Mizar-Alcor should also be visible at that time, giving star gazers much to see.

Everyone with a telescope is encouraged to attend and point out any of the other objects in the sky. Carroll said he welcomes all amateur astronomers and hopes someone will step forward with more information about what can be seen this time of year.

Arrangements have been made through the city to have the pavilion lit, as well as the restrooms, making the event convenient for all to attend. There is no charge, and everyone is encouraged to come out, enjoy the park and take a look at the objects that are right overhead but rarely noticed. For more information, please contact Carroll by calling 432-466-4565.

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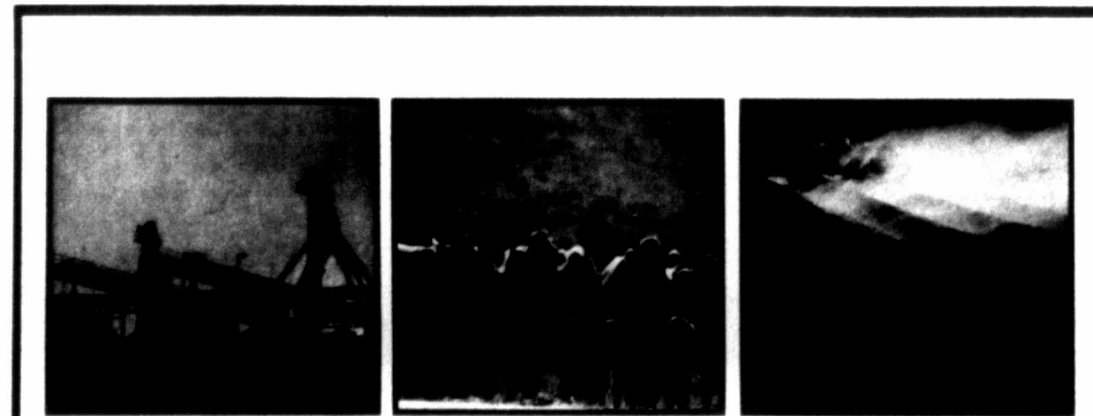
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OBITUARIES

Bobbie Jo Banks 1944-2014

COLORADO CITY—Mrs. Bobbie Jo Banks, age 69, passed away at a Lubbock hospital on March 11, 2014. The memorial service was held on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church with Reverend Tommy Jackson officiating.

Bobbie was born on March 23, 1944 in Sylva, MS to A.B. and Christine Bender. Bobbie married Russell Banks on October 16, 1978 in Reno, NV. She was a member of Mt. Rose Baptist Church in Sweetwater, TX.

Those left to cherish Bobbie's memory are her husband, Russell Banks; daughters, Dona Murphy of San Jose, CA, and Traci Banks of Fort Worth; sons, Marcus Stanford of Palestine, Allen Stanford and wife Jacki of Loraine, and Chris Lundy of San Jose, CA; 15 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and her sister, Maudie Johnson and husband Connie of Topeka, KS.

She is preceded in death by her parents, A.B. and Christine Bender; daughter, Vonda Stanford; sisters, Lee Verdia Jones, Mac Lillian Pierce, and Billie Ollins; and three brothers, Dewitt Bender, Herman Bender, and Howard Bender.

Online condolences to the family may be made at www.kikerseale.com.



Hale and Jazzy Hale.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Emerson and Doris Garrett and one brother, Tom Garrett.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com

Altie Lee 1925-2014

BIG SPRING—Altie Lee, 88, died quietly in her home Sunday, March 16, 2014. Altie was born April 2, 1925 in Mt. Pleasant to John Henry Cherry and Georgia Mellisa Cherry.

Altie married Arnold Lee April 24, 1948 in Colorado City.

She is survived by her children, Mary Farmer, Ivy Carrigan and Henry Lee; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; eight brothers; sisters; a grandson; a great-grandson; and a granddaughter-in-law.

She devoted her life to her family and will be dearly missed by all who knew her. She was a homemaker, an avid gardener, loved to sew and loved working alongside her husband on various projects.

A private family graveside ceremony will be held in Colorado City.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com.

Jerry Emerson Garrett 1935-2014

FORSAN—Jerry Emerson Garrett, 78, was born September 15, 1935 to Emerson and Doris Garrett in Prescott, Arkansas. He went home to be with the Lord March 15, 2014 after a brief illness.

Memorial services were held at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

Jerry married Marie Free August 2, 1958 in Colorado City. They have resided in Forsan for the past 54 years.

He worked in the oilfield for over 50 years. His dedication, work ethic, and loyalty to the oil field were directly tied to his dedication, loyalty, and love of his family.

He is survived by his wife, Marie Garrett of Forsan; one son, Kelly Garrett and wife, Shelley of Big Spring; one daughter, Cindy Wilson and husband, Loren of Forsan; two brothers, Willie Garrett and wife, Mildred, and Mack Garrett, all of Colorado City; four sisters, Jo Nell Pilkington, Rachael Winn and Carolyn Maberry, all of Colorado City; and June Hickson and husband, Harlin of Loraine; one sister-in-law, Maria Garrett of Hobbs, New Mexico; four grandchildren, Kyle Hale, Brea Wilson, Morgan Garrett and Erica Garrett; and two great-grandchildren, Reese



Nora Massingill 1918-2014

COLORADO CITY—Mrs. Nora Massingill, age 95, died Saturday in a San Angelo care center. Services were held Tuesday, March 18, 2014 in the Kiker-Seale Chapel with Richard Levesque officiating. Burial followed in the Westbrook Cemetery under the care and direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Massingill was born June 29, 1918 in Coryell County to Robert and Melissa Bush Moore and had been a resident of Mitchell County since 1956. She married Travis J. Massingill on September 9, 1933 in Gatesville. He preceded her in death on October 15, 1978. She was a homemaker and a member of the Jehovah's Witness religious community in Colorado City. She is much loved by her family and friends and will be greatly missed.

She is survived by a daughter, "Boogie" Edna Ruth Thurman of Colorado City; two sons, Travis Dale Massingill of Colorado City and Melvin Jay Massingill of San Angelo; 22 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by five children, Doyle Weldon Massingill, David Kenneth Massingill, Don Roscoe Massingill, Howard Albert Massingill and Tina Joan Turner; two brothers, T. J. and Robert; and by seven sisters, Minnie, Zadie, Lily Bell, Myrtle, Dora, Bill and Jewell.

The family received friends Monday, March 17, 2014 at the funeral home.

Oilfield related issues to be discussed at SBDC

The Angelo State University Small Business Development Center (SBDC) will co-host a conference on oilfield-related issues for small businesses on Tuesday, April 8, at the LeGrand Alumni and Visitors Center, 1620 University Ave.

The conference is titled "Doing Business in the Oilfield: Where Does Your Small Business Fit?" and will run from 1:30-5 p.m. April 8. Guest speakers will include Luke Legate of the Joint Oil and Gas Education As-

sociation; Randy Gill, area manager of FIML Natural Resources LLC, Ozona; Jeff Johnson, CEO of Dixie Electric; James Jones of the Del Mar College SBDC; and Gil Gonzales, director of the Rural Business Program at the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Topics will include:
• New developments in local oilfield production
• The oil and gas supply chain
• Reaching supply chain buyers: What services are needed?
• Approaching and qualifying

to do business with the oilfield

- Master service agreements
- Resources
- Question and answer panel

Cost of the conference is \$15 per person and includes refreshments. Advance registration is required. To register and pay online, go to www.sbdco.angelo.edu. To register and pay by phone, call the SBDC at 325-942-2098.

For more information, contact Dezaray Johnson in the Angelo State SBDC at 325-942-2098 or dezarayjohnson@angelo.edu.

TxDOT public meetings scheduled

The Texas Department of Transportation will host a series of public meetings in late March and early April to encourage public comments on the FY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Abilene District.

A TIP is a capital improvement program developed by local and state transportation agencies. It includes a list of transportation projects that are drawn from a long-range statewide plan. The TIP serves as a short-term programming document that lists approximately four years of funded

transportation projects.

The Abilene District includes Kent, Stonewall, Haskell, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Taylor and Callahan Counties. Meetings for the district will be hosted at the following times and locations:

- 6:30-7:30 p.m. April 1: Aztec Theater, 141 S. Main Street, Abilene, Texas 76430
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. April 3: Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive, Big Spring, Texas 79720
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. April 8: United

Way Building, 2311 Avenue T, Snyder, Texas 79549

Those who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Kristi Barron at (325) 676-6811 two weeks prior to the meeting.

Written comments may be submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation, Attention Blair Haynie, P.E., 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas 79601, or by email at Blair.Haynie@txdot.gov. To be considered, comments must be submitted by 5 p.m. Friday, April 18, 2014.

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Siemens, Rich complete fireman certification

Two members of the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department attended Introductory Firefighter Academy classes in area towns to complete their certification as firefighters. Curtis Siemens and Misty Rich began the course in January and have recently graduated.

As certified firemen, the two can legally fight fires and perform search and rescues. "We can now legally go in and save you from a burning building," Siemens said last week.

Classes held in Merkel, Abilene, Clyde, Anson, Stamford and Colorado City covered several areas of instruction, includ-

ing search and rescue, equipment use, and use of ladders in fighting fires. The volunteers were able to take a hands-on approach to fire fighting in Abilene, as the facility had a "burn house" on the premises.

Rich and Siemens practiced crawling through small spaces in full firefighting gear, as well as rescuing a dummy without the use of their sight. After each class, the rookies were subjected to exams which they had to pass to advance.

"The masks and tanks take some getting used to," Siemens said, adding that not everyone was able to complete the course.

A high percentage of firemen in Texas are volunteers, and all had to pass the training to become certified firefighters.

"The instructors were great," Rich said, adding that most of them teach at the Texas A&M University Fire Academy on a full-time basis.

One of the steps Rich and Siemens had to learn was how to save their own life. Only living rescuers are effective in saving others.

The addition of the two new firefighters brings the total of volunteer firemen to 25 on the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department.



LEARNING THE ROPES - Curtis Siemens attended six-weeks of classes to complete his training for the Texas Fire Academy. Part of the training included crawling through small spaces blindfolded in full equipment. Photo courtesy of Rick Goodney.



FIREFIGHTING IS FOR GIRLS TOO! Misty Rich recently completed training to officially become a volunteer firefighter. Rich crawled through small spaces wearing air tanks and other equipment to simulate what firefighters may experience in smoke-filled structures. Photo courtesy of Rick Goodney.

National Ag Day recognizes hardworking farmers, ranchers

USDA Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Judith A. Canales, encourages everyone to take a moment to appreciate the hard working farmers and ranchers in Texas on March 25, National Ag Day. This year's theme is "Agriculture: 365 Sunrises and 7 Billion Mouths to Feed."

USDA is proud to stand behind the producers who rise before dawn 365 days a year in order to put food on the table for 7 billion people.

"We recognize the importance of agriculture and hope that the recent passage of a new Farm Bill is a sign that 2014 will be a banner year for the industry," said Canales. There is no better way to show our support for farmers and ranchers than to begin implementing a new Farm Bill - legislation that will provide farm-

ers, ranchers and consumers alike supportive results.

While the American economy is rebounding and gaining strength, the agricultural economy has remained strong and at its best. Looking ahead, the U.S. has seen a trend towards aging farmers; however, according to the recent Census of Agriculture, the nation is beginning to reverse that trend. There is an increase in the number of farmers under the age of 35.

And although the agriculture industry promises a bright future, many farmers and ranchers are still recovering from natural disasters that occurred this year, including the continuing drought. Fortunately, these producers were still able to grow the commodities that Americans rely on in order to remain a food-secure nation. Our farmers and ranchers have also continued their legacy of protecting natural resources and environmentally sensitive land through the use of conservation programs.

Please join FSA in celebrating America's farmers and ranchers - a selfless group of individuals

who make up less than two percent of the world's population. They feed our country and make our nation secure. And, they supply quality foods to the rest of the world's seven billion people.

From the clothes we wear, the foods we eat, the fuel we burn and the agricultural byproducts we use daily, American agriculture adds to the quality of our lives.

None of the contributions of U.S. farmers and ranchers should be taken for granted, because no one can live without agriculture.

Ag Day is a project of the Agriculture Council of America. For further Ag Day information and events visit www.agday.org. For information on programs administered by FSA, please contact your local FSA office or visit us online at www.fsa.usda.gov.



A RAILHEAD CELEBRATION - Hettie Fackelman (left) celebrated her birthday at Railhead Trade Days this weekend, sharing her birthday cake with shoppers and fellow vendors at the event. She is seen here with her daughter, Laura Fackelman, who had a booth with jewelry, purses, accessories and gifts at trade days.

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OPINION & COMMENTARY

TUMBLEWEED SMITH Dick Kendall's first two cars

Dick Kendall of Pearland does standup comedy. He appears at comedy clubs, on cruise ships and in Las Vegas. He was my roommate at Baylor and we have kept up with each other since our university days. The other day I was in Houston, called Dick and we agreed to meet at Cracker Barrel in Pearland. Somehow the subject got around to cars and I told Dick, "Wouldn't it be great if we had kept all those good old cars we had when we were younger." Dick replied, "I never did own a good car when I was young."

Maybe Dick's parents are to blame. When he entered Baylor, he got involved with all sorts of campus activities and told his dad he really needed a car for a certain event. Mr. Kendall reluctantly gave Dick the use of his own car, a 1946 4-door Nash sedan. Now this was in the fifties when muscle cars were coming on the scene. Guys who drove them got lots of dates. Dick was driving the Nash up a hill, poking along and his passenger said, "Why don't you give this thing some gas?" Dick said the accelerator was already all the way down.

The first car Dick bought at Baylor was a 1929 Model A. He paid \$27.99 for it. That's right. Twenty-seven dollars and ninety-nine cents. "It really got the girls," said Dick. "It had a wooden floor that originally had a rubber mat over it. The mat was long gone and one of the floorboards came out so you could watch the street go by as you drove along. I had a date one cold winter night and my date was so excited to get to wear her fur coat. She needed it because the wind came up through that hole in the floor. I never could get another date with her. Don't know why."

When Dick slowed down, the mechanical brakes squealed so loud people covered their ears. Dick was going away for a weekend just about the time the clutch went out on the old buggy. He pulled it into a metered parking place in downtown Waco, walked away and left town. When he got back, the car was gone. "I called the police and they said it was impounded because it had been left in a parking space all weekend and nobody fed the meter." The fine to get the car was \$25. Dick told the police that was nearly as much as he paid for it. He told them, "Why don't you just keep it."

Dick's next car was a big step up. It was a 1947 Buick convertible. Yellow. Full of dents and rust. "I paid ninety-nine dollars for that one," says Dick. "It had hydraulic windows that rolled up and down with the touch of a button." Dick was Big Man on Campus with that car. He drove around until he saw a crowd of people, then cruised by rolling his windows up and down. A real show-off.

Brake fluid was somehow involved with those windows and one morning Dick went out to see the windows in his car were down. Apparently there was a leak in the brake fluid line and brake fluid had pooled up underneath the back seat. Dick said it was a good thing the windows were down because you couldn't stand the smell if they were up. He doesn't know what happened to that car, but thinks it just rusted away.

"Sunshine Week" urges transparency in government business practices

By Stephanie Perez
Editor

Mitchell County citizens may be wishing for rain, but sunshine is the order of the week as Sunshine Week is being celebrated as it is each year in the middle of March. Sunshine Week was started in 2005 by the American Society of News Editors to draw attention to the need for transparency in government.

To be more specific, the Florida Society of Newspaper Editors first launched Sunshine Sunday in 2002, because some of the state's legislators were trying to create new exemptions to the state's public record laws. In June of 2003, ASNE hosted a Freedom of Information Summit in Washington D.C., giving birth to the idea of Sunshine Week.

The week reminds us all that governing bodies must conduct business which affects the public at large in a public manner, in open meetings with publicly shared information. The Freedom of Information Act helps guarantee that those in decision-making positions are accountable to those that put them there.

Citizens deserve to know who is making decisions on our behalf, how our tax dollars are being spent and about countless other decisions made in the name of public service.

We, at the *Record*, rarely have to make a formal Freedom of Information request. For the most part, local governing boards are happy to provide information to the *Record*, thus providing information to local citizens.

In my years of covering various local organizations, I have found that most public servants, paid or unpaid, perform their duties in "good faith." That is, they base their decisions on good faith that the decision they are making is the right one in the current situation.

Certain items of business need to be discussed behind closed doors, in a closed meeting, such as personnel decisions, real estate purchases and legal discussions with attorneys. However,

it is our job to ask questions and provide information to the public.

Citizens have the right to know what decisions are being made on their behalf, and it is the duty of the newspaper and other media to let the public know what is taking place, even when the answers aren't easy.

No one enjoys having their mistakes aired. I know this, because many of my mistakes appear in print, never to be erased. But it is our job to let the public know what's happening around them, and to remind those with power that they are beholden to the citizens they serve.

In the spirit of Sunshine Week, I would also like to remind citizens that it is their duty to inform themselves about the issues facing their community and area. I often say that Jim Baum and I are the most informed citizens in Mitchell County, as we cover the many meetings that take place around the county each week.

Every citizen would be doing themselves a favor if they educated themselves on the issues. I am continuously surprised by the number of people outraged when they find out that they have violated a city ordinance they never knew about. When the city council passes an ordinance, a copy of the regulation is published in the newspaper; put there to educate the public.

It is the responsibility of government to operate in a transparent manner, making decisions public. It is the responsibility of the media to report fairly on those decisions. And, finally, it is the responsibility of citizens to educate themselves on the facts and how they are affected by them.

Join the *Record* staff in celebrating Sunshine Week. We live in America, and enjoy many freedoms not available in the rest of the world. Show your appreciation of those freedoms by attending the next city council meeting, commissioners' court meeting, hospital board meeting... the list goes on. Opportunities abound to celebrate Sunshine Week.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

Two million years ago (give or take a half million) primitive men and women fanned out from camp and gathered fruit, nuts, roots, animals, honey etc. They brought this wealth back to their family. The family ate some and saved and stored some to eat on a rainy day and trade.

Today we call these and their enablers Tea Party, Capitalistic, Jeffersonian Republicans: "rich or trying to become rich."

Some primitives stayed in the comfort of a tent drinking, smoking, playing games, sleeping and having lots of sex. These voted for a chief and council (government) to take possession of all wealth and distributed 70% to the voters who elected it and 30% to the government.

Today we call these primitives and enablers democrats-rhino republicans (socialists). Eventually nobody gathered food. The chief forced everybody to gather, but nobody was very motivated.

In a hard winter they all starved except the chief and council.

Thomas Jefferson knew about this. He knew about human nature. He knew that protection of private property rights meant prosperity; that without private property famine was in America's future. He knew that parasites must have a host. He knew that "rich" is not a dirty word.

Our chief tells the "rich" "you didn't do that", "you don't need that". He is pseudo educated with an IQ lower than his body temperature. Our "camp" is in deep trouble!

Troy Powell

Letter to the Editor:

I have a new reason to shop at home.

After an early church service on Sunday, I made a stop at Fuller's to pick up things I needed for lunch. When the sack boy carried my groceries to the car, we found someone had parked at an angle, partly in the ramp area and

partly in my parking space, blocking the driver's door. The young man tried but could not get in the driver's seat so I sat on a convenient bench to wait for the other shopper to return to his/her car. After the sacker delivered six or seven more loads of groceries, more than 10 minutes later, he came out with another sacker who was skinny enough to get in the car and back it out. Thanks to those two employees I got home before the ice cream melted.

This happened after another employee had helped me find an item that was not only better than the one I looked at but also a better bargain.

Most home-town businesses have employees who care about their customers. Fullers employs many local people and I appreciate the way they take care of their customers.

It really does pay to shop at home.

Sincerely,
Shirley Delaney

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Mar. 25	Farm Bureau Ag Day	County Ag Barn
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Apr. 4	Jr. Lone Wolf Relays	Gainey Track
Apr. 4	Relay for Life	MCHD campus
Apr. 7	Diabetes Class	MCHD board room

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LOCAL NEWS

CIA applications taken, donations needed

This year, 2014, marks the 22nd anniversary of Christmas in Action, and during this time projects on hundreds of homes, including another 44 projects from last year alone have been made.

Five years ago, organizers and volunteers changed the approach from a one-day blitz in April to extending the program throughout the year. Because of that change, many local residents that have immediate needs, such as sewer, water or electrical problems, have been helped in a timely manner.

Some repairs completed last year were small and some were large, but they were all necessary and appreciated. Repairs made last year included replacing toilets, replacing sewer lines, replacing water heaters, replacing gas lines, installing rain gutters, rebuilding porches, building ramps for handicap access, installing carpet, installing and repairing sheetrock, and building safety rails among many other things.

All repairs and installations require materials, and Christmas in Action is taking donations to cover these expenses. Donations are tax deductible.

The organization also needs volunteers willing to provide help to those in need. Anyone wishing to donate or volunteer is encouraged to contact Jan Lemons at 325-242-0075.

"We strive to primarily help senior citizens or disabled citizens. However, each application is reviewed and judged on its own needs," Lemons said recently.

Members of the board of Christmas in Action are: Royce Clay, president; Jan Lemons, vice president; Glenda Wilson, treasurer; Brenda Kelly, secretary; Ellen Patton; Jimmy Moore; Shirley Delaney; Georgie Griffith; Joan Lemons and Donna Barlow.

Anyone needing the help of Christmas in Action can pick up an application at the Chamber of Commerce office, located at the Civic Center.

DRUGS

photos or status updates on social media sites like Facebook, not realizing that law enforcement can use the information to confirm their identity.

Meth users and dealers have become blatant in their exploits. Sides said that drug trading is going on every day in Colorado City, in plain sight.

Many social ills can be tracked directly back to methamphetamine use, such as theft. Meth addicts are known for stealing anything of value in order to sell the items for funds to pay for more meth. Valuables, like jewelry, tools, and electronics, are often stolen to provide for the addict's next high.

The drug activity being monitored by law enforcement agencies here extend from Big Spring

to Dallas, and according to Sides, most of it is coming from this county. Though the drugs are being distributed from Mitchell County, the meth is being manufactured in Mexico.

The product coming into Colorado City is 90 to 98% pure, compared with the 15-20% purity of meth seen in the past. Sides estimated that the drug is sold for \$50 to \$75 per gram, giving dealers a hefty profit from a small amount.

"They are bringing in pounds (of meth) on a weekly basis," he said.

While other drugs can also be found here, Sides said that meth is one of the most dangerous he's seen. He also said that users cannot be stereotyped, as people in respectable professions have been known to use the drug to help

them work long hours.

One of the side effects of methamphetamine use is weight loss and an inability to be still. Hyperactivity, inability to focus and animated behavior are also symptoms users often exhibit. Users smoke it, inject it, eat it and drink it to get high. "They take it any way they can induce it," Sides said.

Law enforcement officials have seen users ranging in age from middle school students all the way up. The burden of cost to help treat the addiction falls on taxpayers, as do increased costs from thefts.

Citizens can help law enforcement officials track down and identify potential meth dealers. Sides said that if anyone notices a large increase of traffic in and

out of a home, it could signal drug dealing. He encouraged citizens noticing anything like this to contact him through the Mitchell County Law Enforcement Center or to contact other authorities like the sheriff's office or police department.

After contacting law enforcement officials, citizens are urged to be patient. Sides said that tips help investigators, but citizens may not see a marked response to tips.

He said that having a lot of eyes on the street, help investigators burdened by limited resources. Citizens concerned with anonymity can call Crimestoppers or a tip line of that sort.

"This is a community problem," Sides said. And it will take the help of the community to combat it.

AG DAY

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than Smith, area representative to Texas Farm Bureau, will bring in a trailer provided by the state agency. Booths will also be set up inside the ag barn where students will learn more important facts about how agriculture impacts their lives.

While the event is geared toward students, everyone is welcome to attend. Students will be fed hot dogs provided by Farm Bureau before returning to school.

The event is the first of its kind to be held in Mitchell County, and Morgan said the board hopes to make it an annual occasion. Board members of the local agency are: Jeremy Strain, Geory Martin, Lynn Bradbury, Jack Ainsworth, Dwayne Smith, Randy Anderson, Brandon Hoback, David Stubblefield, Russell Erwin, Jennifer Morris, Gerry Ritchey, Tommy Morris and Brooks Wallis.

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Transportation will review the paperwork for 10 to 14 days, and May said he expects to hear something on the funding status after that.

Commissioners met again briefly Monday morning to accept a bid to re-roof the library and approve payroll.

CMG Construction out of Sugarland submitted a bid of \$41,500 to complete the project, and the

bid was approved as presented. County Treasurer Jennifer Rivera presented a net payroll of \$73,946.66, which was also approved as presented.

Commissioners voted to participate in the Loraine Farm Auction again this year. Proceeds from the auction help the Loraine Volunteer Fire Department purchase equipment and provide firefighter training.

BANKS

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45-minute conversation with Bobbie, Clay said he remembers having a great feeling at the prospect of the couple moving back to the area.

"She was just a breath of fresh air," Clay said. "She loved her town, and she was so energetic. She was a big supporter of Colorado City."

It seems that everywhere she went, Bobbie made a lasting impression on those she touched. She worked hard to educate herself on the issues facing her town and the organizations she represented.

Heart of West Texas Museum Curator Patty Pharis said she will miss Bobbie's help with things at the museum, but she will miss her as a friend just as much. "She was my mentor," Pharis said. "I valued her opinion. We traveled together and got to know each other personally."

The two women met while serving together on the museum board, and Bobbie maintained her love of the history of Mitch-

ell County throughout her time here.

"We talked weekly," Pharis said. "She was so wise, and so much fun. We're gonna miss her so much."

Pharis said that Bobbie had a personal interest in preserving the history of the Wallace school where she attended classes while growing up in Colorado City. She had a particular interest in providing educational exhibits to those visiting the museum and was adamant about preserving artifacts from Wallace.

Bobbie sacrificed a large amount of time to serve on boards and in various organizations. She worked in hopes of leaving Colorado City better than she found it. It a life can be measured in such a way, Bobbie was successful.

She was always looking for a way to help somebody," Clay said. In fact, she helped lots of people — volunteering countless hours to improve life for all of Colorado City's citizens.

Barr retires from county clerk's office

Margaret Barr recently retired from her position as Deputy County Clerk in the Mitchell County Clerk's office, and co-workers and friends held a retirement luncheon in her honor recently. The group met at Mi Ranchito where Barr was honored for her 13 years and five months of service on the job.

The reception was hosted by

County Clerk Debby Carlock and the staff in the office to honor Barr who retired on February 27th. During the reception, County Judge Ray Mayo presented a plaque to Barr honoring her for the many years she served in the county clerk's office.

Barr said that she and her husband plan to travel, and she is looking forward to having more time to visit her children and grandchildren. Barr is married to Paul, and they have two grown daughters, Heather and Kimberly.

"She will be missed," Carlock said, "but we wish her well as she enjoys a well-deserved retirement."



RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE — Margaret Barr (right) recently retired from the Mitchell County Clerk's office. She was honored with a reception and plaque, presented by County Judge Ray Mayo, recognizing her for executing her job duties in a top-notch fashion.

TROOPER

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will be held on Friday. "I'm kind of nervous about it," Casares said.

A DPS Director's Citation was presented to Casares in August for his actions which saved his own life and prevented further violence when he was shot at while making a routine traffic stop early last year. On January 21, 2013, Casares stopped a speeding vehicle on I-20 near Colorado City when an occupant of the car began shooting, and a vehicle pursuit ensued.

Although the three suspects were able to evade police, tips led investigators to a residence where the trio was hiding. A 10-hour standoff ultimately ended with the DPS SWAT team arresting the suspects, who were identified as Oklahoma gang members wanted in connection with a bank robbery and several homicides there.

"DPS is proud to have Trooper Frank Casares within our ranks, and thanks to his selfless dedication, the state of Texas is a safer place. DPS troopers, agents and Texas Rangers risk their lives every day to protect our communities, and it is enormously gratifying that the IACP is recognizing the outstanding work of one of our own," DPS Director Steven McCraw said.

DUNN

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was no body and no evidence of what might have happened to the young teenager.

There has been very little new information released about the case since Hailey's remains were found last March, but Chaumont reminds the public that the case is not closed and investigators are still looking for evidence in what happened to Hailey.

She said that the \$15,000 reward is still available for information leading directly to the arrest of the individual responsible for Hailey's murder. Chaumont encourages anyone with information about the case to call law enforcement officials.

Annual Loraine Farm Sale consignments being accepted

According to Loraine Fire Chief Doyle Mitchell, items to be sold in the Loraine Farm Sale are beginning to show up on the Loraine Co-Op Gin yard, and "all plans are go" for the event.

The 26th annual event is planned to be held March 29th, and everyone is invited out to place a bid on all kinds of items being sold that day. What started as an auction to sell farm equipment has turned into more of a general auction where buyers can bid on everything from plows to

campers.

Mitchell said that Keaven Hudson served as the auctioneer for the sale for over 20 years, and when he sold his business to Whitley May, the fire department decided to keep the tradition going. May, who helped with the Mitchell County Livestock Show's premium sale, will serve as auctioneer for the farm sale.

The annual fundraiser is used to help the department defray the cost of purchasing equipment. Proceeds from past sales have

provided much needed items such as bunker gear, tanks, truck upkeep, radios, walkie-talkies, and lights.

The Loraine Volunteer Fire Department will also be serving hamburgers to visitors and buyers alike. The LVFD always accepts donations, and proceeds help the department with costs.

Those wishing to get a consignment need to call ahead. Interested parties should contact Don Boyd at 325-242-1229 or Doyle Mitchell, 325-933-0113.

Several local citizens to be "arrested", all for a good cause

A few citizens in Mitchell County are wanted, and law enforcement officials are making plans to pick them up and put them in "jail." A warrant has been issued for the "arrest" of the citizens who are wanted to help fight cancer.

Volunteers of Mitchell County Relay for Life are organizing a lockup event to be held March 28th to help raise money for the charity benefiting the American Cancer Society. Those wanted will be cuffed and taken

to a makeshift jail on the Fuller Foods parking lot and detained from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mug shots will be taken.

According to RFL volunteer Audia Hoback, there's no get-out-of-jail free card, but anyone can donate to any particular jailbird to help raise their bond of \$250. All proceeds will benefit Relay for Life.

Officers of the law will be on the prowl on March 28th for the following suspects: Mark Waldrip, Reggy Spencer, Mark

Merrell, Melinda Alexander, Joe Wright, Donna Goebel, Melissa Goolsby, Ray Mayo, Rick Alvarez, Julian Castillo, Travis Edwards, Jim Baum, Todd Burselson, Cassie Petty, Belinda Blassingame, Dalton West and Helen Edwards.

Each jailbird will have to raise \$250 to gain their freedom, and they will need the help of the generous people in the county. Anyone wanting to donate can do so by stopping by the "jail" between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to make a donation.

5K walk/run to be held March 29th at W'brook

Relay for Life's team, the Westbrook Walkers, are raising money for the American Cancer Society, and the group has an event geared toward the active citizens of the area planned for Saturday, March 29th. A 5K walk/run will

be held on the Westbrook ISD campus, and all proceeds will benefit Relay for Life.

Registration begins at 8:30 on Saturday morning, with the start of the race taking place at 10 a.m. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$5 for kids

ages 8 to 18. Anyone 7 years old or younger can participate for free.

Drawings for gift cards will be held, and all participants of the walk/run are eligible to win.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS
 For FY 2015-18
Rural Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) Abilene District

The Texas Department of Transportation will conduct public meetings on the following dates:
 6:30-7:30 p.m. April 1: Aztec Theater, 141 S. Main Street, Albany, Texas 76430.
 6:30-7:30 p.m. April 3: Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive, Big Spring, Texas 79720.
 6:30-7:30 p.m. April 8: United Way Building, 2311 Avenue T, Snyder, Texas 79549.

The purpose of these meetings is to receive comments on the FY 2015-2018 Rural Transportation Improvement Program for the Abilene District. The district includes Kent, Stonewall, Haskell, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Taylor and Callahan Counties. The TIP is a mechanism used by TxDOT and FHWA to fund projects for the next four years and includes all federally funded projects. This meeting is being held pursuant to Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Section 16.102, which calls for an opportunity for public comment concerning the program.

Persons wishing to speak at the hearing may register in advance by notifying Kristi Barron at (325) 676-6811 not later than March 31, 2014, or they may register at the hearing location beginning at 6 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aides or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, large print or Braille are requested to contact Kristi Barron at (325) 676-6811 two (2) weeks prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Written comments may be submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation, Attention: Blair Haynie, P.E., 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas 79601, or by email at Blair.Haynie@txdot.gov. To be considered, a 10-day public comment period to submit written comments will close at the Abilene District office by 5 p.m. on Friday, April 18, 2014.

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SCHOOL NEWS



MEDIA MANIA—Mrs. Acevedo's first grade class has been learning about different types of media and purposes. They have even included KVMC and *Colorado Record* in their studies. Students in Mrs. Acevedo's class are back row, (l-r) Bruce Holloway, Jeremiah Green, Madeline Barron, Dania Ward, Diego Andrade, Teaira Leverrett, Ethan Franco; middle, Miranda Mahan, Azlyn Briseno, Kylee Galey; front row, Jayden Usener, Kolten Thomas, Matthew Crawford, Samuel Calbillo-Ruiz, Ruben Rodriguez, Ethan Haren, Destiny Vasquez and Madison Hernandez. Not pictured are Madison Munoz, Joel Arguijo, and Yareli Lara. Photo courtesy of Mrs. Acevedo.

Career Day set at CHS on March 25th

The Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas is working with Colorado City and Loraine schools to hold a Career Day, giving colleges, universities and potential employers a chance to connect with students who may be looking for options after graduation. Career Day will be held March 25th from 8:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. in the Colorado High School gym. Students will have the opportunity to visit face-to-face with organization representatives ranging from four-year universi-

ties to companies looking for employees. Companies, schools and training academies will get to showcase their services, attracting new candidates for training. Group representatives will provide students with hands-on experience by bringing materials related to their respective industries. The day will bring opportunity to network with higher education institutions and other employers, as well as an avenue to market businesses at no cost. For more information, call Carolyn Jergins at 325-795-4327.

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Mitchell County Farm Bureau announces our **1st Annual Ag Day** for Mitchell County 4th Graders on March 25th at the Mitchell County Ag Barns 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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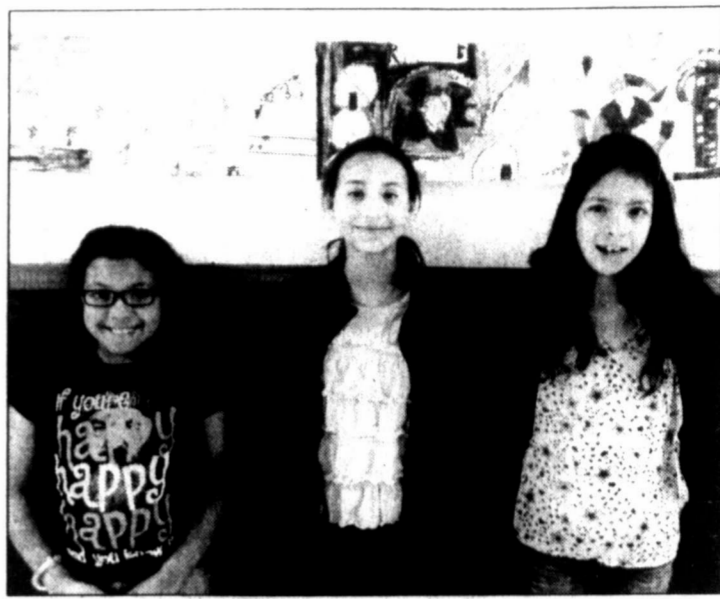
SCHOOL MENUS

Kelley Elementary
Breakfast Menu Mar. 24-28
 Monday - Dry cereal, Texas toast or oatmeal round, yogurt, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or chicken-n-waffles stix, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Wednesday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or breakfast club, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Thursday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or sausage biscuit, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Friday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast

or cinnamon roll, bacon, fruit juice, choice of milk.
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Breakfast Menu Mar. 24-28
 Monday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or waffles/sausage or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or cinnamon roll, bacon or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Wednesday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or French toast bake, bacon or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or banana bread square, cream of wheat or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Friday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.
Colorado ISD
Lunch Menu Mar. 24-28
 Monday - Beef and cheese chalu-pas w/tortilla chips, salsa, garden salad, refried beans, applesauce, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - Chicken spaghetti, Texas toast, garden salad, baby carrots, apple slices, choice of milk.
 Wednesday - Steak fingers, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, hot roll, strawberry cup, choice of milk.
 Thursday - Chicken fajitas, tortilla chips, charro beans, seasoned corn, salsa, orange smiles, choice of milk.
 Friday - Hamburger, hamburger garnish, sweet potato fries, sweet peas, slice peaches, choice of milk.

apple slices.
 Tuesday - Ultimate taco salad, garden salad, ranch, seasoned corn, snowball salad, milk.
 Wednesday - Chicken nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, milk, apple-pineapple D'Lite.
 Thursday - BBQ bun, pinto beans, salsa, baby carrots, orange smiles, milk.
 Friday - Cheeseburger, garden salad, ranch, fresh veggie cup, fresh fruit, milk.
Westbrook ISD
Breakfast Menu Mar. 24-28
 Monday - Oatmeal w/blueberry muffin or cereal, Texas toast or oatmeal round and yogurt or cinnamon breakfast pastry and yogurt, fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk.
 Tuesday - Chicken-n-biscuit w/ syrup or cereal, Texas toast or animal crackers w/string cheese, fresh fruit or fruit juice, milk.
 Wednesday - Pancake/sausage on a stick, oven roasted potatoes or cereal, Texas toast or breakfast parfait or cinnamon breakfast pastry and yogurt, fresh fruit or fruit juice, milk.
 Thursday - Sunrise sandwich or cereal, Texas toast or animal crackers w/string cheese, fresh fruit or fruit juice, milk.
 Friday - Breakfast taco or cereal, Texas toast or oatmeal round and yogurt or cinnamon breakfast pastry and yogurt, fresh fruit or fruit juice, milk.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK—Students of the week at Hutchinson Elementary are Trinity Evans, Destiny Hernandez and Jayden Woodell. Photo courtesy of Christy Myers.

Students of the week named at Hutchinson

Students of the Week at Hutchinson Elementary are Trinity Evans, Destiny Hernandez and Jayden Woodell.
 Trinity is a 3rd grader in Mrs. Free's class. Her favorite subject is science. She says she has a dog named Miko. She says her favorite thing about Hutch is how the teachers make everything fun.

Destiny is a 4th grader in Mrs. Godina's class. She says she likes to play on the iPad. Her favorite subject is P.E. Her favorite thing about Hutch is AR field trips.
 Jayden is a 5th grader in Mrs. Gainey's class. Her favorite subject is math. She has two dogs named Dixie and Hercules. Her favorite thing about Hutchinson is Texas Fest.

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Breakfast Menu Mar. 24-28
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 Tuesday - Pancakes, bacon, milk, cereal, toast, apple.
 Wednesday - Breakfast pizza, juice, cereal, toast, milk.
 Thursday - Waffles, sausage, orange, cereal, toast, milk.
 Friday - Cinnamon roll, bacon, cereal, toast, juice, milk.
Lorraine ISD
Breakfast Menu Mar. 24-28
 Monday - Pizza dippers, sauce, garden salad, ranch, baby carrots, milk.

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CHS Boys Varsity Track Team for winning 1st in Hamlin
 CHS Girls Varsity Track Team for winning 1st in Coahoma

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SPORTS

CHS varsity girls named champions of meet

Colorado High School track teams traveled west to participate in the Coahoma Bulldog Relay Meet held on Saturday, March 8th.

The varsity girls' team earned a 1st place finish as a team and the varsity boys tied with Post for 2nd place. Results follow.

RUNNING EVENTS

4x100M Relay

Varsity Girls
1st-City-51.78

JV Boys

4th-City-49.96

Varsity Boys

3rd-City-45.31

4x200M Relay

Varsity Girls
1st-City-1:53.88

JV Boys

2nd-City-1:47.25

Varsity Boys

2nd-City-1:36.25

4x400M Relay

Varsity Girls
3rd-City-4:42.81

JV Boys

3rd-City-4:17.62

Varsity Boys

2nd-City-3:45.34

800M

Varsity Girls
5th-KK Molina-City-2:49.01

JV Boys

2nd-Jonathan Casares-City-2:29.92

Varsity Boys

1st-Doug Garcia-City-2:10.46

100M Hurdles

Varsity Girls
5th-Breanna Beltran -C-City-19.98

110M Hurdles

Varsity Boys
4th-Nick Palacios-C-City-18.81

100M

Varsity Girls

1st-Shirley Hemphill-C-City-13.33

2nd-August Lane-C-City-13.75

3rd-Kearra Ausbie-C-City-14.21

JV Boys

1st-Keandre Malveaux-C-City-12.41

2nd-Alex Trujillo-C-City-13.29

Varsity Boys

3rd-Jonathon Jackson-C-City-12.25

4th-Isaiah Jennings-C-City-12.34

400M

Varsity Girls
4th-Gracie Aguilar-C-City-70.13

JV Boys

2nd-Koby Miller-C-City-60.19

5th-Don Guazo-C-City-64.70

Varsity Boys

2nd-Doug Garcia-C-City-54.28

5th-Isaiah Jennings-C-City-57.74

300M Hurdles

Varsity Girls
3rd-Andie Salas-C-City-58.01

4th-Taylor Griffith-C-City-60.03

Varsity Boys
12nd-Nick Palacios-C-City-47.20

200M Dash

Varsity Girls
2nd-Heather Merket-C-City-28.50

5th-Kearra Ausbie-C-City-29.86

JV Boys

3rd-Keandre Malveaux-C-City-25.67

6th-Jonathan Casares-C-City-27.18

Varsity Boys

1st-Jeremiah Williams-C-City-24.40

4th-Dillon Gainey-C-City-24.99

1600M

JV Boys
1st-Ethan Smith-C-City-6:02.17

3rd-Taylor Anderson-C-City-6:14.13

Varsity Boys

4th-Adam Pineda-C-City-5:27.44

3200M

JV Boys

1st-Ethan Smith-C-City-13:32

4th-Taylor Anderson-C-City-14:26

Varsity Boys

4th-Adam Pineda-C-City-12:24

FIELD EVENTS

Discus

Varsity Girls
6th-Makayla Madrid-C-City-71'10 1/2"

Shot Put

Varsity Girls
2nd-Makayla Madrid-C-City-32'1 1/2"

6th-Mackenzie Kimball -C-City-28'2 1/2"

JV Boys

5th-Zack Tillis-C-City-33'4"

6th-Justin Trawick-C-City-31'9 1/2"

Long Jump

Varsity Girls

1st-August Lane-C-City-15'4"

JV Boys

4th-Emanuel Ventura -15'11"

5th-Zach Luera-C-City-15'9"

Varsity Boys

1st-Dillon Gainey -C-City-20'9"

4th-Trinnon Jackson-C-City-19'7 1/2"

Triple Jump

Varsity Girls

4th-Baylie Lindsey-C-City-29'10"

5th-Makayla Rivera-C-City-28'10"

Varsity Boys

1st-Doug Garcia-C-City-41'1"

3rd-Isaiah Jennings-C-City-38'5"

High Jump

Varsity Girls

2nd-Heather Merket-C-City-4'8"

JV Boys

2nd-Keandre Malveaux-C-City-5'

3rd-Jonathan Casares-C-City-4'10"

Varsity Boys

2nd-Brandon Thomas-C-City-5'10"

3rd-Nick Palacios-C-City-5'6"

5th-Trinnon Jackson-C-City-5'4"

Varsity boys take first in Hamlin

The varsity girls', varsity and junior varsity boys' track teams from Colorado High School traveled to Hamlin to participate in the Pied Piper Relays on Saturday, March 15th. The Wolves varsity boys' team earned 95 points to take 1st place in the meet as a team. Results of the meet follow.

Varsity Lady Wolves

High Jump - Heather Merket,

6th place, 4'10"

4x100m Relay - Colorado City,

4th place, 52.60

100m Dash - August Lane, 5th

place, 13.64

4x200m Relay - Colorado City,

3rd place, 1:55.85

300m Hurdles - Baylie Lindsey,

4th place, 53.08

200m Dash - Heather Merket,

3rd place, 28.07

Final Team Score - Colorado

City 6th place, 33 points

Junior Varsity Wolves

3200m Run - Dylan Meguire,

12:54.77

4x100m Relay - Colorado City,

5th place, 51.24

4x200m Relay - Colorado City,

6th place, 1:47.40

200m Dash - Zachary Tillis, 3rd

place, 26.36

1600m Run - Dylan Meguire,

5th place, 5:57.12

1600m Run - Ethan Smith, 6th

place, 5:59.93

Final Team Score - Colorado

City, 9th place, 19 points

Varsity Wolves

High Jump - Brandon Thomas,

1st place, 6'2"

High Jump - Nick Palacios, 5th

place, 6'

Long Jump - Dillon Gainey, 1st

place, 19'4.75"

Triple Jump - Isaiah Jennings,

5th place, 36'11"

4x100m Relay - Colorado City,

1st place, 45.55

800m Run - Robbie Gonzales,

4th place, 2:13.49

110m Hurdles - Mark Muñoz,

3rd place, 17.34

4x200m Relay - Colorado City,

2nd place, 1:37.44

400m Dash - Alan De Santiago,

4th place, 58.23

300m Hurdles - Mark Muñoz,

2nd place, 42.06

1600m Run - Robbie Gonzales,

3rd place, 5:14.92

4x400m Relay - Colorado City,

5th place, 3:46.99

Final Team Score - Colorado

City, 1st place, 95 points

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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROPOSED PERMIT AND PUBLIC HEARING, AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT OF PROPOSED CLEAN AIR ACT GREENHOUSE GAS PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION PRECONSTRUCTION PERMIT

Public Comment Period March 20, 2014 to April 21, 2014

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides notice of and requests public comments on the EPA's proposed action relating to the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) permit application for the FGE Power, LLC, Texas Project. If finalized, the permit would regulate greenhouse gas (GHG) pollutant emissions associated with the project to construct a natural gas fired combined cycle electric generating plant. The proposed construction will be 3.5 miles southwest of the intersection of Interstate 20 and Main Street, Westbrook, TX 79565, in Mitchell County.

Under the provisions of 40 CFR 52.21 (except paragraph (a)(1)), EPA Region 6 implements a greenhouse gas PSD Federal Implementation Plan (FIP) for Texas. See 40 CFR 52.2305. As the project will result in increased greenhouse gas emissions for a facility described at 40 CFR 52.21(b)(49)(v), EPA concludes that the application is subject to PSD review for GHG emissions. The construction of the FGE Power LLC project covered by the draft permit is composed of the following emission sources: two combustion turbines, two supplementally fired (duct burners), heat recovery steam generators and one steam turbine.

Any interested individual may submit written comments on EPA's proposed PSD permit for the FGE Power, Texas Project. All comments must be received in writing by April 21, 2014, postmarked by April 21, 2014, to Aimee Wilson at one of the following addresses:

EPA Contact: Aimee Wilson
 Phone Number: (214) 665-7596
 E-mail: wilson.aimee@epa.gov
 U.S. Mail: Aimee Wilson
 Air Permits Section (PD-R)
 U.S. EPA Region 6

1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200
 Dallas, TX 75202

EPA will consider and respond to all comments in making the final decision regarding the issuing of the permit. Similar comments may be grouped together in the response, and the EPA will not respond to individual commenters directly.

Additionally, all comments will be included in the administrative record without change, and may be made available to the public, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Thus, CBI or other protected information should be clearly identified as such, and should not be submitted through email. Emails sent directly to the EPA will capture your email address automatically and will be included as a part of the public comment. Please note that an email or postal address must be provided with your comments if you wish to receive responses to comments submitted during the public comment period and direct notification of EPA's final decision regarding the permit.

An extension of the 30-day comment period may be granted if the request for an extension adequately demonstrates why additional time is required to prepare comments.

Public Hearing: If EPA determines that there is a significant amount of public interest in the draft permit, the EPA has the right to hold a public hearing. Any request for a public hearing must be received by the EPA either by email or mail by April 16, 2014, and must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Attendance at the public hearing is not required in order to submit written comments. If the EPA determines that there is significant public interest, a public hearing will be held on April 29, 2014, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the following location:

Mitchell County Public Library
 Hesperian Room
 340 Oak Street
 Colorado City, TX 79512-6213
 (325) 728-3968

If a public hearing is held, the public comment period shall automatically be extended to the close of the public hearing. The EPA maintains the right to cancel a public hearing if no request for a public hearing is received by April 16, 2014, or the EPA determines that there is not a significant interest. If the public hearing is cancelled, notification of the cancellation will be posted by April 18, 2014 on the EPA's Website <http://yosemite.epa.gov/r6/Apermit.nsf/AirP>. Individuals may also call the EPA at the contact number listed above to determine if the public hearing has been cancelled.

Permit Documents: EPA's draft permit, EPA's preliminary determination and statement of basis, FGE Power's permit application and supporting documentation, and comments received from the public, other government agencies, and the applicant during the public comment period become part of the administrative record for the permit. In addition, all data submitted by the applicant is available as a part of the administrative record. The public can access the administrative record at the following locations (please call in advance for available viewing times):

Mitchell County Public Library
 340 Oak Street
 Colorado City, TX 79512-6213
 (325) 728-3968
EPA Region 6 Office
 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200
 Dallas, TX 75202
 Phone: 214-665-7200

Final Determination: A final decision to issue a permit or to deny the application for the permit shall be made after all comments have been considered. Notice of the final decision shall be sent to each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of the final permit decision, provided the EPA has adequate contact information.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL OIL AND GAS SOLIDS SEPARATION FACILITY PERMIT

On March 18, 2014, Bedias Land & Cattle, LLC ("Bedias") filed an application with the Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission") for a commercial oil and gas solids separation facility permit. As part of this process, Bedias is asked to publish notice of the filing of this application pursuant to Rule 8(d)(6)(c) of the Commission.

Bedias proposes to use physical methods to separate oil and gas solid wastes. The oil and gas solid wastes will be separated, transported and disposed of at the nearest commercial landfill facility. The liquid fraction with will be disposed of through a permitted disposal well.

The proposed waste processing site is located on real property owned by Ms. Susan Farr, a 89.828-acre tract of land, leased by Bedias. The proposed tract is situated on the I-20 frontage road, approximately 0.5 miles west of Loraine, in Section 46, Abstract 703, Block 25, T&P RY. CO. Survey, in Mitchell County, Texas.

Pursuant to Commission rules, affected persons may protest this application. Requests for public hearing or protest from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the proposed application must be submitted **IN WRITING**, within 15 days after the last date of publication of this notice. The last date of publication on this notice is expected to be March 27, 2014, which means that protests should be received no later than April 11, 2014.

Protests must be mailed to: Technical Permitting Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Tel: 512-463-3840)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR TULSA COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN RE:
 IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP
 Case No. PG-2000-353
 OF CONNIE STROTHER TRIPPET,
 an Incapacitated Person.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY
 Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to an Order

LEGAL NOTICES

of the District Court of the County of Tulsa, State of Oklahoma, made on March 11, 2014, in the Matter of the Guardianship of Connie Strother Trippet, an Incapacitated Person, the undersigned, as General Guardian of the Person and Estate of the Ward, Connie Strother Trippet, will sell, for cash to the highest bidder, subject to confirmation by the Court, on or after the 11th day of April, 2014, at Simpson Enterprises, LLC, PO Box 700216, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74170-0216, all the right, title, interest and estate that the said Connie Strother Trippet has and all the right, title and interest that the said Guardianship estate has, by operation of law, and otherwise acquired, in and to all that certain real property mineral interests located in Ector, Gaines, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Mitchell, Pecos, Scurry and Winkler Counties in Texas, in Garfield and Garvin Counties in Oklahoma, and in Pawnee County, Kansas, and an interest in a wheat farm in Garfield County, Oklahoma, as are more particularly described on the Exhibit(s) attached hereto, on the following terms: all sales are to be for cash.

DATED this 12th day of March, 2014.
 Robert C. Simpson, General Guardian of the Person and Estate of Connie Strother Trippet, an Incapacitated Person
 By
 Beverly K. Smith, Attorney

NOTICE

Mitchell County will have numerous items to sell at the Loraine Fire Department's Annual Auction. The auction is to be held on Saturday, March 29, 2014, at the Loraine Co-op Gin yard, beginning at approximately 9:00 a.m. A list of items to be auctioned is available at the County Auditor's Office.

BID NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that Loraine Independent School District, using general contractor for construction, will receive sealed, written proposals in Loraine ISD's Board Room, 800 S. Lightfoot, Loraine, Texas, 79532 until 4:00 p.m. C.D.T. on Tuesday, April 15, 2014, for construction encompassing (but not limited to) the following: electrical, concrete footings, and athletic lighting.

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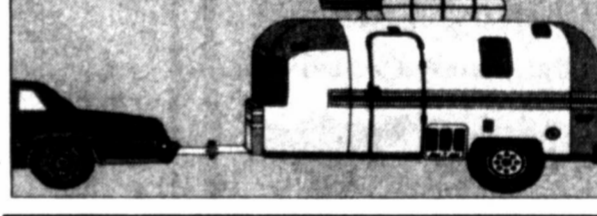
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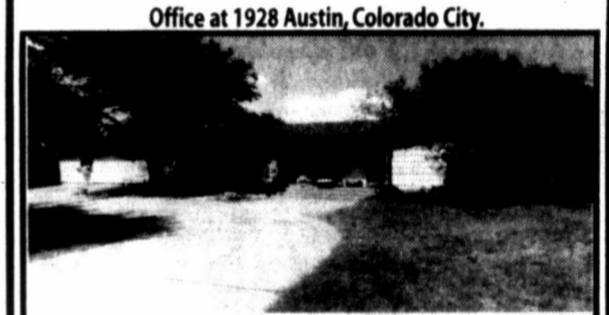
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Cline Shale Alliance luncheon planned Apr. 4th in San Angelo

A quarterly luncheon of the Cline Shale Alliance is planned for Friday, April 4th in San Angelo, and everyone is welcome to take part. Those attending will hear the latest on Cline Shale regional activity and developments.

Right now, there are several types of construction taking place across this region, such as intermodal rail parks in Sweetwater, Big Spring, San Angelo, Monahans and Snyder; a 450-mile 300,000 barrel per day oil pipeline; a 1,200,000 barrel oil storage facility; regional transmission grid; and numerous operations centers.

The latest regional readiness strategies will also be discussed, including regional investments, new energy projects and business and industry updates from across the region. Those attending will also have the opportunity to network with community and regional leaders, as well as explore new business opportunities.

Cost to attend the luncheon is \$25 per person and all attendees must RSVP and pay in advance via Cline Shale Alliance. The event is planned to be held in the West Texas Training Center located at 3501 N. U.S. Hwy. 67 (277) and will start at 11:30 a.m. and end around 1:30 p.m.

Other conferences are being planned regarding Cline Shale Activity. The 6th Annual Southwest Energy Summit is set to be held in Sweetwater on March 26th and 27th and the Region Ready conference will be held in Colorado City on June 17th. Salado will host the Texas Oil Policy Summit on July 16th and 17th.

Corporate sponsorships are available for the luncheon for \$250. The sponsorship gives the business or individual the right to display equipment at a trade show-type booth. The company's logo will also be prominently displayed at the luncheon.

Several levels of memberships are available to those interested. A Platinum membership is for companies, cities and institutions that want a higher profile in the industry. The \$1,000 annual membership offers the following benefits:

- Corporate logo featured on the Cline Shale Alliance website
- Platinum featured positioning and di-

rect link from the alliance website

- Discounts for member staff to conference and special events
- Promotion of Platinum members at events
- Market introductions and limited complimentary field consulting services
- Special notice regarding international marketing and media opportunities
- Special notices of conferences and consultation regarding event content and focus
- An opportunity to host corporate events at the Cline Shale Alliance regional office

A Gold membership is available for \$500 per year and the benefits of such membership include:

- Corporate logo featured on the alliance's website
- Gold featured positioning and direct link from website
- Market introductions and limited Cline Shale region business advisory services
- Special notice of conferences and sponsorship opportunities
- Discounts for member staff to conferences

The \$250 Silver membership comes with the following benefits:

- Institutional logo featured on the alliance's website
- Direct link to institutional website from alliance's website
- Discounts for member staff to conferences
- Promotion of silver member institution to relevant audiences

So, whether you own a business and want to take part in sponsorships, or you just want to learn more on what's happening and what's to come for the Cline Shale, RSVP at www.ClineShaleAlliance.com.

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