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Answerline

Q. Does Loraine ISD have a policy prohibiting a school board member from sending his/her children to another school district?

A. No. Loraine ISD has no policy that prohibits a person from serving on the school board while his/her children attend school in another district.

Briefs

Parent Meeting
Westbrook ISD Schoolwide Title I Parent Meeting will be held on Monday May 20th at 5 p.m. The meeting will be held in room 120 (located across the hall from the cafeteria). This meeting is for the end-of-year Schoolwide Title I meeting.

Benefit Dance
There will be a benefit dance for Joe Silva Jr. at the Cricket Ball Room (Old VFW in Colorado City). The dance will be held on Saturday, May 17th starting at 8p.m.- midnight. You can buy tickets at the door, the cost will be $8 for a single person and $12 for couples. Call Dora at (325) 436-8426 for more info.

Closing Ceremonies
Mitchell County Girls Softball will have closing ceremonies Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 7 p.m. at Ruddick Park. The kids will be awarded trophies and the all-star selections will be announced.

Obituaries

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Around Town

Chuck Vondra keeping his head above water... **Audra Graves** demonstrating how to run through the mud... Happy 18th birthday **Marissa Robinson** (May 14th)... Was that **Chad Pinkerton** in a mud boat... Happy belated birthday **Michael Midwell** (May 12th)... **Lydia Sanchez** enjoying a softball tournament... Who keeps **Irene Graham** walking everyday...

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City applying for grant to extend infrastructure

A decision made Tuesday evening by the city council designates Grantworks and Jacob & Martin Engineering as administration and engineering service providers to help the City of Colorado City apply for a $460,000 grant to extend sewer and water lines to the north side of the interstate.

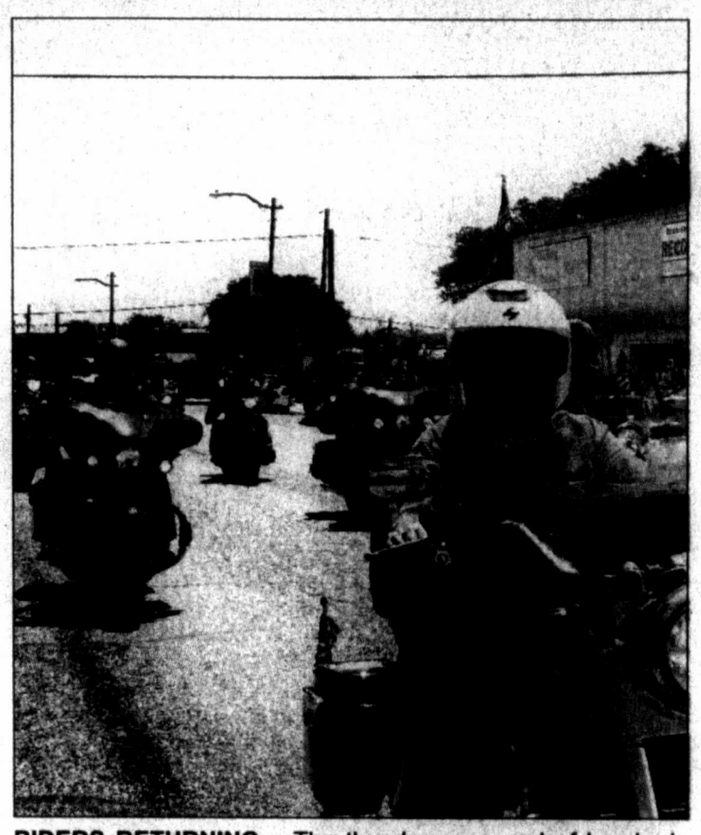
The 2013 Texas Capital Fund grant, if awarded to the city, will provide funding to extend utility infrastructure all along the north service road, which will open up the opportunity for the I-20 corridor to be developed, according to City Manager David Hoover. The grant is the same type of funding that made the extension of sewer lines out to the planned Travel Center location possible.

In other business, council members approved the purchase of a used dump truck. Initially, the city budgeted $24,000 per year for the lease of a new truck, but the used truck is cheaper and equipped with a new bed.

Total cost for the pre-owned dump truck is $41,835.97. Since the city is financing the purchase, payments will be $1,844.28 per month.

The truck has a little over

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RIDERS RETURNING – The thunderous sound of hundreds of motorcycles will, once again, fill the streets of Colorado City Saturday, as the annual Run for the Wall returns to the Railhead Building. Colorado Middle School faculty and students will feed and entertain the riders making their way to the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C.

Incumbents re-elected in local elections Saturday

Voter turn-out was at an all-time low, and many contested races were decided by a small margin in the school, city and water board elections held Saturday.

Only 19 people voted in Lone Wolf Groundwater Conservation District's Precinct 3 race between incumbent Kenny Gillespie and challenger Rebecca Seibold. Gillespie won with 17 votes to Seibold's two. David Stubblefield ran unopposed.

John Martinez was re-elected to serve Place 2 on the Colorado ISD Board of Trustees. He received 24 votes, while challenger Steve Komppa received 13. Veronica Boone will represent Place 1 and Shane Johnson will represent Place 5. Both ran unopposed. A grand total of 51 ballots were cast in the election.

In the Westbrook ISD election, Jim Bob Hale will be filling the two-year unexpired term formerly held by Donnie Hale. Jim Bob received 62 votes on Saturday, and Amy Clemmer received 18.

Four WISD at-large seats were filled with the announcement of election results also. Incumbents Ranee Dawson, Craig Rees and Tom Whitesides will again serve on the board, along with challenger Chad Morris. Dawson had 70 votes, Rees received 60, Morris got 58, Whitesides received 54 and Curtis Clemmer

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Riders, students honor veterans this Saturday

Charles H. Branton will be one of many veterans honored during the Run for the Wall at the Railhead Building on Saturday, May 17th. Colorado Middle School faculty and students will host the patriotic celebration honoring service men and women again this year, and hundreds of motorcycle riders will descend on downtown Colorado City to take part in the luncheon.

Branton, a graduate of Tuscola High School, fought in World War I, World War II and the Korean War. Born near Cameron in 1897, Branton volunteered for the U.S. Army when he was 21 years old. Within two months, he was in France with the 141st Infantry Regiment. Then he fought alongside sons of his World War I buddies in World War II and again with the riflemen in the hills of Korea.

The three-time veteran will be one of many recognized during the program on Saturday. Some, like Branton, will be recognized posthumously, while others will be present for the honor.

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County to take part in TxDOT grant

Members of the Mitchell County Commissioners' Court gave their stamp of approval to an agreement between the county and TxDOT to take part in a grant program that will provide $1.5 in grant funding for road repair. The county has budgeted the $168,881 required in matching funds to be eligible for the grant.

Along with approving and signing the agreement, commissioners also designated County Judge Ray Mayo to be the contact person for all grant documents.

Though the details of the grant are still being studied by the county's lawyers, commissioners approved the agreement in time to get in on funding designated for counties which have roads affected by increased energy-sector traffic. The county expects to receive $1,519,927 in reimbursements from TxDOT to offset road repair costs.

Commissioners approved an

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Wallace Unit celebrates 20th anniversary



20 YEARS AND COUNTING... Community members and employees of the 80 John Wallace Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice celebrated the 20th anniversary last week of the opening of the facility. Employees still working at the unit include: (front row, l-r) Billy Allen, Beverly Cogburn, Lisa Fallin, Cheryl Lee, Josie Ortegon, Kristina Guerra, Lynn Hill, Guillermo Hernandez, Gloria Davila, Marcelo Alvarez; (back row) Johnny Rivera, Warden Charles Vondra, Timothy Hyde, Galen Sorrells, Frank Sanchez, Gilbert Arellano, David Pinkerton, Richard Linebaugh, Tommy Rodriquez, Donny Lowrance, Edward Riley and Philip Vigil. *Photo courtesy of Sheryl Lee.*

A large crowd of community leaders and Texas Department of Criminal Justice officials gathered last Wednesday in the Webb Center to celebrate and commemorate the 20th anniversary of the opening of the 80 John Wallace Unit. Employees who were present for the opening of the unit and had worked there the whole 20 years were honored with a plaque for their loyal and dedicated service.

Warden Charles Vondra welcomed many past wardens, such as Jason Heaton, Rodney Cooper, Richy Wathen and Rocky Moore along with several others, to the ceremony. As he addressed the 20-year employees, he said, "Thank you for a job well done."

Cooper recounted to the audience how he and Warden Jackie Edwards had recruited employees to come to Colorado City to staff the Wallace Unit. He said that the 21 employees being honored for 20 years of service was proof of good staffing and good support from the community.

Employees receiving plaques

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Early voting in run-offs starts May 19th

Early voting for federal, state and local run-off elections will begin Monday, May 19th, and those wishing to cast an early ballot should do so in a timely manner. Early voting will be held for only one week, until May 23rd and the lobby of the Mitchell County Courthouse will serve as the polling location.

An election judge will be present Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to assist early voters.

There is one local race that will be decided in the run-off election. Republican candidates Belinda Blassingame and Teresa Hughes are running for the office of District Clerk. The May 27th election will decide, not only who will run in November as the Republican candidate, but also who will be the next District

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OBITUARIES

Joan Barber Gainey
1933-2014



BIG SPRING-- Joan Barber Gainey, 80, died Friday, May 9, 2014 at her residence. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, May 12, 2014 at the First Baptist Church Chapel with Rev. Mark Lindsey, pastor, officiating. Graveside services were held at 1:30 p.m. Monday, May 12, 2014 at the Colorado City Cemetery, Colorado City.

The family received friends from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday, May 11, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born September 4, 1933 in Colorado City, and married Harold Gainey September 14, 1951 in Westbrook.

Joan graduated as Salutatorian of Westbrook High School in 1950 and won a trip to Chicago in 1949 as the Gold Star 4-H girl in Mitchell County. She attended Howard County Junior College. She moved to Monahans after marrying and reared her family there. She worked as the secretary at Walker Junior High School for 24 years and moved to Big Spring in 1989. She was a loving wife and mother and was known as "Jannie" to her grandchildren.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Monahans and taught Sunday School for many years and was currently a member of First Baptist Church in Big Spring.

Survivors include her husband, Harold Gainey of Big Spring; two sons, Ronnie Gainey and wife, Brenda of Big Spring and Glenn Gainey and wife, Jeanie of Kermit; six grandchildren, Sandra Gainey Dunbar and husband, Rick of Arlington, Dr. Paige Gainey of Dallas, Nick Gainey and wife, Jami of Rowlett, Taylor Gainey of Eastland, Trent Gainey and Allyson Gainey both of Brownwood; and one great-grandson, Beau Alan Gainey of Rowlett.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Doug and Ruth Barber.

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church, 705 W. FM 700, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or to Dora Roberts Rehabilitation, 306 W. 3rd St., Big Spring, Texas 79720.

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

Billie Smith McLain



COLORADO CITY-- Billie Smith McLain, 89, died peacefully at home, surrounded by family, Tuesday, May 6, 2014. Graveside services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, May 10, 2014 at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Joey Bacon officiating.

The family received friends from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Billie graduated from Big Spring High School in 1941, she married Herbie Smith in 1943 in Sweetwater and they had two sons. After Herbie's death, she married Eddie McLain in 1983. Billie worked as a secretary for Cosden Oil and Gas for 43 years. After retirement, she moved to Lake Colorado City. Billie loved reading, mostly true crime, bowling, fishing and sewing. She was an avid Dallas Cowboy fan. She was stubborn but had a heart as big as Texas.

Billie is survived by her husband, Eddie McLain; one son, Tim Smith; one daughter-in-law, Phyllis Smith; four grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herbie; a son, Terry; and two sisters, Lajuan McBride and Janie Bixler.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Howard County Humane Society, P.O. Box 823, Big Spring, Texas 79721-0823.

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

Peggy Sue Williams
1942-2014



COAHOMA-- Peggy Sue Williams, 72, died Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at Martin County Hospital in Stanton. Graveside services were held at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 9,2014 at Coahoma Cemetery with Pastor Doug Shelley of East Side Baptist Church officiating.

She was born January 23, 1942 to Geraldine and J.C. Jackson in Big Spring. She grew up in Colorado City and graduated from Loraine High School. She received her Associates of Arts degree from Howard College. She married Tommy Williams of Loraine in Colorado City and lived most of her life in Howard County. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Coahoma. She worked in the Big Spring State Hospital administration offices until she retired due to ill health. She loved her grandkids, horses, dogs and all animals. She also loved going to Ruidoso, NM.

She is survived by her husband, Tommy Williams of Coahoma; three sons, Robert Williams and wife, Olga of Odessa, Eddie Williams of Big Spring and Michael Williams of Dallas; six grandchildren, Amy Martin of Douglasfield, GA, Robert Tyler Williams of Bakersfield, CA, Kayla Jo Williams of Big Spring, Thomas Froylan Williams of Big Spring, Shaun Williams and Ashley Williams, both of San Francisco; great-grandchildren, Emri Martin of Douglasfield, Haszen Edwards and Jayven Edwards of Big Spring; two sisters, Carol Lloyd of Colorado City and Barbara Welch and husband Adrian of McDowell Ranch; and her special friends, LaBeth Montgomery of Big Spring, Teresa Williams of Big Spring and Adrienne Bides of Forsan.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Geraldine and J.C. Jackson.

Weldon McMillan
1933-2014



COLORADO CITYY-- Mr. Weldon McMillan, age 81, died Tuesday, May 6, 2014, in a local care center. Burial was held at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 9, 2014 in the Handley Cemetery. A memorial service was held at 2 p.m. Friday, May 9, 2014, in the First Baptist Church of Colorado City with Dr. Jerry Shields officiating. Services are under the care and direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Weldon was born March 6, 1933 in Cuthbert to Robert E. and Versie Pace McMillan and had been a lifelong resident of Mitchell County. He married Edna Pearl Joiner on May 8, 1953 in Andrews. She preceded him in death on February 16, 1997. He then married June Black Petty on December 13, 1997 in Colorado City. She preceded him in death on April 21, 2014. He was a farmer and oilfield employee, a veteran of the US Army and a member of the First Baptist Church.

He is survived by five sons, Robert McMillan of Abilene, Kelvin McMillan of Marietta, OK, Karlton McMillan of Colorado City, Kerry Clay of Weatherford and Kraig McMillan of Elbert; two daughters, Karalie Fort of Ira and Kristi Carroll of Bangs; a sister, Lujuana Solomon of Colorado City; and 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He is also preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Robert McMillan, Jr. and a sister, Etta Lee.

Ruby Brookshire
1926-2014

COLORADO CITY-- Mrs. Ruby Brookshire, age 87, died Saturday, May, 10, 2014, in a local care center. Graveside services were held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, 2014, in the Dorn Cemetery with Rev. James Williams officiating. Services are under the care and direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Brookshire was born June 29, 1926, in Paducah to William E. and Cora Mae Bailey Ellis and had been a resident of Mitchell County since 1988. She married Mitchell Brookshire on November 22, 1942 in Cottle County. He preceded her in death on April 19, 2005. She was a member of the Dorn Methodist Church.

She is survived by a daughter, Tommie and husband, James Williams of Colorado City; a son, Jackie Brookshire of Colorado City; a sister, Willie Mae Nolan of Paducah; four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Thamon O. Robinson
1924-2014



BONHAM - Funeral services for Thamon O. "Buddy" Robinson were held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 9, 2014 in the Flanagan-Watts Funeral Home Chapel in Marietta, OK, with Pastor Brett Alberda officiating. Interment, with military honors, was in Lakeview Cemetery, Marietta, under the direction of Flanagan-Watts Funeral Home.

Buddy was born on September 22, 1924 in Marietta, to the late Nina (Hughes) Jackson and Luther Robinson. He passed away Tuesday, May 6, 2014 in the Clyde Cosper Texas State Veterans Home in Bonham at the age of 89.

Mr. Robinson was a member of the United States Army and proudly served during World War II. After returning, he married Mary Lee Oliver on May 13, 1951 in Colorado City. They resided in Westbrook and Lamesa before moving to Sherman in 1968. He then continued his career as a pumper with Chevron Oil Company, retiring in 1987 after 23 years of service. He greatly enjoyed watching his grandchildren grow and being a part of their lives. He was an avid horseman enjoying time spent with family and friends at play days, rodeos, horse shows, and gathered around campfires on trail rides.

Buddy is survived by his two daughters, Carolyn Schmitz and husband Burl of Sherman, and Lawana Downs and husband Mike of Van Alstyne; six grandchildren, Chris Schmitz of McKinney, Heather Schmitz of Sherman, Guinnevere Simons of Bells, Mike Downs, Jr. of Tom Bean, Trey Downs of Sherman and Shelby Downs of Denton; along with nine great-grandchildren; and sisters, Edna Hill and Bonnie Glenn of Marietta.

Buddy was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Mary Lee Robinson; parents, Nina Jackson and Luther Robinson; brothers, Raymond, George, and Billy Robinson; and a son, Wayne Robinson.

There is no doubt that Buddy, as well as many others born of his generation, was a testament of the Greatest Generation. He will be missed.

Casket bearers were Mike Downs, Burl Schmitz, Trey Downs, Chris Schmitz, Mike Downs, Jr. and Kirk Simons.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

The online register book can be signed at www.wattsfuneralhome.com.

Construction projects planned for Mitchell County Hospital

According to Mitchell County Hospital District CEO Robbie Dewberry, plans for the new rural health clinic are 97% complete and construction documents about 94% complete. Speaking to the Lions Club Friday, he said that with the documents submitted to the state this week, he hopes to have approval by the first week of June to begin construction.

One of the purposes of the new clinic is to open up the existing facility to physicians visiting MCH as specialty clinic providers. Currently, only one specialty clinic doctor can see patients due to a lack of space, but use of the current Family Medical Association for the specialty clinic will open up the practice to four doctors per day once the new clinic is built.

Hospital administrators have worked hard in recent years to pay off the hospital's debt. As of now, the only debt remaining for MCHD is bond payments which will end in 2020. The supreme financial management means that the $2.2 million clinic will not require the sale of bonds to complete construction.

"There won't be any new bonds," Dewberry told Lions. "It may even be possible to fund half of the costs through the hospital's budget." He added that the latter is unsure, as healthcare facilities cost more to build. "We will know more when bids are opened," he said.

In looking to the future, Dewberry said that the current board is shooting toward a goal of putting in an assisted-living facility, as well as a new nursing home, on the hospital's grounds. Land has been purchased adjacent to the hospital's lots in preparation for the facilities.

Valley Fair Lodge is 54 years old and still connected to the old hospital building located on Chestnut Street. This connection makes demolishing the vacant building cost prohibitive. For now, the windows will be boarded up and the building painted to be more pleasing to the eye.

When construction of the clinic is complete, the board will begin looking to draw up plans for a 16 to 18-bed assisted living facility. "We may even be able to work on both projects at the same time," Dewberry said, speaking about the assisted-living facility and nursing home.

He said that, right now, construction of a new nursing home looks like it would be a two-year project, and he estimated costs at $4 million. However, the future is uncertain, and Dewberry is fully aware of the inability to predict future circumstances.

He told club members that Mitchell County Hospital now has a fully-operational security system. All outer doors lock at 9 p.m., and emergency room visitors should push the button provided near the ER door to make employees aware of the need for service. All doors reopen at 6 a.m. each morning.

The hospital has converted to electronic medical records, and Dewberry said the staff is now working to create Patient Portals. The online portals would allow patients to access their medical records, lab results, x-rays and other documents. He said he hopes the feature will be up and running July 1st.

He reported increased usage of the hospital's Wellness Program. The program allows the public to use physical therapy equipment for $20 per month.

He said that the program is growing. There were a little over 1,000 visits during the last two years, but since advertising the service, there have been 1,383 visits in 2014 alone. Dewberry credits a great physical therapy staff as the reason for the program's success.

Dewberry said that board members, Jerry Reynolds, Florence Bodine, Mark Merrell, Cheryl Warren, Patty Pharis, and Hollis Gainey, should be commended for their forward-thinking which is pointing Mitchell County Hospital District in the right direction.

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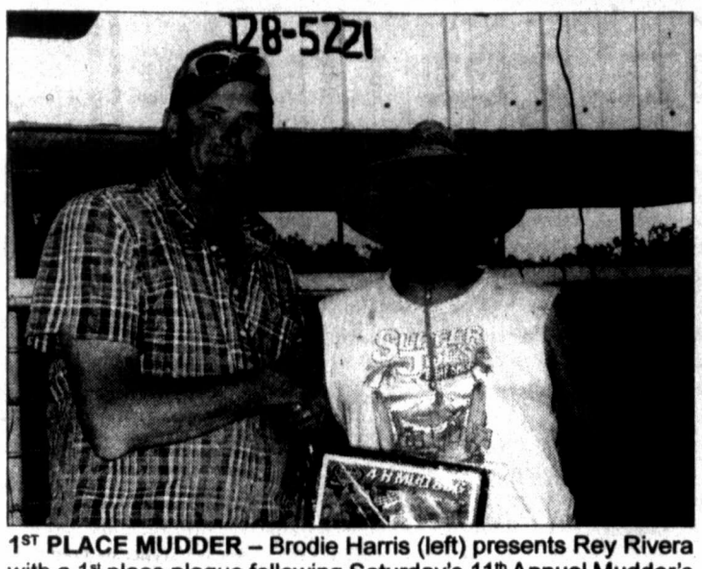
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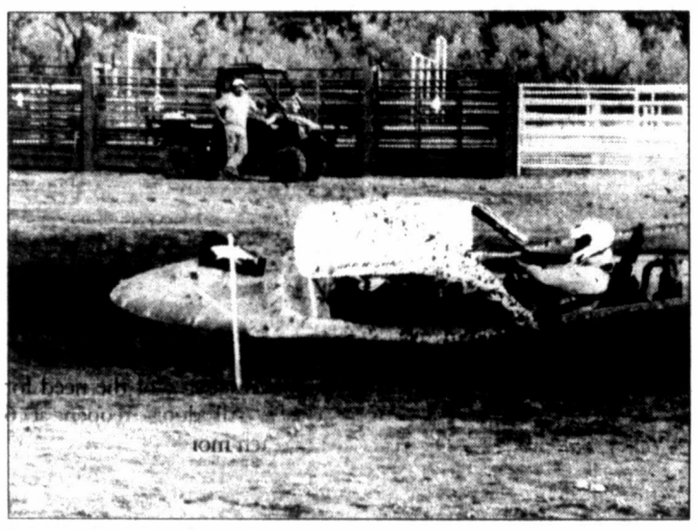
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1ST PLACE MUDDER – Brodie Harris (left) presents Rey Rivera with a 1st place plaque following Saturday's 11th Annual Mudder's Day Weekend Mud Bog. Rivera was the top finisher in the Stock Class. *Photo courtesy of AgriLife Extension office.*



2ND PLACE MUDDER – Artie Rivera (right) placed 2nd in the Stock Class at the 4-H mud bog held Saturday at the Mitchell County Arena. Brodie Harris presented Rivera with a plaque following the final runs. *Photo courtesy of AgriLife Extension office.*



CAP'N CHAD – Chad Pinkerton merged a boat with a mud truck to enter a unique vehicle in the 11th Annual Mudder's Day Mud Bog last weekend. *Photo courtesy of AgriLife Extension office.*

Mudders, crowd enjoy bog

47 vehicles participate in muddy event

The mud was flying this weekend at the 11th Annual Mudder's Day Weekend Mud Bog. The local 4-H fundraiser brought lots of mudding trucks, as well as spectators, to the Mitchell County Arena.

Over 250 mud bog fans came through the gate on Saturday to watch 47 vehicles take their turn in the mud pit. Mudders came from San Antonio; Hobbs, New Mexico; Roswell, New Mexico; Odessa; Sweetwater; Big Spring; Snyder; Roscoe; Rotan; Abilene; Seminole and Colorado City to participate in the annual event.

Local rookie, Ronnie Sumruld, took the opportunity to gain some experience in the sport. Saturday marked his initiation into mud bogging, and he said he plans to continue to compete.

As always, children had the chance to take off their shoes and run through the pit during intermission between preliminary and final runs. This year, a special run was held, bringing in $1,250 for the 4-H.

Several individuals and companies, including Mickey Neff, Wood's Boot, Red Rock, Carolyn Redwine, Browne Bros., and Trey Womack, pledged the donations to see Gretchen Maddox, Mason Maddox, Audra Graves and Breanna Midwell take a run through the pit.

Supporters of the Lone Wolf 4-H chapter also sold t-shirts and cozies and offered delicious hamburgers, cheeseburgers, nachos, sausage wraps and hot dogs at the concession stand.

Results of the mud bog follow.

Stock Class

1st - Rey Rivera, Colorado City
2nd - Artie Rivera, Colorado City
3rd - Chris Scott, Snyder
4th - Mick Martin, Colorado City

Super Stock Class

1st - Adam Gomez, Rotan
2nd - Freddy Salazar, Colorado City
3rd - Donny Scott, Hobbs, NM
4th - Alisa Owens, Colorado City
5th - Justin Wright, Rotan

Modified Class

1st - Justin Davis, Seminole
2nd - Raymond Martinez, Colorado City
3rd - Chad Pinkerton, Colorado City
4th - Glen Owens, Colorado City
5th - John Espinoza

Open Class

1st - Mark Macy, Hobbs, NM
2nd - Charlie Rich, Hobbs, NM
3rd - Abel Alvarez, Colorado City
4th - Russell Reid, Odessa

First Generation to be shown at Loraine ISD

Loraine ISD will be the site of a special screening of the award-winning and highly acclaimed movie, *First Generation*. Everyone is welcome to attend the screenings which will be held in the school cafetorium on Thursday and Friday, May 15th and 16th at 5 p.m. each evening.

Narrated by Golden Globe nominee Blair Underwood, *First Generation* tells the story of four high school students - an inner city athlete, a small town waitress, a Samoan warrior dancer, and the daughter of migrant field workers - who set out to break the cycle of poverty and bring hope to their families and communities by pursuing a college education.

Shot over the course of three years and featuring some of our nation's top educational experts (Richard Kahlenberg, The Century Foundation; J.B. Schramm, College Summit; Dr. Bill Tierney, University of Southern California), this 95 minute documentary explores the problem of college access faced by first generation and low-income students and how their success has major implications for the future of our nation.

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TUMBLEWEED SMITH
Backstage at speeches

I've been making speeches to various groups since 1973 when I made my first chamber of commerce speech in Dumas, Texas. Of all the things I do to make a living (newspaper column, radio program, producing commercials and documentaries), I guess speaking is the most fun. It is fantastic to look out at a room full of people and see them smiling and laughing. I love to see lots of teeth as I glance at a happy audience from the podium or stage. All my speeches are about Texas humor and I've spoken in nearly a dozen states and four foreign countries.

It's not quite correct to call them speeches. They are more like audio presentations. I use the voices of some of the humorous people I've interviewed the past 45 years. In a 35-minute speech I'll use about 15 recorded voices of people telling stories or mentioning first person experiences. I do a 55-minute one-man show that is the same format as speeches, only longer, with more voices. Most of the time the audience doesn't know where the other voices are coming from. I'll introduce a segment, then another voice comes over the PA system. After a speech I've actually had people ask me if I do all the voices.

The recorded voices are coming from an ipod my wife Susan is operating. Usually she sits near me at a speech or near the stage when I do my one-man show. She has just been operating the equipment a few years. I used to do it. I like it this way better. When I first started speaking I used jokes. When I was asked to speak at a Petroleum Short Course at Texas Tech in the mid 70's, I knew oilmen would be in the audience, so I got a bunch of my interviews with funny guys in the oil patch, edited them down and put together a program. It went over big.

I went home and created a program of humorous Texans from all over the state. My first audience with this new show was my wife and two sons in our living room. They laughed all the way through it. I was encouraged and have used the voices ever since.

We have had some experiences. Once the electricity went off at a chamber banquet in Van Horn. Someone brought in a generator. Another time we made a speech on an outdoor stage that had a street in front of it. The audience was in pickup tailgates and lawn chairs across the street. Occasionally a vehicle would pass in front of the stage and the driver would wave and shout greetings to his friends. In Lubbock I was giving a presentation to a historical group and they had come from a party with free flowing alcohol.

I usually love a well-oiled audience, but this one was rowdy. Nobody was listening. About 20 minutes into my speech the organizer came up and asked me how much longer I was going to be on stage. I think if she had a hook she would have yanked me off. My most recent speech was to the Texas Retired Teachers Association's annual convention in Dallas. I discovered the shirt I had chosen to wear for the speech had French cuffs but I had no cuff links with me. Susan whipped out the dental floss, threaded it through the cuff link openings and none of the 1100 people in the audience knew anything about my customized cufflinks.

How do you get there?

By Charles Earnest Porter

If you aren't among the people living in Mitchell County before 1955, it's probable that you aren't really familiar with a scenic area named Seven Wells. It lies about seven miles south of Colorado City and is the spot at which North Champion Creek and South Champion Creek join each other.

If you were trying to find Seven Wells back in the 1930s, it wasn't so hard. You drove up Main Street (U.S. 80) to the top of East Hill, where the Round Top Café was located. You took the right fork off the highway and then turned onto Austin Street, which would head you south on a section-line road.

In just a short distance, you would cross the Texas & Pacific railroad tracks. Then there would be the home of Dr. Delaney on the right side of the road. He was one of the local dentists. His house was unique in that it was built out of native stone boulders.

There wasn't much to note about the next four or five miles of road except that it always seemed to be dusty. Then you came to a crossroad. I am told that there was a red-roofed school building there at one time, the Seven Wells Elementary School, but that was a tad before my time.

You turned left, to the east, and traveled for about a mile, then turned right (south) through a barbed wire fence gate and you were on Seven Wells property. After another few hundred yards, you were driving on a bare yellow-brown sandstone outcrop area. Guess what. If you looked closely enough, you could tell that the sandstone was cross-bedded, probably deposited along a curve in a really ancient river bed.

How about that? You've learned a little geology.

Is there another way to find the Seven Wells area? Of course there is, particularly if you have some sort of internet apparatus. Let's try finding it using Google Earth.

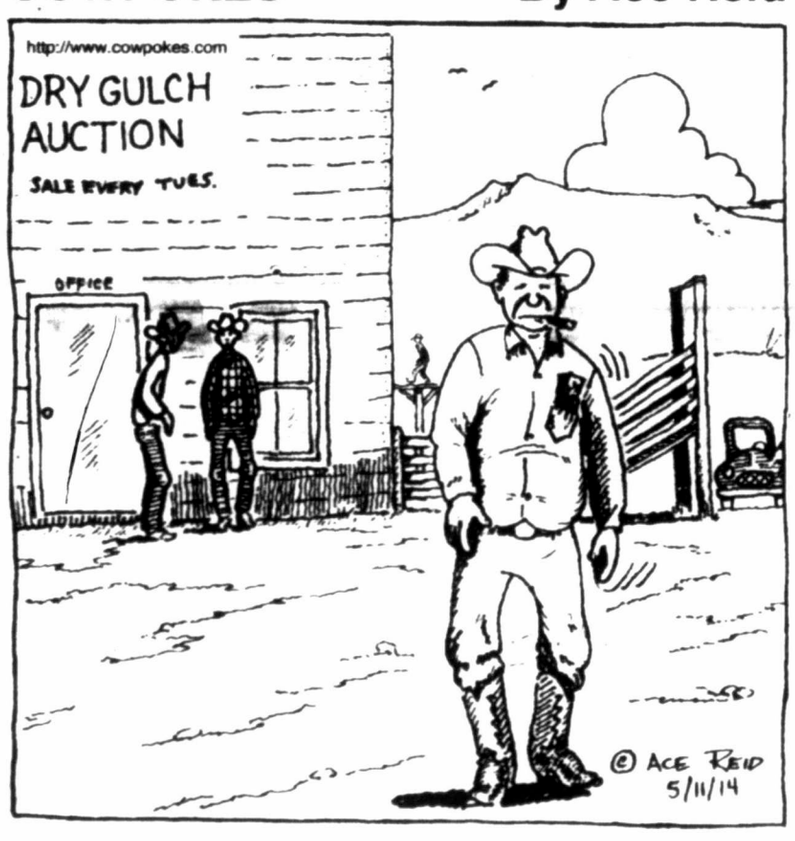
Pull up Google Earth, put "Colorado City TX" into the search area, then click on it. You will find aerial photos of the city coming into view. Find the business route of I-20 heading east and follow it until you see and recognize the city cemetery on the left. You want to turn right on the curved road which puts you headed south on State Hwy. 208 toward Silver, Robert Lee, and San Angelo.

After about a quarter mile, you will cross the old Texas & Pacific tracks. Then, after another quarter mile, you have the chance to see a truly ancient artifact on your right, a large black water tank sitting on its end. I don't know the date of its erection, but it occurred long before I was born. It has always been black. Again, look for it using Google Earth; it casts a big shadow. Is it still in use?

Several miles later, you will find yourself going into a valley. You can see two bridges crossing two streams -- North and South Champion Creeks. And there off to the right is our scenic area -- Seven Wells.

What will the next episode be?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

I did an experiment this morning. I flipped a coin 25 times and counted the heads. Then I flipped that coin 25 times and prayed while it was in the air.

I had about the same incidence of heads.

Now if prayer had netted me more heads:

1. I would have grabbed the next plane to Vegas.
2. I would have prayed for rain in Mitchell County by sun down.
3. I would have called my praying water witchers
4. If the "Lord" intervined in any of the above I would keep "him" busy from now on.

I so envy my associates who have better luck. I envy, even more these who get divine intervention. If you have a better track record—have I got a dual for you?

Perhaps you who pray can correct my technique. Believe? Easy for you to say. Playing the odds has given me an edge, but it takes so many tosses. Bet you who pray a lot – especially publicly – are doing much better.

I notice most of you lie, cheat or steal. Do I need to start?

Troy Powell

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Letter to the Editor:

My name is Woody Kidd. I live in Colorado City. I was arrested in front of my mother's house in Roscoe by the Roscoe Police Department on Thursday, April 03, 2014 and taken to the Nolan County Jail. The warrant came out of Mitchell County and I had bonded out of jail. They said indecent exposure of which I have no clue about this. If the person who made this statement would please come forward and talk to me in person about how (he, she) came up with this I would appreciate it.

This incident has caused me much pain and suffering to have people think badly about my character. If I have offended anyone I ask for their forgiveness. If I can make things right with anyone I would like to have the opportunity to do so.

If what I have written should speak to your heart and conscience would you please get in touch with me and I will try to make things right with you and go forward in a positive direction from here on out.

Thank you in advance for your much needed consideration. You may call me at (325) 766-3344 and leave a message or call me at (325) 728-0773.

Thank you and God bless you is my prayer to you.

Woody Kidd

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Letter to the Editor:

Dear Mitchell County Residents,

We will be forever grateful for the opportunity to hold our vintage market, Petticoats on the Prairie, in Mitchell County for the last three years. We would like to thank David Hoover and his staff, the City Council as well as Judge Ray May, Jesse Munoz and the County Commissioners for their support.

Unfortunately, we have made the very difficult decision to not do the fall show in Colorado City. At this time, there is now a competing show scheduled for the same weekend as Petticoats on the Prairie in Colorado City. We have never felt comfortable having our show the same weekend, in the same city, as another show. Having a dual show in a city creates many issues with our accommodations, facilities and dilutes the sales of the vendors. Since the new show is not interested in having their show on another weekend, we feel we have no other choice but to change venues.

Thank you again to all who have been supportive of Petticoats of the Prairie.

Co-Producers,
Mary Smith, Cat Geiger
and Cecilia Scott

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LOCAL NEWS

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expenditure recently requested by the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department. Chief Rick Goodney came before the court a couple of weeks ago to ask for the county to commit to spending $3,500 to help the department purchase new wildland fire gear.

County Auditor Heidi Harris informed the court that of the $75,000 budgeted for the county's three fire departments, there is over $48,000 left in the account. The county's contribution of $3,500 will be added to $3,500 from the City of Colorado City and $4,500 from the CCVFD to purchase the gear. The $11,500 price tag pays for 27 sets of wildland gear for firefighters.

Approval was given to Sunoco Pipeline to cross County Roads 369, 365, 262, 264, 250, 260, 161, 155 and 157. The company will be boring under the county roads to install 20" and 24" pipeline that extends from Garden City to the China Grove facility. Sunoco representatives said they will be working directly with respective commissioners for the easements needed to cross 16 more roads in the county.

A bid of $26,900 was approved to roof the Precinct 4 barn. Commissioner Bill Preston suggested that the final payment be withheld until all work had been completed to the court's satisfaction. Fellow commissioners agreed.

Bids were opened but not awarded during the meeting for the desalination plant. West Texas Water Well Services of Odessa bid $335,000 to drill two test wells. Project Manager Kenny Whisenant of Lauren Engineering was present for the meeting, along with Sue Young of the Board of Economic Development.

Commissioner Jeremy Strain asked if the test wells were being drilled because the two wells that have been completed are not producing enough water. Whisenant said that the two wells are producing water but not enough volume for processing by the desal plant.

"I think it's kinda' a waste of money," Strain said of the test wells. "I guess I don't understand the need for a test well. I mean, why can't the well be drilled and either there's water or there's not? We drilled a test well the last time, and that's the well that doesn't have water."

Whisenant said that he can check with the engineering firm, and get back with commissioners on the need for the test wells.

A bid was submitted by Hidalgo Commercial & Industrial Services for the construction of several buildings and concrete slabs for the facility, as well as the installation of chainlink fencing. The total bid amounted to $238,221.

The company also submitted a bid to provide and install the 6" pipeline that will be needed to transport the desalinated water to the water storage tank in Westbrook, where it will then be used by Mitchell County Utility.

After opening the bids, Young stayed to give an update on the power plant. She said she is waiting to hear when groundbreaking will take place. Commissioner Jesse Muñoz asked if it would be before May 20th like power plant officials had previously announced.

Young said, "I can't answer that, not on the spot like this." She suggested that commissioners contact the power plant officials directly for the specific information.

ELECTIONS

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received 43.

Mayor Ramiro Fuentes was re-elected to serve another term as mayor of the City of Westbrook, beating his opponent by only four votes. Fuentes received 22 votes in Saturday's election, while his opponent, Norman "Willie" Harrell had 18.

Lynn Gaston ran unopposed and received 34 votes, and Elida Fuentes also ran unopposed for a seat on the Westbrook City Council. Fuentes received 25 votes.

Five candidates ran for three at-large seats on the Loraine ISD Board of Trustees. Frank Sanchez received 101 votes, Joe Lujan received 81 and John Chaney received 75 votes to be elected to the board. Geory Martin got 60 votes and Ron Gibson had 57, not quite enough to win a seat.

VOTING

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Clerk. As there is no Democratic nominee for the position.

Election Day for the run-off is set for Tuesday, May 27th, the day after Memorial Day. Polls will open that morning at 7 a.m. and close that evening at 7 p.m.

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The air will be filled with exceptional patriotism, as those gathered will remember, honor and celebrate those who gave so much for freedom. There are 58,267 names now listed on the Vietnam Memorial Wall in the nation's capital. There are three sets of fathers and sons on the Wall and 31 sets of brothers. The people who gave it all for liberty are the reason the riders ride.

Riders in the cross-country motorcycle trip to the Vietnam Memorial Wall will be observing the 25th anniversary of first Run for the Wall. A luncheon and entertainment are provided each year by Colorado Middle School personnel and students for the veterans and supporters making the trip. The riders will make a thunderous entrance into Colorado City that Saturday and make their way to the Railhead Building.

For 25 years, riders from all across America have gathered in Southern California to begin a 10-day adventure that would take them to the memorial wall. The ride began as a way to bring awareness and to honor the prisoners of war and missing in action that served this nation but never returned home.

In the past, there have been two Run for the Wall routes, one northern and one southern. This year, a third route has been added. CMS Principal Mark Merrell said that he hopes to see many local citizens at the event to show the community's support.

Over the years, students have developed approximately 400 display boards, which go along with a CMS program "Real History, Real Heroes". The first year of Run for the Wall, 86 riders attended. Merrell said organizers plan to feed over 600 riders, local veterans and community members this year.

Stories of sacrifices made will humble those in attendance, and celebrations of freedom will ring in the Railhead Building on May 17th. The luncheon will provide an opportunity for all to learn about what has been given and what continues to be given for the freedom U.S. citizens enjoy. So, make plans to attend and, if you're able, contact the Colorado Middle School to volunteer at 325-728-2673.

WALLACE

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were: Billy Allen, Beverly Cogburn, Lisa Fallin, Cheryl Lee, Josie Ortegon, Kristina Guerra, Lynn Hill, Guillermo Hernandez, Gloria Davila, Marcelo Alvarez, Johnny Rivera, Warden Charles Vondra, Timothy Hyde, Galen Sorrells, Frank Sanchez, Gilbert Arellano, David Pinkerton, Richard Linebaugh, Tommy Rodriquez, Donny Lowrance, Edward Riley and Philip Vigil.

Chaplain Edward Riley honored volunteers who have spent countless hours working with offenders in ministry. He presented a plaque to Floyd Ritchey, a representative of the 22nd & Austin Sts. Church of Christ. Riley said the group has put in over 17,000 hours volunteering at the Wallace Unit. He also said the volunteers are responsible for preparing several offenders to be productive citizens when they are released.

Region V Director Jason Heaton was also present for the ceremony. He congratulated Wallace Unit staff and officials, and said that he is pleased with his decision to work at the unit in Colorado City.

"It was the best decision I ever made in my life," Heaton said. "I always tell everybody that the citizens here are the smartest in Texas because of the way they support TDCJ and the units here."

A slide show displaying many photos of staff members throughout the last 20 years took those attending down memory lane. The ceremony coincided with Correctional Officer Appreciation Week, and Warden Vondra took the opportunity to express his thanks to all the staff at both the Wallace and Ware Units.

The 80 John Wallace Unit opened in May of 1994.

COUNCIL

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600,000 miles on it, but Hoover said diesel engines like this one are often seen with over a million miles on them."It's a good vehicle for that price," he said.

The resignation of Sue Craighead from the Housing Authority Board was accepted, and Cindy Jones was apponted as a new member on the board.

Amie Wood was appointed to serve on the Heart of West Texas Museum Board.

The council gave Police Chief Luis Aguilar to pursue a COPS Grant. Aguilar said the federal grant would make it possible to hire another police officer by paying 75% of the new officer's salary for three years. The city would have to pay 25% of the salary for the three years and agree to keep the officer on the force for another year after the initial three.

The grant is not a sure thing, as Chief Aguilar said it is a competitiive grant with many law enforcement agencies bying for the funds.

If the grant is awarded to the city, Aguilar said he would like to see the extra officer used as a School Resource Officer. He has approached CISD Superintendent Reggy Spencer who is in favor of the idea.

Aguilar said he hopes the school board may be interested in supplying funds for the 25% salary for the first three years. He will present his request to the CISD Board of Trustees in the meeting Thursday night.

Besides being available at CISD schools, the officer would also provide relief to the police department, as he/she would be available for patrol during the summer and on holidays.

Councilman Andrew Fuller urged his fellow councilmen to consider the coming growth. "I think this is a very good stepping stone to getting another officer we may need in the future," he said.

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BUDDING ARTISTS – Colorado High School students (back row, l-r) Brittany Rivera, Alesia Bean, Jeffrey DeLaPaz, Samara Miller, Joseph Franco, Jeremy Denton, Israel Beltran; (front row) Tommy James, Anna Rodriquez and Adrian Arguijo, were named winners in the Children's Art Show hosted by the West Texas Art Guild. Their artwork in on display in the Mitchell County Public Library until May 23rd. *Photo courtesy of Linda Mathis.*



ARTISTS IN TRAINING – Colorado Middle School students (l-r) Karen Barrera, Issac DeLaPaz, Reid Harris and Miriam Hernandez entered artwork in the Children's Art Show put on each year by the West Texas Art Guild. The students were chosen as winners in the 12-14 age division. *Photo courtesy of Linda Mathis.*

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Children's Art Show draws 139 entries

The Children's Art show is sporting 139 entries this year, making it the largest show sponsored by the West Texas Art Guild. All artwork is displayed in the Mitchell County Public Library until May 23rd.

Visitors viewing the display can see the progression through age divisions of how a child develops artistic talent from a very young age to that of an 18-year-old.

"For many thousands of years, throughout history, man has expressed himself through art. Having this outlet is very important to each and every one of us as human beings," art guild founder Carolyn Walker said recently. "Without art and artists, everything we have such as clothing, vehicles, buildings of all sorts, furniture, etc. would not exist."

Results of the show follow.

Best of Show – Jeremy Denton

Age 1-5

Eleanor Holbrook, 1st; Zoey Sikes, 2nd; Katy Mae Sheets, 3rd; Emma Hopkins, 4th

Ages 6-8

Josephine Helm, 1st; Evelyn Helm, 2nd; Merick Alvarez, 3rd; Cooper Cane, 4th

Ages 9-11

Ashlin Alvarez, 1st; Bryce Alvarez, 2nd; Katy Helm, 3rd; Isabel Helm, 4th; Tori Smith; Zack Worley

Ages 12-14

Miriam Hernandez, 1st; Tommy James, 2nd; Randall Dixon, 3rd; Joe Franco, 4th; Reid Harris; Issac DeLaPaz; Karen Barrera

Ages 15-18

Jeffrey DeLaPaz, 1st; Alesia Bean, 2nd; Jaci Smith, 3rd; Israel Beltran, 4th; Anna Rodriquez; Osvaldo Lopez; Adrian Arguijo; Samara Miller; Brittany Rivera

Long attends annual Hochheim meeting

Joan Long, from Loraine, a delegate of Branch 214, to the Hochheim Prairie Farm Mutual Insurance Association, attended the May 5, 2014 state meeting in Yoakum.

The three proposed Constitutional Amendments on the agenda, were defeated, after much discussion.

Amendment

1.) Change the frequency of state meetings.

2.) Allow branches to meet annually or biannually.

3.) Hold a district meeting when there is a director election or as called for by the district director or association president.

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Toni Perales Gutierrez and Marcus Roberts

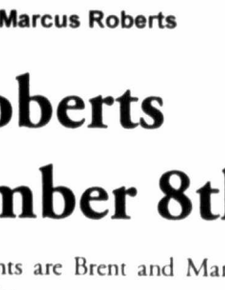
Gutierrez, Roberts to wed November 8th

The parents of Toni Perales Gutierrez and Marcus Wayne Roberts are pleased to announce the engagement of their children.

The bride is the daughter of Esther Perales. The groom's parents are Brent and Mary Jo Shafer.

A wedding is planned for November 8, 2014 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Colorado City.

The bride is a graduate of Westbrook ISD, earned a Masters of Education in Counseling from Sul Ross State University, and currently serves as the Director of the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley. The groom is a graduate of Colorado ISD, alumni of Eastern Arizona College, and currently serves as Production Coordinator for National Oilwell Varco in San Angelo.


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LOCAL NEWS



RUNNING FOR THE VETS – Anna Judd is running across America to raise awareness of veterans' challenges. She was in Colorado City last week on her way to New York City.

Anna runs America to help veterans

An artist at heart, Anna Melissa Judd, is inspired by people and cultures from different parts of the world. With that description in mind, one might find it odd that Anna can be found running across the United States.

Judd stayed overnight last Wednesday in the Church of Christ parking lot in her RV, along with a small crew, her friend she calls Robot and another friend, Matt Miller. Reaching Colorado City marked an almost halfway point in her journey from Venice Beach, California to the Freedom Tower in New York City.

About a year and a half ago, Judd made the decision to run across the United States as a way to bring awareness to veterans' issues and to raise funds for veterans' charities in the process.

A subject close to Judd's heart is the horrific suicide rate among veterans. She wants the service men and women to know that there are other options, such as strenuous activity, community involvement and meditation that could help improve situations.

Besides bringing awareness to the veteran platform, Judd is raising money for veterans' charities like Team Red, White, Blue; Charity Miles; the Wounded Warrior Project; Tour of Duty and Operation Mindful Warrior.

She began her run on March 22nd from the Venice Beach Pier in California and hopes to make it to the Freedom Tower in New York City in late July. She's had the opportunity to meet veterans along the way, some of whom have joined her for a short leg of the run.

She said that she met a female veteran in Duncan, Arizona, that came out and ran seven miles with her. The woman shared her experiences with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder with Judd.

"It just made me more inspired," Judd said. "I just want them (veterans) to keep fighting."

Judd has also had the opportunity to face several challenges along the route. She said that some days the challenges are physical and some days the "mental monsters" come out. "On those days I just have to dig deeper," she said.

The runner said that it's a full-time job just to take care of her. Support team members are busy cooking, making ice baths and seeing to all the physical and mental needs of the long-distance runner. The first week of the run, Judd sprained both ankles.

Running through West Texas has brought on its own special hardships. "The heat is the newest challenge," Judd said, adding that she is changing her schedule up to run at night to make the most of cooler temperatures.

Anyone interested can donate to any of the charities Judd supports, including Team RWB. Team Red, White and Blue (Team RWB), one of Judd's favorite charities, gives veterans consistent, local opportunities for veterans and the community to connect through physical and social activity. According to the group's website, "Team RWB's mission is to enrich the lives of America's veterans by connecting them to their community."

Judd said that local runners and walkers can also raise money for their favorite charity by getting the app Charity Miles on their phone. When they go for a walk or run, the app tracks the distance traveled and corporations donate 25 cents for every mile traveled to the charity of one's choice.

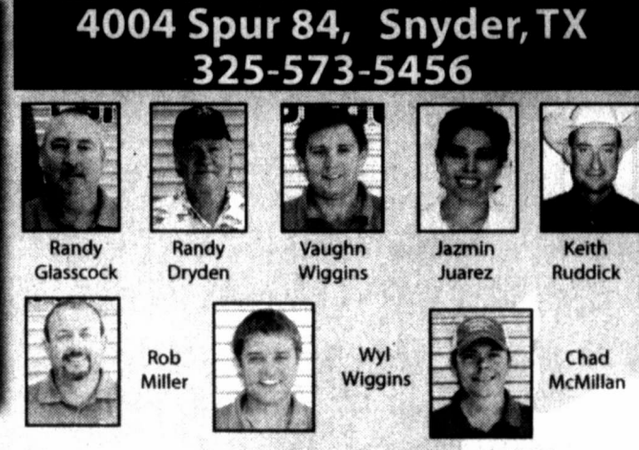
For more information on the run or the veterans' charities, visit her website: www.annarunsamerica.com.

While Judd's cause is veterans, she urges people to pick a cause dear to them and get busy. "It's important for people to pick a cause they are passionate about," she said.

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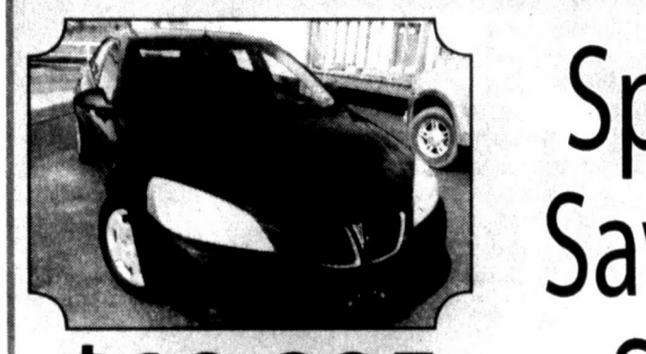


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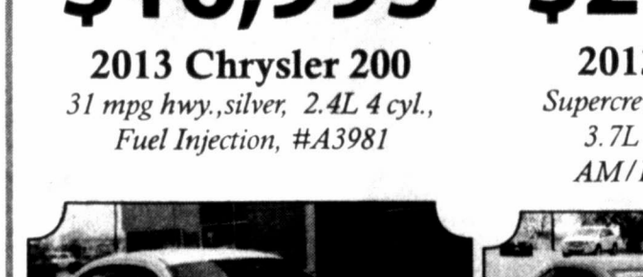
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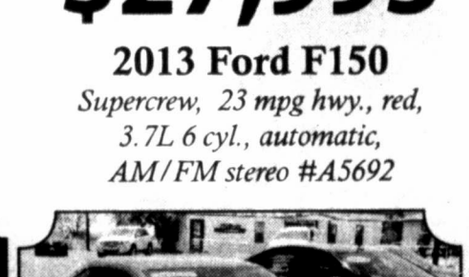
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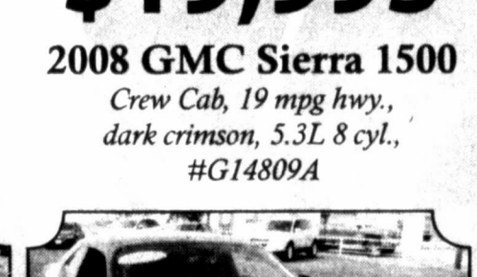
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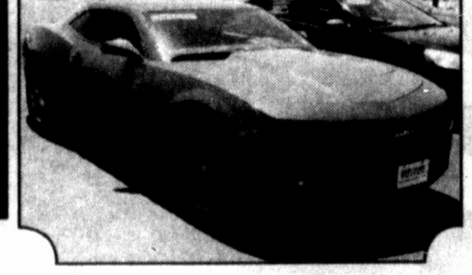
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THE NEXT STEP – Seniors at Colorado High School get to decorate ceiling tiles to mark the paths they will follow once they graduate from high school. Once they graduate, students get to take the tiles with them. *Photo courtesy of Marina Wilcox.*



OUR OWN WAY – Colorado High School seniors Kenzie Douglas, Ashlyn Kildow, Cason Smith, Josh Sutton, Ricky Roman and Taylor Griffith, along with their fellow classmates, have decorated ceiling tiles to denote where they will go after graduation. *Photo courtesy of Marina Wilcox.*

Students of the week named at Hutchinson



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – Karli Shrode, Jorden Matos and Danakia Espinoza have been named students of the week at Hutchinson Elementary this week. *Photo courtesy of Christy Myers.*

Students of the Week at Hutchinson Elementary are Karli Shrode, Jorden Matos and Danakia Espinoza.

Karli is a 3rd grader in Mrs. Free's class. Her favorite subject is math. She has a dog named Rockco. Her favorite thing about Hutch is going to P.E.

Jorden is a 4th grader in Mrs. Godina's class. She has a dog named Sadie. Her favorite subject is math. Her favorite thing about Hutch is the teachers.

Danakia is a 5th grader in Mrs. Gainey's class. Her favorite subject is reading. She had a dog named Jessie who she plays tug of war with. Her favorite thing about Hutchinson is learning.

Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about

- the market or appraised value of your property
- the unequal appraisal of your property
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- the ownership of property
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board (ARB) that applies to and adversely affects you

Informal Review

Insert description of appraisal district's informal review process, if any, then give name and telephone number of person taxpayer should contact.)

You must file a written protest with the appraisal district. A person with the appraisal district will call you to set up an appointment for you to meet with an appraiser or you can call the office at 325-728-5028.

Review by the ARB

If you cannot resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the ARB.

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You will receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening or on a Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD plans to introduce at the hearing to establish any matter at issue. The law provides that before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your agent and the CAD shall each provide the other with a copy of any written material intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. In most cases, the CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented.

In certain protests the chief appraiser has the burden of proving the property's value by clear and convincing evidence. You should review ARB hearing procedures to learn more about evidence and related matters. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office or from the Comptroller of Public Accounts at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxforms/50-132.pdf.

You should not try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they have not talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court, an Arbitrator or SOAH

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you are not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 60 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. In certain cases, as an alternative to filing an appeal in district court, you may file, not later than the 45th day after you receive notice of the ARB order, a request for binding arbitration with the county appraisal district. In certain cases, you may appeal to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). An appeal to SOAH is initiated by, not later than the 30th day after you receive notice of the ARB's order, filing with the chief appraiser of the county appraisal district a notice of appeal. Appeals to district court, binding arbitration or SOAH all require payment of certain fees or deposits.

Tax Payment

You must pay either the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More Information

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at *(insert appraisal district name, address, telephone number)*

Mitchell County Appraisal District
2112 Hickory Street
Colorado City, Texas 79512
(325) 728-5028 or email mcad1@sbcglobal.net

You can get additional information on how to prepare a protest from the Comptroller's publication, *Property Tax Basics*, available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division's website at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/basics/96-1425.pdf.

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*

Usual Deadline

On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the ARB approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change did not result from a protest you filed), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

(You may insert deadline for protests concerning omitted property if doing so would avoid taxpayer confusion.)

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually Feb. 1) or no later than the 125th day after the date you claim you received a tax bill from one or more of the taxing units that tax your property. The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

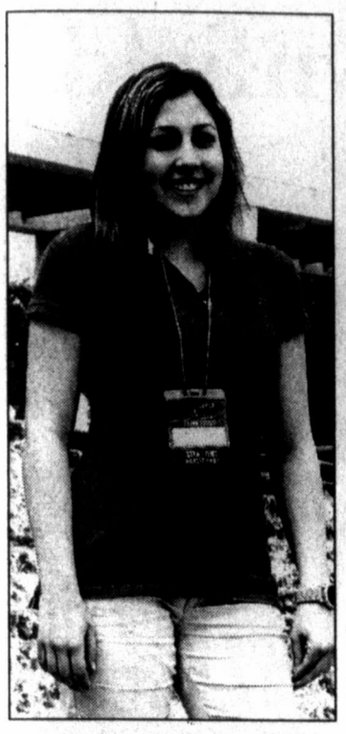
* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.



CHEERLEADERS—The cheerleaders and mascot for CHS have been chosen for the 2014-2015 school year. The mascot is August Lane and the cheerleaders are Jayden Griffith, Taegen Harris, Baylie Lindsey, Cassie Sutton, Desiree Martinez, Tamren Pierce, Taylor Epperson and Kascey Miller. *Photo courtesy of Valerie Epperson.*

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SCHOOL NEWS



JUNIOR CAREER INVESTIGATION-- Jennifer Rivera competed in the Junior Division of Career Investigation. Jennifer interviewed boutique owners and researched the Clothing Boutique career. *Photo courtesy of Judy Merrell.*



SENIOR CAREER INVESTIGATION --Mason Maddox competed in the Career Investigation Senior division at the State FCCLA Meeting and received a 6th place. Mason job shadowed at the Mitchell Co. Vet Clinic and researched the vet career. *Photo courtesy of Judy Merrell.*



FOCUS ON THE CHILDREN STAR EVENT--Amor Carrillo competed in the Focus on the Children Star Event at the State FCCLA State Conference and received a 3rd place. Amor and the Child Development class worked with the Kindergarten students on the importance of exercise and eating right. *Photo courtesy of Judy Merrell.*



SPORTS NUTRITION-- Jisell Ventura and M'Leah Alexander competed in the Sports Nutrition Star Event at the State FCCLA Meeting and received a 6th place. Jisell and M'Leah planned and evaluated meal plans for an athlete at Colorado High School. *Photo courtesy of Judy Merrell.*



SPORTS NUTRITION SENIOR DIVISION-- Marissa Parras and Ramsey Alvarez competed in the Sports Nutrition Senior Division at the State FCCLA Meeting. Marissa and Ramsey planned meals and analyzed a Colorado High School athlete's diet. *Photo courtesy of Judy Merrell.*

SCHOOL MENUS

Kelley Elementary
Breakfast Menu
May 19th- 23rd

Monday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or apple strudel, string cheese, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or breakfast club, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or cinnamon breakfast pastry, yogurt, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or breakfast burrito, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or French toast sticks, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Hutchinson, CMS, CHS & Wallace
Breakfast Menu
May 19th- 23rd

Monday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or chicken-n-waffles or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or oatmeal muffin square or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or Texas toast, eggs, sausage or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or Breakfast blub or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday – Dry cereal w/Texas toast or biscuit w/gravy, sausage patty or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Colorado ISD
Lunch Menu
May 19th- 23rd

Monday – Cheese pizza, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday – Chicken quesadilla, black beans, baby carrots, salsa, orange smiles, choice of milk.

Wednesday – Steak fingers, potato-n-gravy, green beans, hot roll, apple pineapple d'lite, choice of milk.

Thursday – BBQ on a bun, black beans, baby carrots, salsa, orange smiles, choice of milk.

Friday – Cheeseburger, hamburger garnish, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, choice of milk.

Loraine ISD
Breakfast Menu
May 19th- 23rd

Monday – French toast sticks, syrup, cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Tuesday— Scrambled eggs, biscuit, cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Wednesday – Breakfast club, juice, milk, cereal, toast.

Thursday – Chicken-n-waffles, syrup, cereal, toast, apple, milk.

Friday – Breakfast burrito, juice, cereal, toast, milk.

Loraine ISD
Breakfast Menu
May 19th- 23rd

Monday – Beef and cheese chalupa, garden salad, ranch, pinto beans, salsa, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday— Chicken nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, strawberries, milk.

Wednesday – Chicken fajitas, tortilla, pinto beans, salsa, seasoned corn, orange smiles, milk.

Thursday – Chicken spaghetti, garden salad, ranch, baby carrots, apple slices, breadstick, milk.

Friday – Fish strips, tarter sauce, tater tots, ketchup, garden salad, ranch, peaches, Texas toast, milk.

Westbrook ISD
Breakfast Menu
May 19th- 23rd

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, choice of 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, choice of 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, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Westbrook ISD
Lunch Menu
May 19th- 23rd

Monday – Chicken and broccoli penne or 2 pizza dippers w/spaghetti sauce, garden salad, baby carts, apple slices, bread stick, milk.

Tuesday – Ultimate taco salad w/ medium tortilla bowl or baked potato w/ham and cheese, bread stick, garden salad, seasoned corn, snowball salad, milk.

Wednesday – Steak fingers or chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, savory green beans, apple-pineapple d'lite, milk.

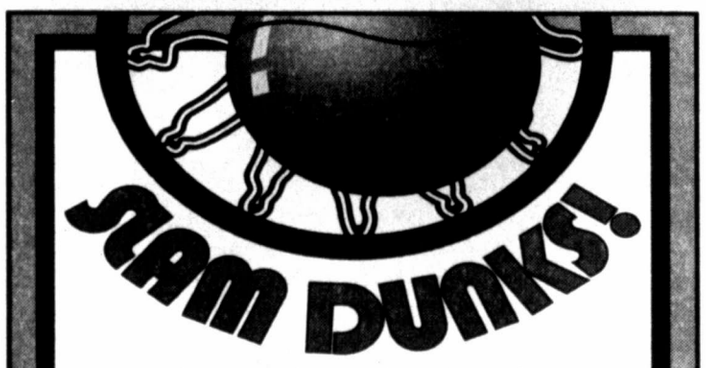
Thursday – Chicken quesadilla or BBQ on a bun, black beans, baby carrots, salsa, orange smiles, milk.

Friday – Pizza choice or hamburger or cheeseburger, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, milk.



STATE FCCLA CONFERENCE—Colorado High School FCCLA attended and competed at the State FCCLA Conference in Corpus Christi on April 10-12, 2014. Members of FCCLA are (l-r) Ramsey Alvarez, Amor Carrillo, Marissa Parras, Jisell Ventura, Jennifer Rivera, Mason Maddox, Mikaela Madrid and M'Leah Alexander. *Photo courtesy of Judy Merrell.*

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SPORTS

Lady Wolves roll to 14-0 rout of Brownfield

By Tommy Wells

BIG SPRING – The Colorado High School Lady Wolves gave sophomore Brittany Munoz the best 16th birthday present she could have dreamed of last Thursday at Last Steer Field in Big Spring. It was so nice, it didn't even matter to Munoz that it came a day late.

The gift? A trip to the regional semifinal round of the Class 2A state softball playoffs with an offense that produced more than a few big bangs and fireworks en route to pounding out a convincing 14-0 rout of the Brownfield Cubs in front of large crowd.

"It was awesome," said Munoz, who celebrated her birthday with her family, friends and teammates two days earlier with a cake. "It was a pretty nice to win."

Colorado City didn't just "win." They decimated Brownfield from the outset. The Lady Wolves tagged Brownfield ace Marie Rodriguez for 12 hits and 11 walks in game that was halted after five innings due to the 10-run mercy rule.

With the victory, Colorado City upped its record to 25-10 and, even more importantly, earned to right to face Hawley in the regional semifinals. The Lady Wolves will face Hawley next. See related story for game details.

Munoz helped the Lady Wolves get into the celebratory spirit early in the first inning. She was among five CHS players to grind out hits in Colorado City's staggering first inning offensive onslaught. As a team, the Lady Wolves sent 10 batters to the plate in their first at-bat, with nine making it on base.

After Baylie Lindsey had opened the game with a lead-off walk, Munoz ripped a run-scoring single to left. She advanced to second on the Lady Cubs' throw to home, and then raced to third moments later on a hit by Makaylah Rivera. CHS pitcher Cassie Sutton – one of only two Colorado City players to not reach base in the initial inning, upped the Lady Wolves' lead to 2-0 from there with a sacrifice to third that allowed Munoz to score.

Madie Gutierrez followed Sutton's at-bat with a productive one of her own. She slapped a single to left that scored Rivera and gave the Lady Wolves a 3-0 lead.

After Gutierrez had been caught stealing, Taegen Harris renewed the CHS attack with a two-out walk. Ramsey Alvarez and Alexis Munoz followed with back-to-back singles that drove Harris home. Then, following a walk by Alicia Redwine, Lindsey came to the plate for a second time in the first inning and all but drove a dagger through the Lady Cubs' dreams by ripping a two-run single to center.

Lindsey's hit put C-City up 6-0 heading into the bottom of the first.

Brownfield, which suffered two losses to Colorado City in District 4-2A play, threatened to rally back in their first at-bat. The Lady Cubs managed to get a pair of two-out hits and then loaded the bases on a walk by shortstop Casie Garza.

Alexis Munoz squelched the Brownfield threat from there. She fielded a short grounder off the bat of Rodriguez and rifled a throw to Gutierrez at home for the third out.

Colorado City went back on the offensive in the second. The Lady Wolves scored four runs in the frame and stretched their lead to 10-0.

"I think we did really good in coming out and getting some runs on the board and putting the pressure on them," said Brittany Munoz.

Rivera and Sutton opened the C-City second with back-to-back walks. Gutierrez, who went 2-for-2 from the plate with a walks and three runs batted in, turned the free passes into runs. She blasted a two-run double down the line at third that ballooned the Lady Wolves' lead to 8-0.

Gutierrez scored moments later on a bloop single over the first baseman's head by Alexis Munoz.

Harris, who had beat out an infield hit earlier in the frame, tallied the Lady Wolves' final run of the second, scoring easily when the Lady Cubs' first baseman misplayed a grounder.

The Colorado City defense made sure Brownfield didn't get a chance to stage a scare from there. Backed by a solid performance by her infield, Sutton retired 12 of the next 13 batters she faced, and finished with her third shutout in as many playoff outings.

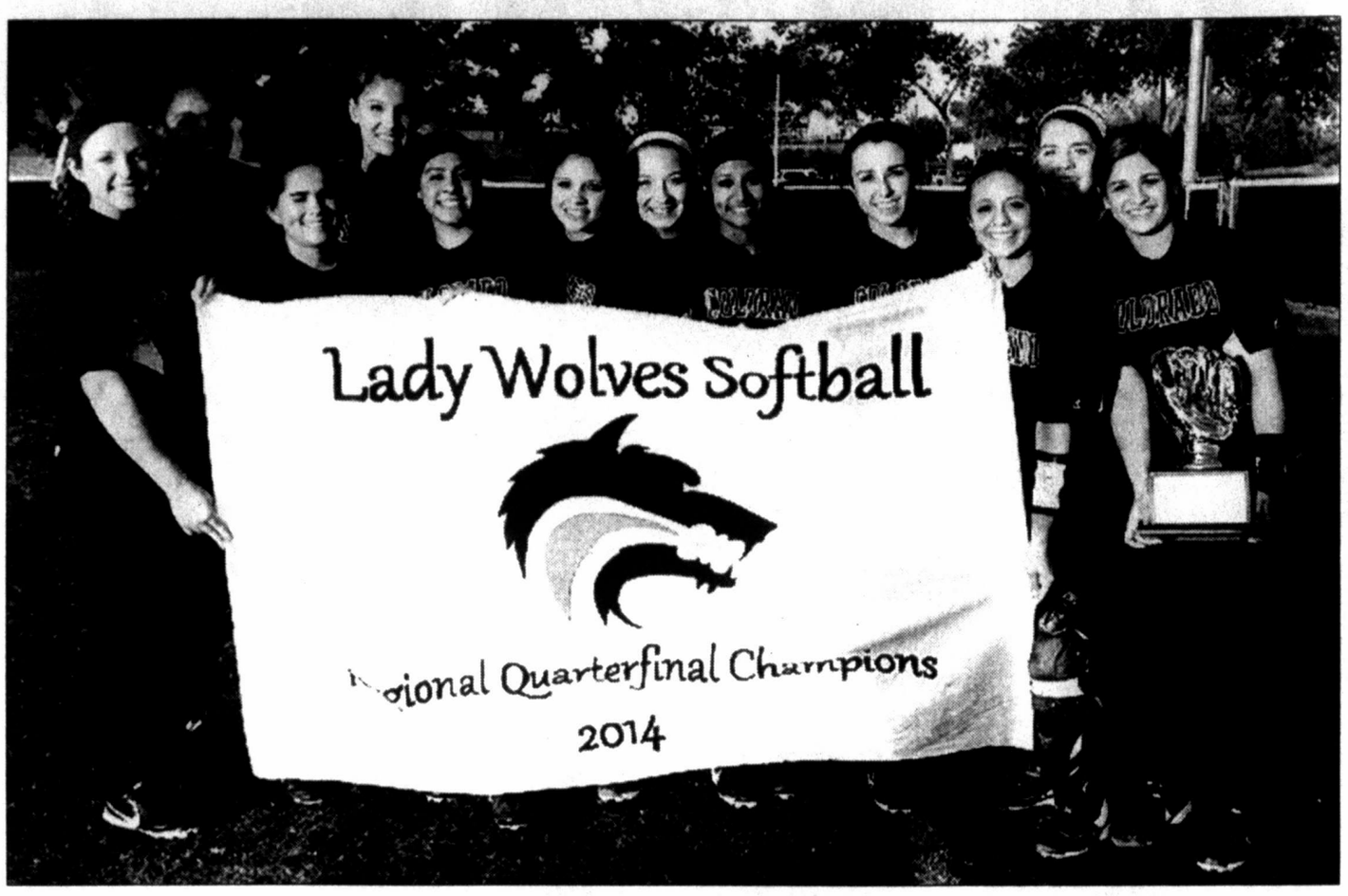
"That (defense) is where our strength is," said Colorado City head coach Ami Martinez. "Our girls want the ball hit to them. That helps Cassie know she doesn't have to strike everyone out. She can relax and just throw the ball because the defense plays well behind her."

They certainly did against Brownfield. After the first, the Lady Cubs managed just one hit off the CHS right-hander, an infield single in the fourth.

Colorado City was far from being through wreaking havoc on the Lady Cubs, however. The Lady Wolves scored four more runs in the top of the fifth to put the game out of reach.

Rivera led off the CHS fifth with a bloop single to left. After a pair of walks had loaded the bases, Brownfield looked as if it might work its way out of the inning unscathed by enticing the next two Colorado City batters to strike out and pop out harmlessly to second, respectively.

Alexis Munoz and Redwine refused to let the Lady Cubs off the hook. After Munoz had worked a run-scoring walk, Redwine capped Colorado City's win with a three-run double to left.



CHAMPIONS AGAIN! The Lady Wolves softball team earned another championship title after a decisive 14-0 win over Brownfield last week. Team members are: (l-r) Haley Maxwell, Makaylah Rivera, Brittany Muñoz, Heather Merket, Alexis Muñoz, Alicia Redwine, Taegen Harris, Desiree Martinez, Baylie Lindsey, Madie Gutierrez, Ramsey Alvarez, and Cassie Sutton. *Photo courtesy of Andra Maxwell.*

Lady Wolves face Hawley

The state ranked Hawley Bearcats(31-0) and the 4-time district champion Lady Wolves (25-10) face off in the state semifinals this Friday and Saturday in San Angelo.

The winner of this contest will play the winner of the Bangs-Bushland matchup to see who goes to the state class 2A softball tournament.

It was in this semifinal game last year when Coahoma snuck-up on Colorado City knocking the Lady Wolves out of the playoffs.

Hawley is ranked number 2 in the state and last week beat Ballinger in two games 9-0 and 11-1.

Hawley's 31-0 record is an indication of how good this team really is. Almost all players are back from last season's trip to the state tournament.

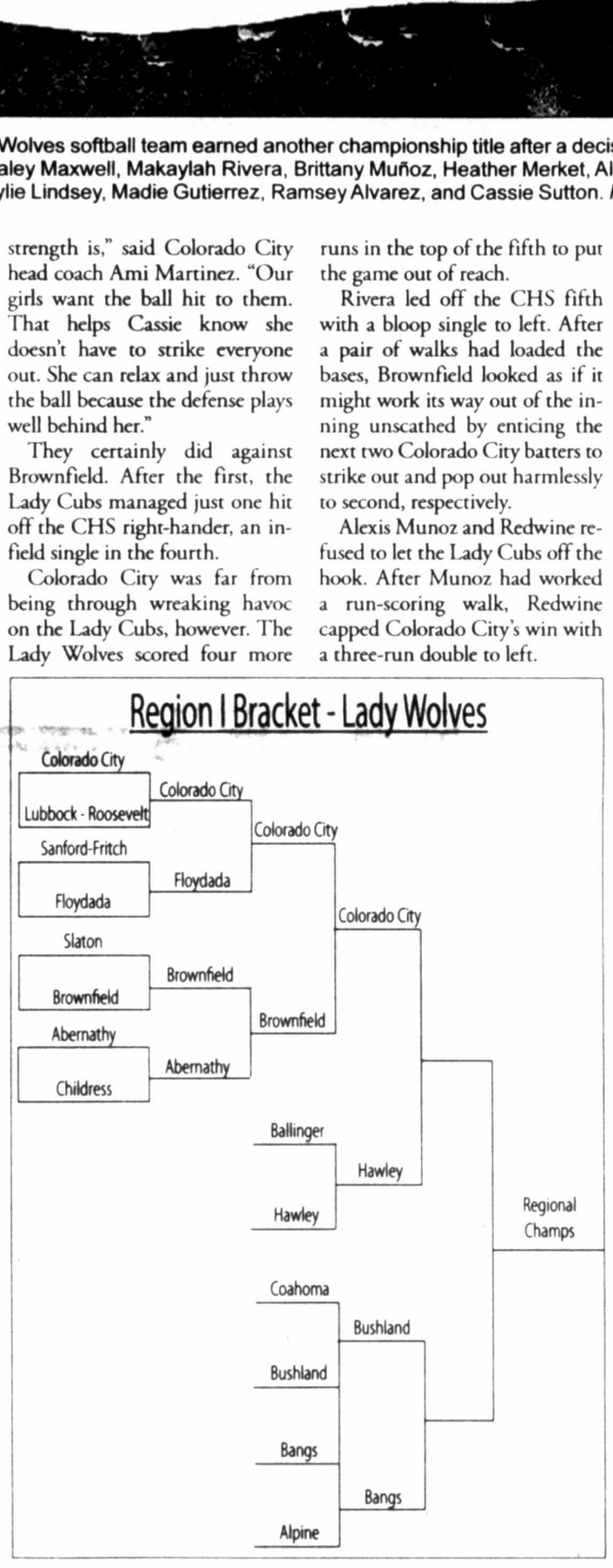
Meanwhile, the Lady Wolves will be no push-over as excellent hitting and pitching thus far have allowed the Lady Wolves to cruise through the first 3 games in the playoffs.

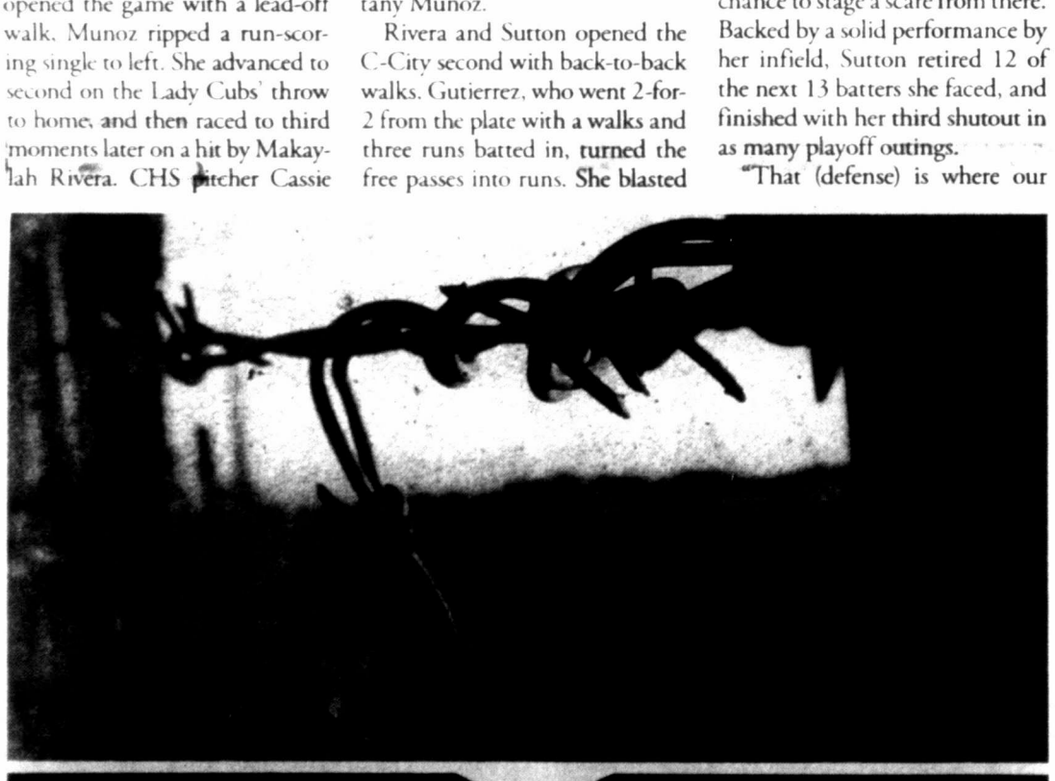
The best 2 out of 3 series will start Friday at 5:30 p.m. at the San Angelo Bobcat Softball Field located near the Bobcat football stadium.

There will be a send-off for the Lady Wolves at 2:15 p.m. Friday afternoon at the Mitchell County Sports Complex. Everyone is encouraged to come out and show the girls how much they are supported by the community.

Saturday game two will start at 11:00 a.m. with game 3 (if necessary) to start 30 minutes after game 2.

The Lady Wolves are 1 of 16 remaining teams in class 2A statewide still in the playoff picture.





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PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

Lady Wolves vs. Hawley at San Angelo Central

3 Game Series begins Friday, 5:30 p.m.,
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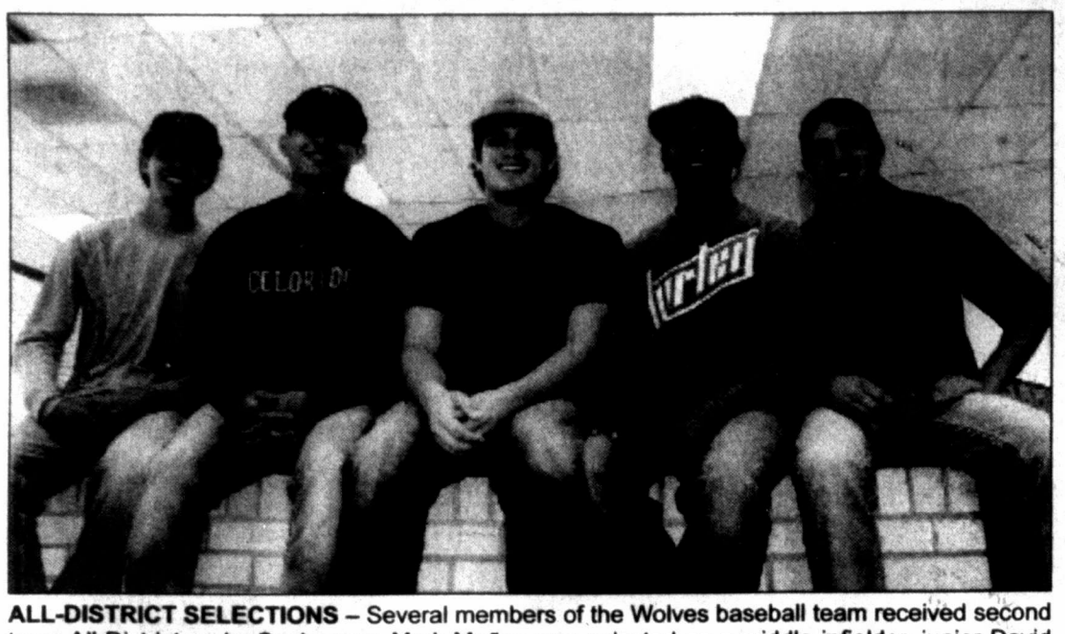
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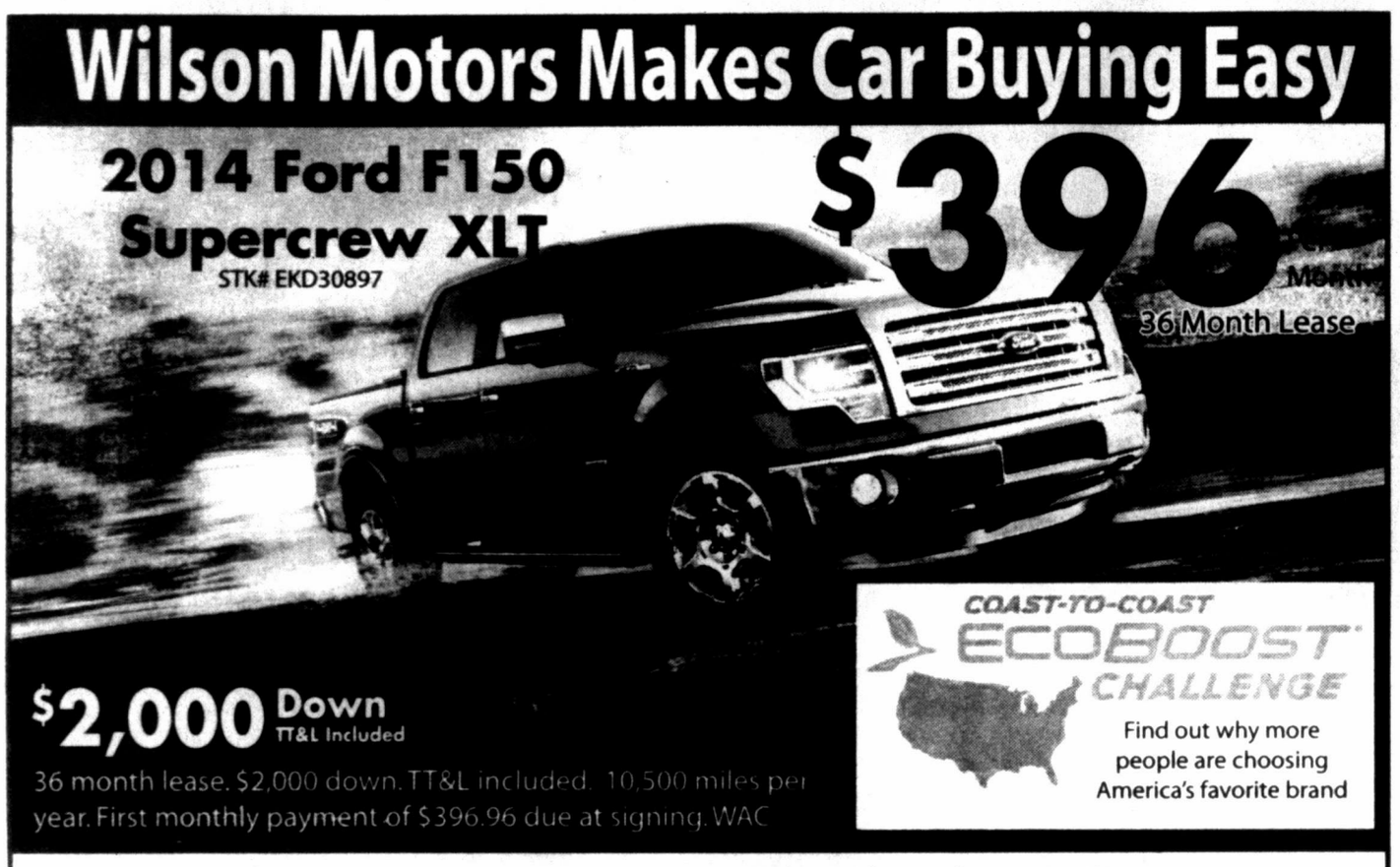
SPORTS



ALL-DISTRICT SELECTIONS – Several members of the Wolves baseball team received second team All-District nods. Sophomore Mark Muñoz was selected as a middle infielder, junior David Sanchez was honored for play at 3rd base, senior Josh Sutton received the honor as an outfielder, senior Nick Perez was named as a pitcher and senior Caleb Hayes for his play at catcher.

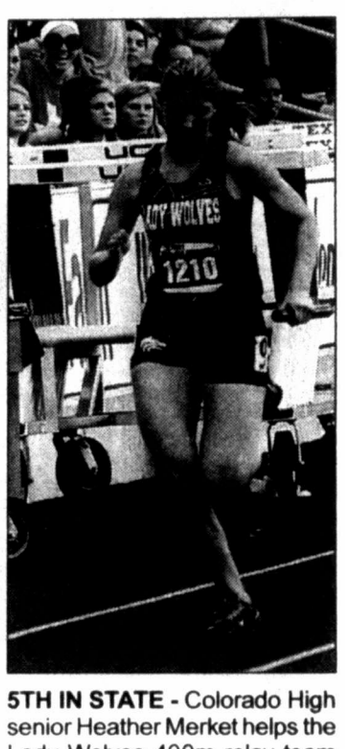


FIFTH PLACE AT STATE -- The Colorado City High Lady Wolves 400m relay team earned a 5th place fisnish at the state track meet in Austin last Friday. The four were clocked at 49.12, which was their best time this season. Relay team members include (left to right) junior Shirley Hemphill, freshman Baylie Lindsey, freshman Autumn Green and senior Heather Merket. *This picture is from the Regional meet in Odessa.*



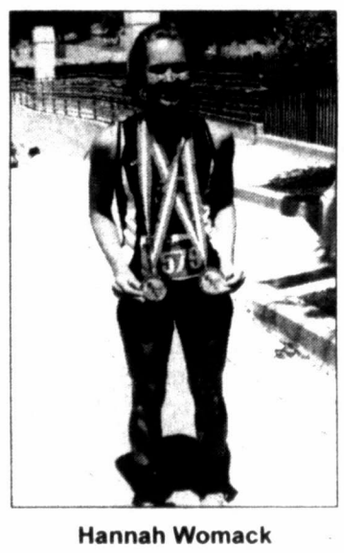


STATE SPRINTER - Junior Shirley Hemphill placed 8th in the 100m dash last Friday night at the State Track Meet in Austin. It was Hemphill's second trip to the state meet.



5TH IN STATE - Colorado High senior Heather Merket helps the Lady Wolves 400m relay team to a 5th place finish at the State Track Meet in Austin last Friday night. Other relay members include junior Shirley Hemphill, freshman Baylie Lindsey and freshman Autumn Green.





Hannah Womack

Womack competes in state track meet

Hannah Womack of Ira competed in the State Track Meet last week in Austin and came away with two gold medals. Womack is the granddaughter of Travis and Pat Cawthron and Edith Womack, all of Colorado City.

Womack ran a leg of the 4x100m relay, of which Ira took 1st place. The relay team's finishing time of 51.49 broke the state meet record of 51.55.

The sophomore at Ira High School also competed in the pole vault event, earning another 1st place finish and gold medal. Her jump of 10' 1" was enough to put her at the top of the list.

As a team, Ira finished the meet in 2nd place and Womack finished in the Top 5 Individuals. She is the daughter of Marsha Womack of Ira.

Baseball camp to be held June 2nd-4th in C-City

Pre-registration is being held for the 2014 Wolves Summer Baseball Camp, and kids kindergarten age to incoming 9th graders are eligible to participate. Colorado ISD Baseball Coach Brantlee Lemons and staff will be instructing campers.

Forms for pre-registration have been distributed at Kelley and Hutchinson Elementary, as well as Colorado Middle School, for the camp which is set to be held June 2nd through the 4th. The old high school baseball field, located just north of Wolf Stadium, will be the site of the camp, and cost will be $35 per camper.

On Monday, June 2nd, late registration will be held at the field from 8 to 8:25 a.m. The younger age group, kindergarten to 2nd grade, will participate in camp activities from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. each day. From 10 to 11:15 a.m., 3rd, 4th and 5th graders will receive instruction. The last group of the day, 6th through 9th graders, will have camp from 6 to 7:30 each evening.

Forms and money can be turned in until the last day of school, May 30th. Students at Kelley should turn in form to Mrs. Lemons, Hutchinson students should take forms to the office, and students at middle school are asked to give forms to Coach Lemons.

Cost of the camp includes a t-shirt for each camper.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Sports Banquet

Colorado High School will hold the annual sports banquet on Monday, May 19th at 7 p.m. in the middle school cafeteria. Tickets cost $11.50 each and can be purchased in Coach Gainey's office at the high school.

Online Subscriptions only $30 per year! 728-3413

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Incoming 7th, 9th and 11th grade athletes should take note. Students will have the opportunity to get the required physical forms taken care of for next year, as physical examinations will be performed at Colorado Middle School and Colorado High School on Tuesday, May 20th.

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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0010077001

APPLICATION. City of Colorado City, P.O. Box 912, Colorado City, Texas 79512, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renew Texas Land Application Permit (TLAP) No. WQ0010077001 to authorize the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 1,120,000 gallons per day via surface irrigation of 318.4 acres of non-public access hay and grass fields. The facility and disposal area are located 2.5 miles east of the intersection of State Highway 163 and Farm-to-Market Road 1229 in Mitchell County, Texas 79512. TCEQ received this application on March 31, 2014. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at City of Colorado City, City Hall, 180 West 3rd Street, Colorado City, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.357657&lng=-100.857&zoom=13&type=r

ADDITIONAL NOTICE. TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review of the application is complete, the Executive Director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list and to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments.**

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments, and the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and, the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. All written public comments and requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.texas.gov.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Colorado City at the address stated above or by calling Mr. David Hoover, City Manager, at (325) 728-3464.

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AVISO PUBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE

Notice is hereby given that the automatic tabulating equipment that will be used in the Democratic and Republican Joint Primary Elections May 27, 2014 will be tested on May 22, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at the Mitchell County Courthouse to ascertain that it will accurately count the votes cast for all offices and on all measures.
Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automaticamente que se usara en la Eleccion Conjunto Primaria del Partido Democratico and Republicano el 27 de Mayo , 2014 se probara el 22 de Mayo, 2014 a las 5:30 p.m. en Casa de la Corte Condado Mitchell para determinar si el equipo contara con exactitud los votos para todos los puestos oficiales y sobre todas los proyectos de ley.
Debby Carlock, County Clerk (Secretario del Condado)

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MITCHELL

By the virtue of Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Mitchell County, Texas, on the 25th day of April, 2014, in the following case to the Sheriff directed, the following property, which is more particularly described in the judgment entered in that cause, was levied on the 25th day of April, 2014, and will be sold at 10:00 a.m. on the June 3, 2014, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the East door of the Courthouse in Mitchell County, Texas, in the City of Colorado City, Texas, to satisfy judgment with interest and with all cost of suit in favor of Mitchell County, et al, and other taxing units and against those defendants listed in said Judgments and Order of Sale.

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Lots 25 and 26, Block 10, Dunn Snyder Moore Addition, Colorado City
Account #01050-00010-00025-000000

Cause #15,693
MITCHELL COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS LAVADA JONES ESTATE
TR. 1: All of Lot 2 and the south 40 feet of the A.R. Wood Subdivision of Lot 1, Block 12, Dunn Snyder Moore Addition to Colorado City
Account #01050-00012-00001-000001
TR. 2: Part of Lot 2, Block 34, Waddell & Martin Addition, Colorado City
Account #01340-00034-00002-000001

Cause #15,708
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Lots 9 and 10 in Block 10, Of The Hart Costin Addition, Colorado City
Account #01080-00010-00009-000000

Cause #5,872
MITCHELL COUNTY VS. ESTATE OF FLORA MAYFIELD
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Patrick Toombs,
Mitchell County Sheriff
Damon Rose
Deputy

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BID NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE TO BIDDERS
RFP#15-1072
LEGAL NOTICE

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RFPs addressed to Business Manager, Shelia Redwine, Colorado ISD, PO Box 1268, Colorado City, Texas 79512 will be received in the District Business Office until 4:00 P.M. on June 2, 2014. RFP's will be tabulated on June 3, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. and publicly read aloud at the Regular Board Meeting, 534 East 11th Street, Colorado City, TX in July.
Specifications can be obtained from the School Business Office, 1132 Hickory Street, Colorado City, Texas, or by calling (325) 728-5312.
The District reserves the right to reject any and all RFPs and to waive any irregularities or informalities; and to be the sole judge of the merit and qualifications of products and services offered; and to award the RFP considered most advantageous to the District.
Shelia Redwine
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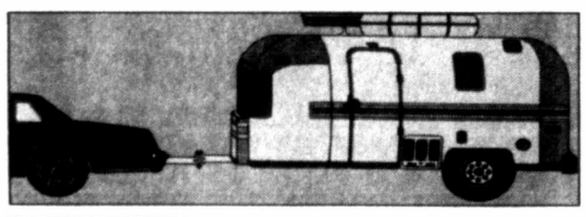
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NEW! 520 E. 7th- Spacious and completely remodeled 3 bedroom, 3 bath. New wiring, new walls, new cabinets, floors and doors. Great neighborhood. Detached garage and carport. $180,000

NEW! China Grove Area on CR 4136- Brick 3 bd, 2 bath, FP, large shop, shed & barn. $248,000.

NEW! 7808 CR 395, Snyder, TX- Open floor plan with 2 living areas, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath.

COMMERCIAL

NEW! 1744 Hickory St. - Great location and size for any business. Highly visible large steel building with slab floor. $105,000.

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LAKE PROPERTY

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NEW! 108 22nd St. -- 3/2 brick on nice street. Open concept living with fireplace. Move in ready!

NEW! 7277 CR 404 Loraine -- 4/1 home on 4 acres on paved road a mile from new school in Loraine.

NEW! 328 Market Loraine -- 3/1 on corner lot. Entirely renovated on the inside. Plus, new appliances stay with the home.

2152 LCR 252 -- Move in ready 4/2 lakeside with updates.

1158 LCR 248- 4/3 1/2 Brick lakefront home. Over 4,000 sq ft of living space.

550 LCR 246- 3/2 Lake front home covered deck, all furniture and appliances stay. $45,000.

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1419 Oak-- UNDER CONTRACT

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

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NEW! Tyson's Lake Cabin and RV Park- Investor wanted; currently at 100% capacity from influx of workers. Visit www.cabinsrvrentals.com for details and pictures.

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1045 Vine- SOLD!

945 Elm- Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath, windows replaced recently, needs TLC $39,000.

620 E. 7th- Cute! 1-1 Just $29,000.

630 22nd St.- Beautifully updated 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large yard, wood deck $87,5000.

NEW! 1405 Walnut- A cute 3- 1 1/2 home with some updates with carport, large corner lot and storage building. Call Karalee.

REDUCED! 1119 Walnut- Great investment property. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, 1804 sq. ft, $39,500 call Cheri.

101 W. 22nd St- Great find! 4 large bedrooms and 3 baths! Nice floor plan. Large fenced back yard with storage building. $139,000. -- **CONTRACT PENDING!**

RESIDENTIAL LOTS

2036 Chestnut - Residential lot with mature trees and storm cellar. Great for new home. Call Karalee.

Walnut Street, awesome lot for new home.

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Austin St vacant residential lot. Quiet neighborhood between 21st & 22nd.

742 Chestnut - 2 lots of residential land, $10,000. -- **CONTRACT PENDING**

HOMES WITH ACREAGE

Dunn - Reduced! Sellers are motivated. 3 Bd, 2 bath, carport, barn, w/6 stalls on 4 acres. Call Karalee.

REDUCED! 3850 FM 2836 - 3 Bedroom, 2 bath over 3200 sq. ft. 5 acres, pole barn, and pens. Call Cheri

700 LCR 248- 17 acres and mobile home. Call Cheri.

LAKE PROPERTY

NEW! Lake Allen Henry - Beautiful view of lake on 2 acres, easy commute to Snyder. 3 bedroom, 2 bath 30X40 shop with drive through doors.

NEW LISTING! - 2 Mobile homes. Buy one to live in and rent one. Remodeled 3 bedroom, new kitchen cabinets, stainless steel appliances in kitchen, completely furnished! Call Cheri to view!

700 LCR 248- 17 acres and mobile home. Call Cheri.

1186 LCR 248 - Nice 2 story, 3 bedroom 3 bath, with many amenities. Call Cheri

1342 LCR 248 - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath with dock. Call Cheri

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NEW! 110 E. 9th -- UNDER CONTRACT!

NEW! 1917 E. 9th --SOLD!

925 E. 13th -- SOLD!

1136 E. 17th -- SOLD!

917 E. 9th St. - 3 bed, 2 bth, dining area, brick home with basement, new plumbing new roof, new laminate flooring, new tile on sunporch. A must see.

NEW! 11401 CR 409- Located out by Dunn. On 7 acres with mobile home. 3 Bd, 2 bth, good condition.

NEW! 8489 N. FM 644- 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 2 car carport on 5 ac. Also has a barn and two waterwells. Must have appointment to view.

NEW! 3749 LCR 307 - Bungalo style loft, 2bd, 1bth, 2 car carport. Sits on 6.75 ac. Lake front property.

NEW! 761 LCR 248 - UNDER CONTRACT

401 Spang - SOLD!

504 Spang- SOLD!

REDUCED! 705 Kindred - 2 Bedroom, 1 bath, remodled on 4 lots. $35,000.

707 Lightfoot - Immaculate home, great find for Loraine. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath home. Has circle drive, bonus room for den, craft room or office. Great location.

600 Lightfoot - 3bd, 2 bath, w/large corner lot and remodeled. Move in ready.

1257 CR 175- UNDER CONTRACT!

NEW! 1200 LCR 248- 3Bd, 2bth, large shop, rv cover with all hookups. Compley remodeled. Move in ready.

REDUCED! 4305 LCR 307 -- Main house is a completely remodeled 2 bed, 2 bath with lots of extras. The second house is a 1 bed, 1 bath with a large living area.

NEW! 1474 LCR 248- SOLD!

REDUCED! 4373 LCR 307- 2 Bedroom, 1 bath on lease land on Coopers Cove. $29,000.

REDUCED! 5254 LCR 256- 3 Bedroom, 2 bath. Lake front.

1324 LCR 248- Greatly reduced $295,000. 5 Bedroom, 2 bath, real hardwood flooring and 2 large shops. Owner will look at all offers.

558 LCR 246- 3 Bedrooms, 2 bath, 2 carport, large storage building. A must see.

3149 Danley- SOLD!

2601 LCR 252 - SOLD!

5443 LCR 256 - SOLD!

REDUCED! 2958 LCR 252 - UNDER CONTRACT!

LAKE LOTS - 864 LCR 311 - great lot, new septic, carpot. Priced to sell!

2116 LCR 252 - 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Large shop. Great buy at new reduced price! Sellers will look at all offers.

REDUCED! 5324 LCR 256 -4 bedroom, 2 bath, 3-carport, lakefront. Immaculate manufactured home extra clean. REDUCED1 Great buy!

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1410 Sam Houston - Large Victorian home, ammaculant shape, 4 bedroom, 2 bath. Call Tresa for more information.

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LOCAL NEWS



REMINDERS OF SACRIFICE – Sgt. Sammy Calvio stands with the Fallen Officers' Table at a ceremony held in the Webb Center last Thursday to honor those who have died in the line of duty. Each item on the table is symbolic.

TDCJ employees hold fallen officer ceremony

The staff of the Wallace and Ware Units held a ceremony to honor fallen officers during National Correctional Officers' Week last week, May 4th – 10th. Names of those who have died in the line of duty, both in TDCJ and nationwide, were read by local correctional officers.

To open the program, Sonja Ybarra sang the National Anthem to rousing applause. Gwen Hillis explained the significance of the Missing Officers' Table, which was set up in the Webb Center for all to see.

The table is round to show the everlasting concern for the missing loved ones. The tablecloth is white symbolizing the purity of their motives while answering the call of duty. The sword symbolizes honor. The single red rose, displayed in a vase, reminds all of the life of each of the missing loves ones and friends of the correctional staff who keep the faith. The vase is tied with a yellow ribbon, a symbol of continued determination to remember and "Take Care of Our Own."

A slice of lemon reminds all of the bitter fate of those killed and/or crippled while protecting society. A pinch of salt symbolizes the tears endured by those missing and their families who seek answers. The Bible represents the strength gained through faith to sustain those that continue. The inverted glass symbolizes the inability of those gone to share this day's toast, and the chair is missing because the loved one is missing.

A list of officers' names who have died in the line of duty was read, including three from TDCJ who died in Texas in 2012. The lengthy list included names of all officers, nationally, who gave the ultimate sacrifice, dating back to 1882.

A moving poem entitled *Heroes in Gray*, written by Chaplain Wayne Horton who is a fallen officer, was read. Horton's words certainly showed his respect for his co-workers and reminded those in attendance that the job of a prison employee is both dangerous and difficult.

Chaplain Hardesty closed the solemn gathering with a prayer.

History of hospital recalled for NHW

By Audra Hoback
MCHD Community Relations Director

A hospital is just a building until you fill it with people. Then it transforms into an extraordinary place of compassion, innovation and dedication. May 11-17, 2014 is National Hospital Week and Mitchell County Hospital District celebrates this week and our dedicated team of individuals who bring their diverse skills to the task of caring and healing.

"Our staff and volunteers are more than deserving of our gratitude, respect and admiration. Hospital Week gives us a perfect opportunity to showcase our sincere pride and appreciation for the hard work we do. From providing exceptional medical care to implementing vital programs in our community, MCHD employees work tirelessly to meet our communities needs and to always do the right thing every time for every patient," said Robbie Dewberry, MCHD CEO.

Mitchell County Hospital District employs 247 individuals and is comprised of a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital, Rural Health Clinic (Family Medical Associates), EMS, Nursing Home (Valley Fair Lodge) and oversees the medical units at the Wallace/Ware and Price Daniel prisons.

The hospital itself has had a long history of serving Mitchell County dating back to 1913 when it was established as the Phoenix Sanitarium. In 1920 Dr. C.L. Root purchased the sanitarium and later relocated it to Chestnut Street and renamed it the C.L. Root Hospital. In 1967, citizens voted for the conception of the Mitchell County Hospital District. In 2004, the new facility, near Interstate 20, was constructed to replace the 70 plus year old building.

"We are the only healthcare facility that has been established in our rural community for over a century. Our history tells the story of dedication and commitment to the community we serve and it's definitely something worth celebrating," said Dewberry.

National Hospital week was first introduced in 1921 to help increase awareness and public perception of the work hospitals do. The week-long celebration is the Nation's largest health care event.

Exercise is advantageous to diabetes patients

Exercise was the topic of discussion during Monday's diabetes class, sponsored by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Mitchell County Hospital District. A small group gathered in the hospital's boardroom to hear what Mitchell County Extension Agent Audra Graves and MCHD Physical Therapist Cliff Shiller had to say on the subject.

Those attending learned that exercise lowers glucose levels in the body for up to 12 hours and makes insulin work better. Regular exercise, 30 to 60 minutes per day, is recommended for everybody. As with any type of exercise, diabetics are urged to consult their doctor before beginning a resistance program.

Two kinds of exercise were discussed, aerobic and resistance. Both types help control blood sugar in diabetics.

Aerobic exercise, like walking, swimming, running, and dancing, strengthens the heart and helps get rid of abdominal fat. It also reduces stress and lightens depression. The benefit of aerobic exercise can also be seen in blood pressure improvement and increased HDL, or good cholesterol.

Weight-lifting and working with elastic bands are types of resistance training and will help build muscles. Resistance training is especially helpful to those needing to gain strength.

"People with strong muscles get around better," Graves said.

Stronger muscles also use more calories and glucose to function, aiding in weight and blood sugar control. It is recommended to use resistance exercises two to three days per week. Those interested in weight-lifting should use eight to 10 different lifts, 10 to 15 repetitions per lift.

Participants were encouraged to remember to breathe during all physical activity. Holding your breath can raise blood pressure and reduce oxygen levels, therefore impeding muscle repair.

Poor circulation is a common symptom of diabetes, and anyone beginning an exercise program should take care when selecting shoes and socks to be worn during physical activity. Shoes should be comfortable with plenty of room at the toes. Running and walking shoes should typically be ½ to 1 size bigger than normally worn. Socks with big seams or ridges should be avoided.

Graves and Shiller advised those attending to check their feet carefully after exercise, as sores on extremities can take longer to heal in diabetics.

Those wishing to begin an exercise regimen should consider what time of day works best with their schedule and find a partner to share their routine. Graves said a certain time each day should be set aside for exercising, instead of waiting until it's convenient.

Starting slowly is essential, and a level of activity can be chosen by completing the "talk test." Shiller said that anyone should be able to carry on a conversation while exercising. If the subject is too out of breath to talk, the level of exertion may be too great.

He also urged those attending to learn the difference between sore muscles and pain. He said that as people work out, muscles get sore, but intense pain during exercise is not normal.

Diabetics should check glucose levels before exercising, and levels should be 100 mg/dL or greater before beginning. Since exercise can make blood sugar levels decrease, it is a good idea to check levels about 30 minutes after exercising as well.

Oddly, anyone with a glucose level of 250 mg/dL or greater is not advised to exercise right away. When blood sugar levels are already high, exercise can actually exacerbate the problem, raising glucose levels even more. It's the body's reaction to stress that causes the levels to rise.

Before the class ended, Shiller asked everyone to stand up and do a couple of quick arm exercises, showing participants how easy it is to get started. He said that he is a physical therapist and a Type I diabetic. He was diagnosed with the disease at only 11 months of age.

Citizens in Mitchell County have several options for exercise facilities. The hospital has a Wellness Program in which physical therapy machines are open to the public. Cost is $20 per month. Colorado ISD also has aerobic and resistance equipment at middle school. Anyone wanting more information on the gym should call the school business office.

"The key to this is to do something," Shiller said.

Medication will be subject of the next diabetes class scheduled to be held June 16th at 5:30 p.m. in the boardroom at Mitchell County Hospital. The hospital's pharmacist, Lesli Tomlin, PharmD, R.Ph. will serve as guest speaker.

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