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Final public hearing on tax rate next week

The city council approved the 2008 proposed tax rate of $.80 per $100 valuation for the second time, following a public hearing on Thursday, August 28th.

A third and final public hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 9th.

Sandra Midgett expressed concern that higher rents as a result of higher taxes would "crowd people out," causing a decline in Colorado City.

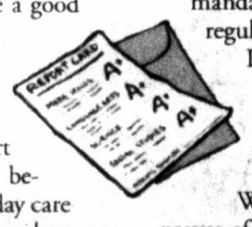
Mayor Jim Baum responded by saying that Colorado City had "no oil to tax, no manufacturing, so we need the property tax to generate revenue."

Baum also pointed out that the tax rate, which was comparable to other cities based on rates vs revenue base ability, provided clean water, maintained the city's streets, and provided 24 hour law enforcement and fire protection.

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CISD chooses community service over "good grade"

Sometimes not getting an "A" on a report card can be a good thing.



In the case of the Colorado City ISD, missing the mark on the state TEA "report card" is actually good because CISD provides a day care center that helps both teachers, as well as the community.

At the CISD board meeting last week, the board had to approve a resolution informing the community that they failed to meet the state mandated 65% instructional regulation.

In other words, 65% of the school's budget must be spent on instruction or the state wants to know why.

While the TEA tacitly approves of school run daycare centers, demanding that teachers have first choice, daycare does not count towards the 65% instructional costs

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Fall enrollment figures up

Enrollment figures are up slightly at both Colorado and Westbrook ISD.

Colorado City schools started the 2008-2009 year off with 1,030 on the first day of school. By the end of the first week, those figures had climbed to 1048 students, a slight increase over last year's totals of 1,018 on the first day and 1,043 by the end of the first week.

Colorado High School enrolled 15 new students this year, bringing their total up to 256 students from 248 on the first day of class.

Jackie Moffett, an incoming freshman, moved into the district from Roscoe. "My first week was pretty good," he said. "There are a lot more people here, so I've got more friends." Moffett said he was looking forward to football and basketball.

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WOLF STADIUM'S NEW track was completed on time and is now ready for action. The 400 meter regulation track is available to the public for walking and CHS coaches are looking forward to the spring ttrack season.

New track now open for public walkers

It's new. It's springy. It's finished and open to the public for walking.

The new track at the Wolf Stadium is finished, re-striped and feels great, according to Frank Johnson, CHS athletic director.

At present, there is still limited use of the track by athletes. "If someone's on it (footballers), it's because they're being punished for something," Johnson said.

The plan is limited use for the cross country season, but it will see usage during the spring at the Lone Wolf Relays. "We're planning to host two track meets," he said.

"We're very thankful to have it and we've got to take of it, so we're keeping vehicles and golf carts off it," Johnson said. "Lawnmowers are the only wheeled vehicles to cross the track and they'll cross on boards."

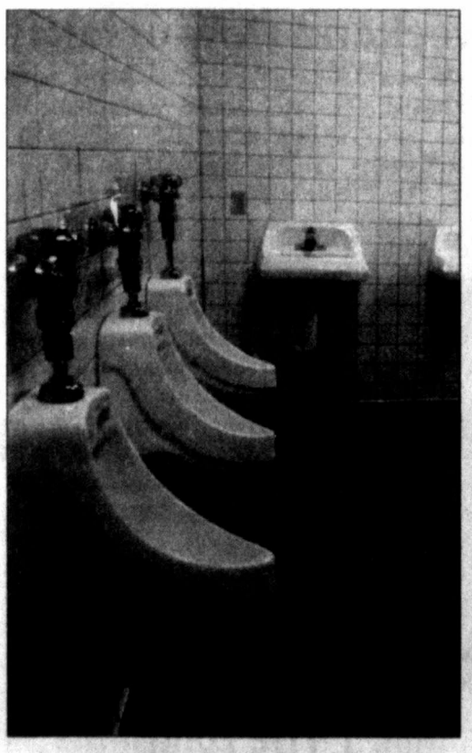
"James Owens and his maintenance crew worked hard during July to get the sprinkler system redone so we can water the field without watering the track," said Johnson.

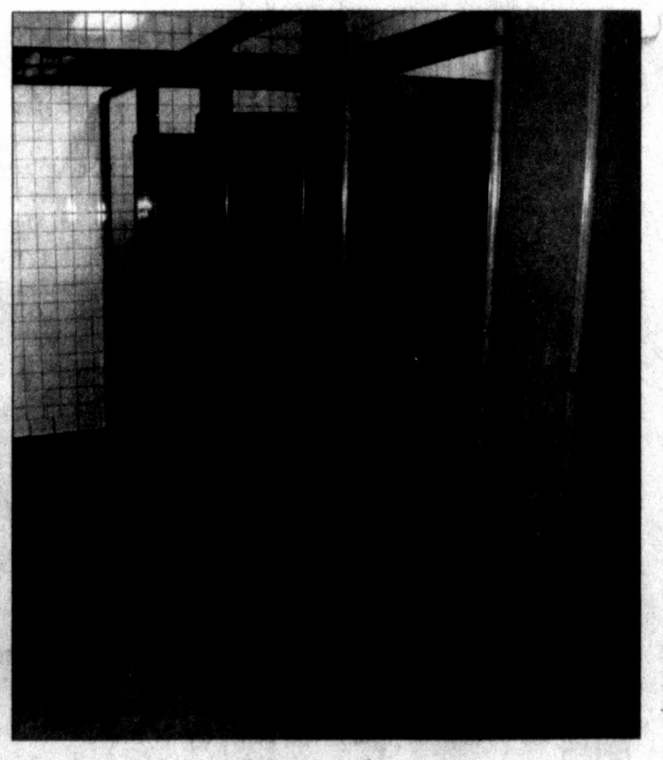
Limiting the amount of water on the track helps extend the life of the track. "James and his crew worked hard getting the sprinkler heads right," he said.

Johnson has witnessed the installation of three tracks during his coaching years. "The company did an outstanding job. This one is different from the other two. They did a great job," he said.

The track, which was completed

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THE PIT EXPANDS FACILITIES in both men's and women's bathrooms as part of a major renovation to modernize the building.

Repairs to Pit nearing completion

The most impressive feature of the redesigned Pit may easily be overlooked as the fall sports season gets underway and visitors enjoy the shiny new bathrooms, expanded snack bar and fresh new paint.

A feature unique to The Pit are wheelchair accessible balconies at the four corners of the gym.

These balconies extend out over the gym and are possibly the "best seats in the house," according to Superintendent Jim White.

The balconies are the brainchild of Virgil Stone, a long time Colorado City resident who has overseen the entire Pit project, as well as putting in countless hours of painting, sanding, chipping concrete and fixing anything that didn't look right.

"He's a go-getter, pure old school," said White. "If he sees something that doesn't suit him, he can't stand it. He's going to fix it."

The balconies came about from White's concern that students who used wheelchairs were unable to attend games comfortably. The new balconies can accommodate two wheelchairs apiece, have safety rails, and are easily accessible through wide ramps leading to the seating area.

Another innovation at The Pit allows wheelchair bound students access to the gym itself through a sliding elevator that moves diagonally on a rail from the upper floor down to the gym level.

The Pit project began approximately two years ago and is very nearly completed. "When we started the repairs project, we knew it would take longer than normal," White said. "It was never the plan to hire professionals for every step of the project. We tried to get it done as well as we could, for as little as we could."

Stone was hired to oversee the project, based on his reputation while working on school projects in Stanton in the 1980s. "The board was in general agreement to hire him, if we could interest him in this crazy project," White said. "He's been fantastic."

The do-it-yourself project has been plagued with delays from the very start. "Mr. Murphy showed up with delays and things that have gone wrong all along the way," White said. "No one is more frustrated than Mr. Stone."

But the delays are nearly over and the school board is looking at opening The Pit within the next week, even though the repair work on the concession stand will not be finished. Installation of a new sink and formica countertop should be finished in another week or two.

"We're really excited," he said. "We think the fans will really enjoy

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Around Town

Morgan Maddox talking about the Mona Lisa... Senior **Manuel Garza** scoring the winning touchdown... **Mark Munoz** in the Record office loading candy... **Roger Crawford** doing a good deed... **Allen Sanford** thinking about a pile of dirt... **Ray Ritchey** talking about enjoying dove...

Answerline

Q. When will the track be open for walkers?
A. It is now open!

Obituaries

Jack Perkins, Jr.
San Angelo

Charlie Moore
Terrell

Briefs

CISD Bonfire
The parents of the 2009 seniors are organizing the bonfire for homecoming this year. They are accepting donations of wood to add to the celebration. Only wood will be accepted, no trash or metal. The bonfire will be held Thurs., Sept. 25, located on E. Business I-20, just past Gas n Grub. For more information, contact Lenore at 242-0508.

Lions Club
Amie Wood, curator of the Heart of West Texas Museum, will be the speaker at Friday's Lion's Club meeting at noon. Visitors and potential new members welcome.

Prophetic Meeting
Seneca L. Lee, Church of God in Christ, Christ's Christianity Party, will be at Ruddick Park on September 7th at 12:01 a.m.

Open House
Colorado Middle School will hold Open House Tues., Sept. 9. The CHS Band will kickoff the performance at 6 p.m. Parents and students should meet in the auditorium and then will be able to go and meet the teachers. There still be a special meeting for all 8th graders and parents to address this year's TAKS test requirements.

Final Signups
Final soccer signups will be held Sat., Sept. 6 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Sports Complex.

Twirling Fundraiser
The CMS Twirlers will have a fundraiser at Pizza Hut Sun., Sept. 7 from 5-7 p.m.

House of Hope Barbeque
The House of Hope Community Church will hold a barbeque with all the trimmings, Sat., Sept. 6 starting at 11 a.m. You may place your order by calling 728-5900.

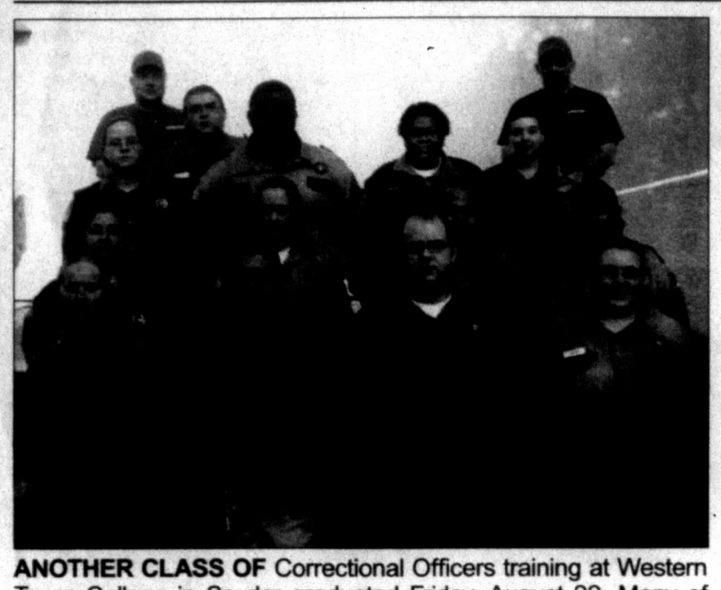
Thought of the Week

You can only be young once. But you can always be immature.
Dave Barry

Lake Levels

(as of September 2, 2008)
Lake Colorado City...2064.43'
Full at 2070.3' Down 5.87'
Lake Champion...2051.23'
Full at 2083' Down 31.77'

LOCAL NEWS



ANOTHER CLASS OF Correctional Officers training at Western Texas College in Snyder graduated Friday, August 22. Many of these officers will be sent to work at the Wallace and Ware units. They are: (back row, l-r) Michael Watson, Jodie Duran, instructors Kyle Herrley and John Atkinson; (third row) Jacki Phariss, Marshall Hill, Fay Ross, Donna Summers; (second row) Julia Gonzales, Sherry Rose, Armando Jaramillo, Norma Jimenez; (front row) Christina Alexander, Ernesto Cantu, Joseph Duda and Jodie Eaton.

Fire department accepting entries for Boer goat cookoff

Dust off those recipes and dig out the chef's apron for the annual World Championship Boer Goat Cook off.

The Cook off, sponsored by the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department will be held Oct. 3-4. Proceeds from the cook off are used by the fire department to purchase training equipment and all types of tools, as well as repairs to trucks, according to Tom Carlock, assistant fire chief.

Registration forms may be picked up at the Colorado City fire station any time. The registration fee is $125. All forms must be turned in or mailed to the fire department with the registration fee to be entered in the cook off. Teams will be limited to the first 55 who turn in their forms and fees.

"A $75.00 non-refundable deposit will save your place with the rest to be paid for when picking up your goat," said Carlock.

Goats are provided by the fire department and may be picked up on Friday, October 3rd from noon until 7 p.m.

"The cutoff will be 7 p.m. and at that time, if you are not checked in, opportunity will be given for your place to anyone on the waiting list," Carlock said.

Contestants are asked not to rope off cooking areas until 10 days prior to the event to allow city workers access to mowing and weed eating.

Fuller Foods is putting up the $1500 prize money for first place. Also, first place team members will receive 3 belt buckles, donated by Wood's Boots.

Benjamin Moore Paints through Colorado City's Higginbotham Bartlett will sponsor the second place prize money of $500 and third place prize of $250 in the goat division.

Teams will also receive plaques furnished by the First Bank of West Texas in Loraine.

"In addition, we will have jackpot ribs, brisket, beans and dessert," Carlock said. "The cost is still $15 for each event you wish to enter and you may enter as many times as you want to pay for."

Half of the total entry money for each event will be paid to the first place team in each division. "Michael and Cindy Browne are furnishing a nice belt buckle to be given to the first place winner in the bean division, in honor of their son Cody Wayne Browne," Carlock said.

There will be separate entries for the local banks, TDCJ teams and area fire departments Winners will receive a plaque and bragging rights for the year.

"As always, the CCVFD is looking forward to another successful year and is thankful for all the local area teams who participate," said Carlock.

Teams are encouraged not to wait until the last minute to register, as the first 55 teams to enter will be the only ones who will be allowed to cook and enter the contest.

"Tex and Rudy will be cooking goat and brisket plates to be sold to the public on Saturday, October 4th," said Carlock. "We would like to encourage the public to go to the Junktique downtown and then come out to the park to visit with the cookers and eat some good goat and brisket."

For more information or registration forms, please contact the Colorado City fire department at 728-5252.

Loraine city council adopts curfew to halt juvenile crime

In an effort to stem an increase in juvenile crime, Loraine City Council has adopted a Juvenile Curfew effective immediately.

The request for the curfew came from the Loraine city and county law enforcement officials, as "a means of controlling the city's youth and limiting their being on the streets from 11:00 at night until 6 a.m. on school nights," said Loraine Chief of Police Dickie Summers.

City and country law enforcement officials have seen a marked increase in juvenile crime in the last year according to Summers. "It is mainly vandalism and graffiti on public buildings and some private areas," hesaid.

Prime targets for the youthful vandals included under and over passes and drainage culverts. "The city park has taken a number of hits," Summers said.

Other juvenile crimes centered on vehicle damage and attempts to siphon or steal gasoline, although the majority of the vandalism has been

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OBITUARIES

Jack William Perkins, Jr.
1946-2008



SAN ANGELO – Jack William Perkins, Jr., 62, passed away Monday, August 25, 2008, at Legend Oaks in San Angelo after a long battle with cancer. Services were held Saturday, August 30, at 10 a.m. at Freedom Fellowship in San Angelo with Harold Watkins officiating.

Jack was born July 19, 1946, in San Angelo to Jack and June Perkins. He graduated from Central High School in 1965. He attended Angelo State and then joined the Army. Jack graduated from Officer Candidate School on July 3, 1967. He served at Fort Hood. Jack returned to Angelo State University and completed his pre-pharmacy courses and then graduated from the University of Houston December 1973 with a pharmacy degree. He was a pharmacist in several West Texas towns including Big Lake, Roby, Colorado City and San Angelo.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jack William Perkins.

He was survived by his daughters and sons-in-law, Lauren and Robert Munoz of Loraine and Carrie and John Erwin of Lubbock; five grandchildren, J.R. and Caul Erwin and Morgan, Katherine and Madison Munoz; his mother, June Perkins of San Angelo; his sister and brother-in-law, Elaine and Alan Rees of Tennessee; his brother and sister-in-law, Margaret Perkins of North Carolina; his wife, Fay Perkins and her children, Becky Williams and Brian Williams and two granddaughters, Michaela and Maggie Flynn of San Angelo.

Charlie Moore
1923-2008

TERRELL – Mr. Charlie Moore, age 85, died on Friday, August 29, 2008 in Terrell, Texas. Visitation was held on Saturday, August 30, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 31, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Jackie Brem officiating and burial followed in the Westbrook Cemetery.

Mr. Moore was born on February 6, 1923 in Colorado City to Albert Moore and Minnie Lou Davis Moore.

He graduated from Westbrook High School where he was Valedictorian. Mr. Moore served in the Army during World War II and retired from Reese Air Force Base where he worked as an Electronic Tech. He received the following decorations/citations: American Theater Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal and Victory Medal.

He is preceded in death by his parents; sisters: Violet Curtis, Carmon Stephenson, Linnie Johnson; brothers: Arlie Moore, Gay Leonard Moore, Sr., Oren Moore and Clarence Moore; nieces: Delza Kaye Moore; Ruby Mae Sheaks and Jean Kiker; nephews: Royce Moore, Gay Leonard Moore, Jr. and Dean Curtis;

Mr. Moore is survived by his brother, Grady R. Moore; nieces: Debbie Peden, Sharon McDonald, Elaine Hart, Alene Richardson, Beaulah Simcox, Mary Tumey, Mary Jane Moore; nephews: Ray Moore, Melton Moore, Jerry Moore, Dale Moore, Joe Stephenson, E.H. Stephenson, Weldon Stephenson, Pete Curtis, Sonny Curtis, William Johnson; lots of great nieces and nephews.



BOATERS ENJOY LABOR Day weekend on Lake Colorado City, the last big weekend of the summer season. (Photo courtesy of Terry Ferguson)

Labor day weekend slow at lake

Labor Day weekend at the state park was a pretty slow weekend, according to Tracy Ferguson, park manager. "We had 800 people, down from what we normally have."

Rain showers the first part of weekend may have kept some people away, although "things got busier on Saturday and Sunday once the weather cleared off," he said.

The weather was good for daily boaters, however. "Everyone seemed to have a good time," Ferguson said.

Even though summer is officially over after Labor Day, the state park still has plenty to offer weekend visitors, from fishing, boating, swimming, to comfortable cabins complete with basic amenities.

Family reunions and large groups can also take advantage of cooler weather under the covered pavilion.

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Local News

ISD

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New freshman Tabitha Angelo came from a 3-A school in Bridge City, Texas. Her first week was "a lot better than I thought it would be," she said. "Everybody was very friendly."

"It's a small town so everybody is really close," Angelo said, adding that was an advantage she was looking forward to.

Kelley Elementary enrolled 315 students on the first day of school, including those enrolled in the Head Start program. End of the first week figures rose to 321.

Hutchinson enrolled 238 third through fifth graders and Colorado Middle School registered 207 sixth through eighth graders on the first day of school. They added five more by the end of the week.

Wallace Accelerated High School started school with 20 students and added one more by the week's end.

Last year Colorado ISD averaged 1040 through the year and ended on May 30 with an enrollment of 1019.

Westbrook ISD enrolled 212 pre-k through 12th graders on the first day of school and finished with 217 by the end of the first week. The figures represent an increase over last year, which started with 210 on the first day of class.

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in the budget, according to school board president Charles Walker.

"It's a pretty good chunk of the budget that probably would be spent on instruction," he said. But the first question new teachers with small children ask after wanting to know what subjects they'll be teaching is "where's the daycare?"

"It's a huge disadvantage that can kick you right out of the ball game," when trying to attract quality teachers, according to Superintendent Jim White.

"The board discussed how much community responsibility we had over and beyond the small sphere the school district was confined to," said Walker. "We felt like we had some responsibility, therefore we started the daycare."

When the daycare began three years ago, CISD didn't get into it to lose money. "But we knew we'd lose for a while," White said, referring to the dilemma of charging enough to cover costs, without setting the fees so high that normal people couldn't afford the cost of daycare. "We're still not in the black yet."

The "report card" used by the TEA is called FIRST, Financial Interpreting Rating System of Texas and is a 21 point scale report card to the public. This is the first year the 65% rating has been included in the scale and only Rule has met that mark, according to White. "A lot of schools in Texas are no further out than 7 or 8 percentage points," he said.

School districts can make up to three negative marks before losing the "superior" rating, which is the highest possible score. CISD has held a superior rating for a number of years, in spite of being penalized for having a low student-teacher ratio.

Missing the 65% instructional will make the second negative mark, but will still leave CISD in the superior rating.

"The board was willing to take that hit because we're providing the community with a service they dearly need. That service far outweighs any bureaucratic criticism," he said. "We made the decision that services rendered are more important than a report card with a couple of nos that carried no punitive, financial or otherwise, consequences."

Although the rating system measures a school's effectiveness, currently there are no punitive penalties or consequences attached to the report.

School run daycares fall under the jurisdiction of two different state agencies, each with their own set of mandates. The first agency, the Child Protective Services, has very strict regulations concerning student to teacher ratio based on square footage and include unannounced inspections. TEA prefers a higher student teacher ratio, but doesn't include day care as part of what qualifies as "instructional" time.

"We're walking a tightrope," said Walker.

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was converted from feet to meters, they just converted the top," Johnson said. "It's now official from the foundation up."

Reconstruction of the track also revealed a slight grade in the old track which no one knew about, causing runners to run slightly uphill.

"That's been fixed. It's now level all the way around," Johnson said.

"The way it was built was the right way. The epoxy coat was applied to help the track last longer and protect it from the elements."

One of the reasons for the successful construction of the track is the company's usage of their own crew, instead of subcontracting or using local labor. "Building tracks is what they do," Johnson said. "Mr. White and the board did a great job of researching companies and making sure they got the best people available for the track."

THE PIT

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it and be happy when it's completed in a couple of weeks."

The refurbished Pit will boast completely new men's and women's bathrooms with additional stalls, new floor, ceiling and wall tiles and wheelchair accessible stalls.

"We've quadrupled the size of the bathrooms," White said. The women's bathroom now has 10 stalls and new sink fixtures are located in a small anteroom. The men's bathroom has expanded to three stalls and six urinals.

The new and improved concession stand includes a brand new sink and drainage system, additional cabinets and a super expanded work countertop.

The most noticeable feature of The Pit is the large window overlooking the gym in the front foyer. Concession stand visitors can enjoy their snacks and drinks and not miss a minute of Colorado City's exciting volleyball and basketball games.

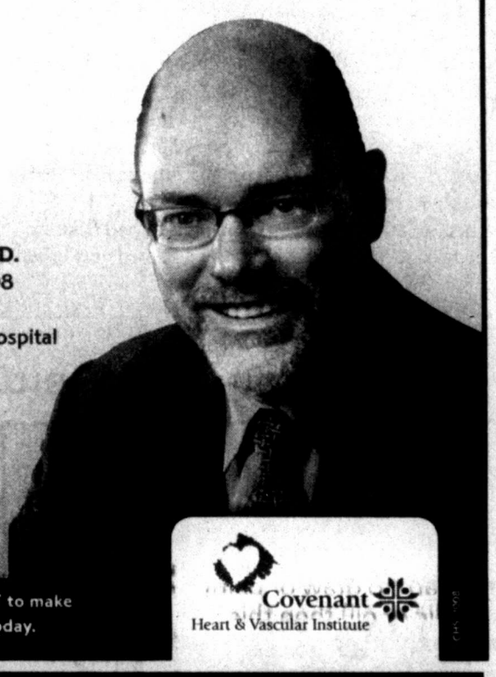
"The gym is the focal point for all school activities," White said. "You shouldn't have visitors coming in thinking of your gym as a dungeon. Unfortunately, C-City folks did too. We had to change that. Now we have a court that ought to be an enjoyable place to play in all aspects."

Much of the hard work in refurbishing The Pit was done by the school's maintenance crew and inmates from the prison.

"We can't say enough about the work they (the inmates) do for us," White said. "Warden Heaton very graciously agreed to have a crew ready for us on Labor Day on very short notice. They do so much for us than we'd ever be able to do without their assistance."

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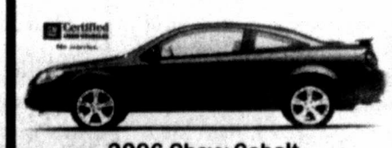
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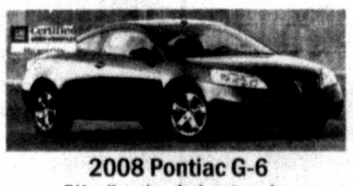
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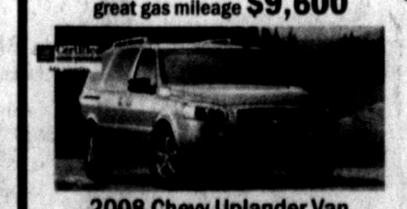
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TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Men should stay out of women's purses



There are stressful and traumatic moments in most men's lives. Some of them are caused when they try to find something in their wives' purses. In that situation, a man is like a fish out of water.

Most women's purses have so many pockets, compartments, zippers, fasteners and bags within a bag that it's difficult for even the owner to find anything. Many items in my wife's purse all have the same shape and are roughly the same size. I'm specifically talking about a billfold, checkbook and telephone.

I usually know better than to rummage through my wife's purse, but occasionally I have no other choice. I recently had one of those traumatic, stressful situations involving an exploratory expedition through my wife's new shoulder bag.

We had spent the day on the sailing ship out of Newport, Rhode Island. After the sail, we took the ferry back to our hotel in Providence. There was a small couch at the end of the bed where we watched TV in our few spare moments. We had dinner plans and Susan decided to leave her bag in the room. As we were leaving the hotel, she stopped at the front desk to inquire about some transportation. It was there she decided she needed her phone and asked me to go get it.

I immediately got nervous and actually started to sweat. I didn't want to do it. But I returned to the room, retrieved her bag from the safe and put my hand inside it to get the phone. Sounds simple, right? Forget it. My hands touched every item in her purse except the phone.

I went to the couch and emptied the contents. No phone. I reached inside again and felt it. It was in a zippered pocket. I got it! I loaded everything back into her purse, put it back in the safe and left the room. We had a wonderful time at dinner. When we returned to the room, I thought I'd see what was on TV. I couldn't find the remote. We looked all over the room, but no remote. We called the front desk and told them the remote was missing; that apparently the maid accidentally took it out with the linens. We told the front desk we didn't need the remote, we just wanted to report it missing so we wouldn't be charged for it.

The next morning we took the shuttle to the airport for the flight home. Susan decided to go get a snack while I stayed with the luggage.

She came back with a couple of apples and a surprised look on her face. She told me she had found what we had been looking for and pulled the remote out of her purse.

I knew immediately how it got there. Apparently while I was putting the items back in her purse, I put the remote right in there with them.

We mailed it back to the hotel. When we landed back in Texas, Susan had been carrying my sunglasses in her purse. I handed it right back to her. She laughed and fished out my sunglasses.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

Hulen and I will be moving away from Colorado City to Midland.

After living in Colorado City since 1951, Hulen now lives at the Saddleridge Lodge, 1808 W. Loop 250 North, Apt. 1110, Midland, TX 79705. He has a beautiful apartment and is very happy in his new home.

I bought a house in Midland to be near family. The years spent in Colorado City have been very rewarding for me especially the time spent as a pink lady at the hospital. I will dearly miss the many friends I have made during my 13 years here. My address is 4306 Gulf, Midland, Texas 79707 if you would like to write to me or come see me. I plan on coming back to Colorado City to visit after I get settled into my new home.

Betty Bagwell

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Letter to the Editor:

Cap Rock Energy customers have no choice in their electric provider. Cap Rock is the only investor-owned utility in Texas not subject to competition. Due to masterful political wrangling, a subsection was added to the utilities code that allowed Cap Rock Cooperative to be treated as a cooperative even if it later became investor owned, which it did in 2002. Cooperatives are not subject to competition.

Senate bill 1280 removed that provision and it was passed into law in 2003. It charged the Public Utilities Commission with establishing a schedule and procedures for bringing Cap Rock into compliance with retail customer choice. However; the bill contained a fatal flaw. It did not set any time limit for adopting this schedule.

Additionally, have you noticed the rate case surcharge on your bill? This is a PUCT authorized charge to help Cap Rock recover legal expenses from a previous lawsuit. They are allowed to collect this charge for 3 years or until they recover their costs, whichever comes first. Taking my monthly charge and multiplying it times the 35,000 meters that Cap Rock says it has, it comes to $82,600.00 per month. They have been collecting this charge for over 2 years.

In speaking with the Retail Markets, Competitive Markets Division of the Utilities Commission, I was told that what they hear from customers is a factor in assessing the priority of projects. They have not heard from large numbers of Cap Rock customers concerning the issue of customer choice. I was told I could write to Jess Totten, Director of Retail Markets, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 1336 , Austin , Texas 78711-3326 .

One letter won't make a difference but hundreds might. If you are a Cap Rock customer, write to the commission and tell them you want what every other Texan enjoys.The right to choose.

Patty Bryant
8306 E. Country Rd. 85
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Not so fast on Super Bowl and wheat

By John R. Senter
Mitchell CEA-Ag, AgriLife Extension

If I was going to try to win the next Super Bowl, I'd probably choose the Cowboys and the potential start they have. If I was going to win the 2008-09 wheat production game, I would choose the potential start we have. But wait! In the case of the 'Boys, preseason is just barely over, and they went 2-2 and have some receivers hurt. In the case of the approaching wheat crop, we are just barely out of August and still are not wet enough or cool enough.

Before we set our grain drills in the field, it seems logical to take a moment to discuss some basics of selecting and planting winter forages.

In reality, there are a number of choices when it come to winter forages, and all of these come with some advantages and disadvantages. The most popular cool season forages for our little corner of the world are: wheat, rye, triticale, oats and some pasture blends. Without a doubt, the most popular winter forage for Mitchell County has got to be wheat. We annually plant somewhere in the neighborhood of 20,000 acres in a given year, more in some, less in others.

For safety sake, hard, red winter varieties are the best choice for us to guard against freeze damage that can occur in the soft varieties. Rye and triticale choices certainly offer some promise in terms of grazing and forages; however, their management can be cause for concern due to the inclination of these to become excessively long and hollow stemmed and create some quality concerns in the spring in terms of hay. Additionally, these varieties can become less attractive to grazing cattle as they pass optimum maturity. Oats surely have the ability to offer some late season forage and increased tons per acres of leaf, but be careful. Oats can freeze at the most critical time and short you on a great deal of badly needed spring forage.

Blends are somewhat new to most producers and are usually a combination of wheat, rye or triticale and oats. The thought process behind this line of forages is the opportunity for each included forage to reach optimum production at different stages of the growing season, and therefore give full season grazing with optimum cattle gains.

However, in our trials in 2003-04, the blends only offered this "perfect" level of grazing 50% of the time, and the oats in these blends we tested failed to ever show up in the spring forage clippings.

It appears that for year in and year out grazing and/or haying, beardless wheat varieties offer the best opportunity, at least based upon our trials. There is little yield difference between bearded and beardless varieties and more potential for long-term grazing with beardless varieties.

Regardless of variety selected, there are a few things that must be considered for optimum stand development. Seeding date is critical. Extension trials for our part of the state, done by Dr. Calvin Trostle and I, indicate the most optimum planting dates for us are September 5-15. This usually gets us past some dangers of hot, dry weather.

Also, this year, it appears from our moth traps catches that we are still not out of the woods from potential Fall Army Worm damage – later planting could offer some protection for newly emerging wheat. Seeding rate: Our forage trials tell us that at the bare minimum, 45 pounds per acre is the lower end target. However, our research has shown that 60 to 75 pounds per acre is better for optimum forage and hay yield. Seed quality is an absolute must. Try, at all costs, to select seed with at least 58 pounds per bushel test weight and with a germination of at least 85%. These two items are quite possibly the most critical and most over-looked details of winter forages. This year we must pay close attention to quality seed. Make sure you choose quality seed, it will pay for itself in the long run!

Should we continue to get moisture, then seed-bed preparation should be optimum and, at that point, fertility could become a limiting factor of stand establishment. Don't be afraid to fertilize! It is no secret how high fertilizer is, but consider this, wheat needs one and one-half pounds of nitrogen and three-fourths of a pound of phosphorous for every expected bushel you want to produce.

Finally, 2008 has been a roller coaster year for wheat harvest from Colorado to Kansas, Nebraska and into Texas. This has caused some shortage of seed and a continued increase in prices of available seed. Be very careful when selecting VNS (Variety Not Specified) wheat seed. It is not uncommon to get something you didn't want and had to pay for with VNS. This could include bearded wheat in a so-called beardless variety, or rye or unneeded weed seed and other impurities mixed in your bag. Try this, if certified seed is the Tony Romo of the wheat world, then VNS seed is close to say – Zebbie Lethridge!

Keep in mind that because of the Plant Variety Protection Act, there are legal pitfalls with buying or selling certified wheat seed that is under license agreement with PVPA. In the long run, it is safer and offers much more potential for maximum production to bite the bullet early and pay for quality seed than to take an unknown and be disappointed later.

If this information creates questions, or you would like more information, feel free to stop by our office for a summary of the Winter Forage Trials on Russell Erwin's farm during 2003-04. In addition, we have some information on establishment of cool season forages that might prove useful as well.

Now that we are closer to cooler, wetter weather, make the most of it with good decisions, quality seed selection and remember – most of the money spent early on winter forages will surely pay bigger dividends in the spring in the form of increased grazing, improved cattle gains or larger hay harvests.

Question of the Week

"Should there be a speed limit on trains coming through Colorado City?"

Go to our website to vote: www.coloradorecord.com. Click on Op/Ed Page.

Events Calendar

Fri., Sept. 19	Loraine Homecoming	Loraine
Fri., Sept. 26	Kiwanis BBQ	Downtown
Fri., Sept. 26	Wolves Homecoming	Wolf Stadium
Fri., Sept. 26	Westbrook Homecoming	Westbrook
Sat., Sept. 27	Cowboy Breakfast	Kiwanis Park
Sat., Sept. 27	Mitchell County Reunion	Civic Center
Thurs., Oct. 2	Farm Tour	Civic Center
Fri., Oct. 3	Class of '63 Reunion	Civic Center
Sat. & Sun., Oct. 4, 5	Junktique Jamboree	Downtown
Fri. & Sat., Oct. 3, 4	Boer Goat Cook-Off	Ruddick Park
Fri., Oct. 31	Trick or Treat Around Town	Downtown
Fri., Oct. 31	Hunter Appreciation Dinner	Civic Center
Sat. & Sun., Nov. 15, 16	Railhead Trade Days	Railhead Buiilding
Sat. & Sun., Dec. 6, 7	Festival of Trees, Parade, Chili Supper	Railhead Building
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SCHOOL NEWS

Students of the week named at Hutchinson

Students of the Week at Hutchinson Elementary are Hope Eime, Courtney Guevara, and Patrick Tillis.

Hope, a third grader in Mrs. Free's class, is the daughter of Ryan and Mary Eime. Her favorite subject is math. She has three cats, Gigi, Gizmo and Zeus. Her favorite thing about Hutchinson is playing in P.E.

Courtney, daughter of Rebecca Cardwell and Chris Genvara, is a fourth grader in Mrs. Geiger's class. She enjoys reading as a hobby, and her favorite subject is science. Her favorite thing about her school is the teachers.

Patrick, son of Jacki Phariss, is a fifth grader in Mrs. Gainey's class. He enjoys playing sports as a hobby, and P.E. is his favorite subject. Patrick says that meeting new friends is his favorite thing about Hutchinson Elementary.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK named at Hutchinson Elementary for this week are (left to right) Hope Eime, Courtney Guevara and Patrick Tillis.

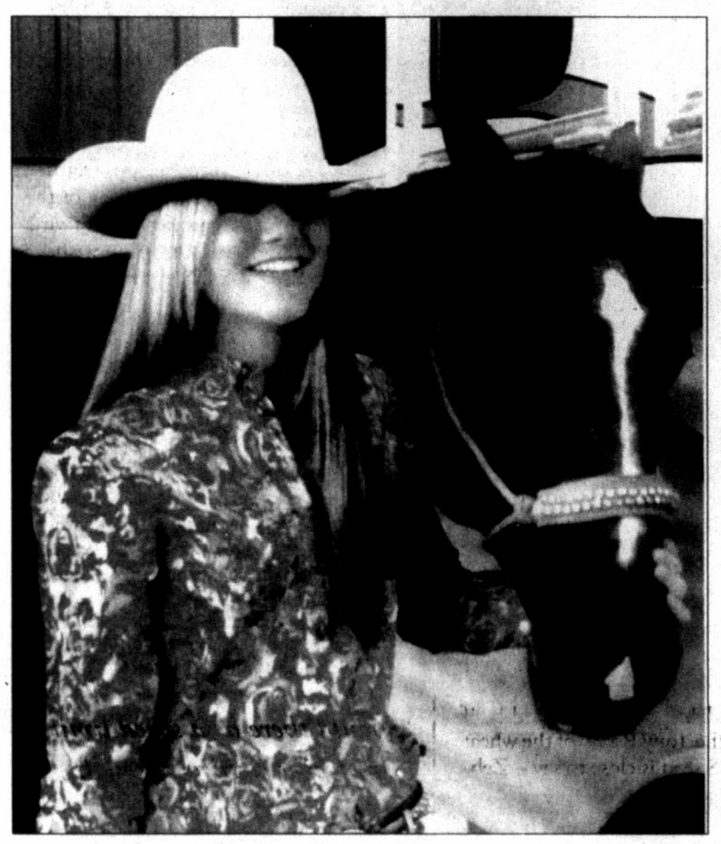
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TRISTEN WILLIAMS and her horse, Sunny, competed at the National Barrel Horse Association Youth World Championships held in Jackson, MS.

T. Williams competes at World Championship

Tristen Williams of Salado, daughter of former Colorado City resident Linda Preston, competed July 20 – 26 at the 2008 National Barrel Horse Association Youth World Championship held in Jackson, MS. She is a 16 year old junior at Salado High School. The invitation only event is the largest youth barrel race in the world.

Williams qualified by winning Reserve Champion in the 1st Division youth and Champion in the 2nd Division youth in her District Texas – 24 during the 2007 season.

Williams and her horse "Sunny" qualified in the First Go Round with a time of 15.779 and again in the Second Go Round with a 16.619 to compete in the finals.

In the Final Round, she turned in a time of 16.035 to rank her at 80 in a competition with over 1112 participants in the Teen (13 and over) Division. She received cash prizes in both go rounds and a NBHA World Championships finalist buckle.

Contestants came from over 36 states, Canada, Italy and Venezuela. Contestants must qualify each year in their respective states to compete in the NBHA Youth World Championships against the finest equine athletes in the world.

This was Williams' second time to compete in the NBHA Youth World Championships. She qualified for and rode in the 2007 event last year in Jackson, MS.

Williams is the granddaughter of Toby and Blanche Preston of Salado, formerly of Colorado City. Her great-grandparents are the late Ed and Perl Preston of Loraine and J.L. and Minnie Strain of Cuthbert.

Three locals graduate from ASU

At the end of the 2008 summer session, 166 students complete requirements for their degrees from Angelo State University.

The 2008 summer graduates include the following from the Colorado City area: Diana Bueno, Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude; Christopher J. Matlock, Bachelor of Science, Master of Business Administration and Bachelor of Business Administration; and Rosemary Peterson, Associate in Applied Science.

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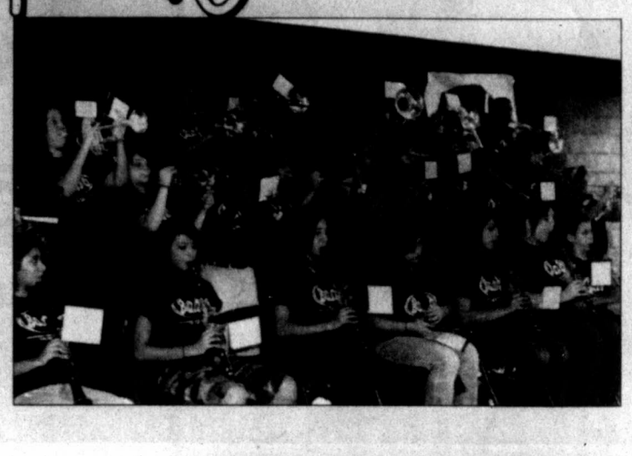


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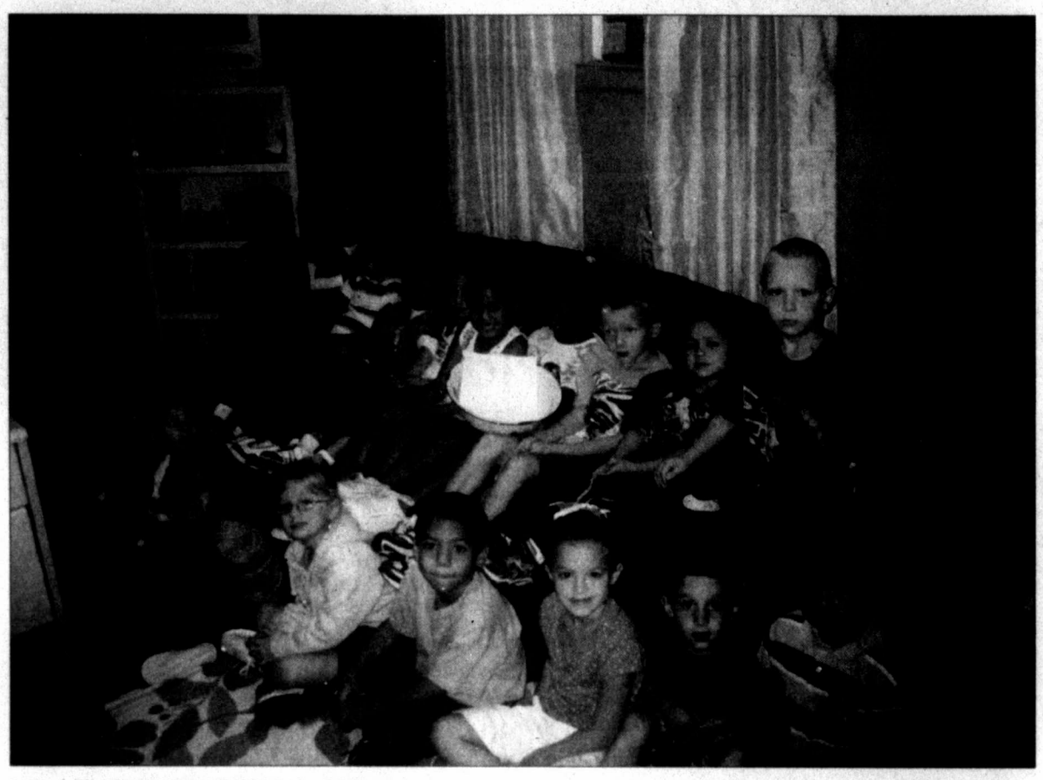
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KELLEY ELEMENTARY IS OFF to another great year. Kindergarten started their Gingerbread Unit. It seems like he runs away every year, and they have to take a campus tour to find the Gingerbread cookies they make. This year, he was found at the Counselor's office. Yum! The following students are in Ms. Lemonds' Kindergarten Class. Class members are: Rene Barajas, Nathan Chapman, Markeisha Connelly, Khia Emerson, Danakia Espinoza, Stephen Gonzales, Christopher Green, Alina Hernandez, Chalyn Henderson, Jaycee Holman, Richard Martin, Morgan Munoz, Ezekiel Randle, Matthew Rivera, Rosendo Rodriguez, Destiny Sosa, Zack Stone, and Randall Wilburn.

Notice

of Tax Revenue Increase

The CITY OF COLORADO CITY conducted public hearings on August 21, 2008 and August 28, 2008 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the CITY OF COLORADO CITY from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 20 percent.

The total tax revenue raised last year at last year's tax rate of $0.6864 for each $100 of taxable value was $534,686.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of $0.8064 for each $100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is $643,303.

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The CITY OF COLORADO CITY COUNCIL is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 9, 2008 at Colorado City Civic Center, 157 W. 2nd, Colorado City, Texas 79512 at 6:00 p.m.

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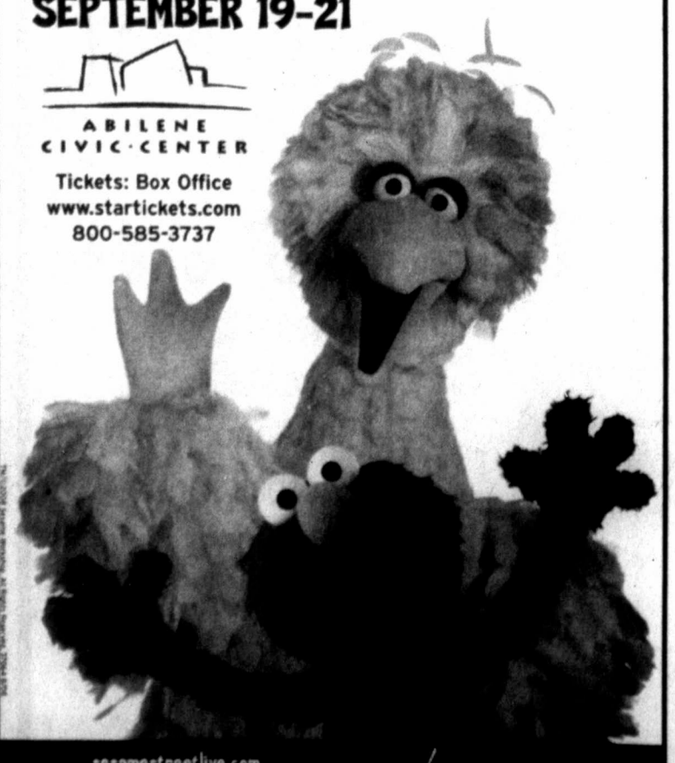
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Breakfast Menu September 8-12

Monday – dry cereal, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Tuesday – Cream of Wheat, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Wednesday – scrambled egg, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Thursday – oatmeal, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Friday – sausage, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Colorado ISD Head Start
Lunch Menu September 8-12

Monday – corn dog, green beans, peaches, milk.

Tuesday – mac and cheese, mixed vegetables, orange pieces, milk.

Wednesday – steak fingers, gravy, golden corn, applesauce, milk.

Thursday – turkey spaghetti, sweet peas, bread and butter, pears, milk.

Friday – PB&J sandwich, black eyed peas, orange pieces, milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem.
Breakfast Menu September 8-12

Monday – dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday – breakfast bites, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday – muffins, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday – pancake pup, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday – scrambled egg, cheese burrito, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem.
Lunch Menu September 8-12

Monday – pizza, green beans, glazed carrots, cookies, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday – corn dog, baked beans, potato salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday – turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, sweet peas, hot roll, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday – BBQ on a bun, oven fries, pinto beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Friday – wolf burger, lettuce cup, French fries, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Colorado Middle School
Breakfast Menu September 8-12

Monday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday – dry cereal, biscuit, waffle w/ syrup, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday – dry cereal, biscuit, breakfast bites, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday – dry cereal, biscuit, potato & egg burrito, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Colorado High School
Breakfast Menu September 8-12

Monday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, waffle w/jelly, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, pancake on a stick, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

CMS & CHS
Lunch Menu September 8-12

Monday – pizza, fries, green beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday – spaghetti, meat sauce, golden corn, Texas toast, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday – Swiss steak, potatoes, sweet peas, hot rolls, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday – Frito pie, refried beans, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Friday – cheeseburger, fries, lettuce cup, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Westbrook ISD
Breakfast Menu September 8-12

Monday – pancake pups, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday – blueberry muffins, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday – scrambled eggs, toast & jelly, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Thursday – sausage, gravy, biscuit & jelly, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Friday – morning sausage roll, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Westbrook ISD
Lunch Menu September 8-12

Monday – chicken fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, chocolate pudding cup, milk.

Tuesday – pigs in a blanket, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple orange salad, milk.

Wednesday – chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread sticks, strawberry shortcake, milk.

Thursday – meat & bean chalupas, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, rosie applesauce, milk.

Friday – submarine sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, tater tots, baby carrots w/ranch, brownie, milk.

Loraine ISD
Breakfast Menu September 4-5

Thursday – cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Friday – pizza, cereal, fruit, milk.

Loraine ISD
Lunch Menu September 4-5

Thursday – pizza, baby carrots, corn, peaches, dressing, milk.

Friday – hamburgers, tater tots, shape up, lettuce, tomatoes, ketchup, mustard, milk.

SPORTS

Wolves look for win #2 over Anson Saturday

The Wolves will be going after win number two this Saturday in Sweetwater as they take on the Anson Tigers at the Mustang Bowl.

Anson is 1-0, fresh off a 41-6 thrashing of the Hamlin Pied Pipers last Friday night.

It's the annual Sammy Baugh Classic that the Wolves have participated in the past several years.

Colorado City comes off a come-from-behind 27-25 victory over a tough Reagan County team last Friday night at Wolf Stadium.

Despite several early season miscues, the Wolves put together a good effort to fight off Reagan County's high octane offense.

Game time is noon Saturday.

Wolves win opener

By Tony Franco

The Colorado City Wolves kicked off the 2008 football season with a 27-25 victory over the Reagan County Owls here last Friday night. A 50 yard pass play from quarterback Clint White to Manuel Garza secured the win late in the contest, recharging Wolf Stadium and showing Wolf fans that this year's Wolves team is a different Pack.

As could be expected from any season opener, the Wolves had more than their share of mistakes, but scoring 27 points and coming back to take the win made for an exciting and promising opening night. The most points the Wolves scored in one game last year was in a 31-13 loss to Hawley in the final game. "We fought back," said Wolves coach Frank Johnson. "That was the amazing thing. We spotted them seven points to begin the game and again in the third quarter. To come back from behind twice showed a little character."

"We threw well enough. In the second half we ran the ball well and that opened up the passing. Manuel made a good catch (for the game winner). Clint hit him in stride. Manuel made a bunch of plays."

Besides catching White's pass at the Reagan County 35 yard line then sprinting between two defenders to complete the winning score, Garza made enough plays as the safety to earn Defensive Player of the Game and took a Monster Hit award along with linebackers Jamarcus Brooks and JC Johnson.

White, despite his receivers dropping several balls, completed 13 passes for 227 yards to share Offensive Player of the Game with Garza. For this week's game the Wolves take on Anson Saturday at Sweetwater's Sammy Baugh Classic. The Tigers beat the Wolves 12-6 last year. Game time is high noon. Anson began their season with a 41-6 whipping of Hamlin.

"It was good to start off with a win," said Garza. "I just kept running (on the winning score). We kept our composure and fought through it."

Three dropped passes and a seven yard punt on their first possession put Colorado City in an early hole but the Wolves made a goal line stand to stop the threat. Colorado City fumbled on the next play and the Owls recovered in the endzone for the game's first score.

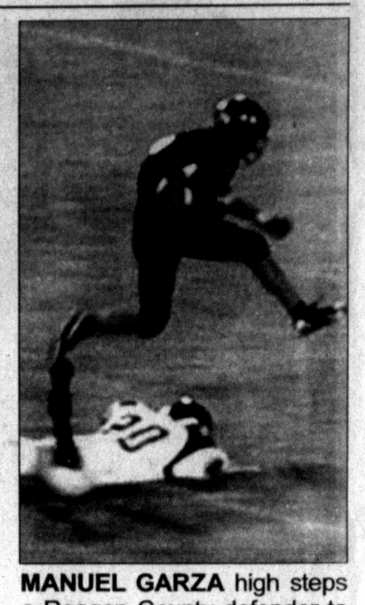
It didn't take long for The Pack to respond. White found Ryan Gainey for an 11 yard completion then made a 30 yard touchdown run to put the Wolves on the board. A missed point after left the Wolves trailing 7-6.

White and Brooks made good gains on the Wolves' next possession. White hit a wide open Derrek Gutierrez from the Reagan County 30 yard. Gutierrez made the reception and appeared headed to the endzone but dropped the ball. He recovered his own fumble then three plays later made a catch in the endzone for a 6 yard touchdown. White connected with tight end Tyler Higgins on the two point attempt for a 14-7 lead.

Reagan County quarterback Joe Gillis proved an elusive prey for the Wolves. Gillis continually kept the Owls alive by escaping numerous heavy Wolf rushes. Colorado City junior Jacob Martinez recorded two of the few individual sacks late in the first quarter.

The Wolves took a 21-7 lead on a 2 yard run by Brooks with five minutes left in the first half. The score was set up by White's running and a 31 yard reception by Garza, who made the catch at the 4 with a leap over Reagan County defender Anthony Marquez.

A pass interference call against the Wolves in the endzone helped the Owls close the gap to 21-13 at halftime. Reagan County abandoned any rushing attempt for the third quarter. The Owls' Gillis hit Junior Evans with a 14 yard touchdown that made it 21-19 with 7:57 left in the third period. Gillis then gave Reagan County a 25-21 lead at 1:27 of the third period with a 19 yard touchdown strike to Jackson Taylor. Higgins made a huge play for Colorado City by recovering a White fumble at the Reagan County 23 yard line with 6:15 left in the game. Four plays later White hit Garza for the game winner.



MANUEL GARZA high steps a Reagan County defender to score the winning touchdown in Friday night's game.

W'brook loses to Trent

By Carl Graham

Westbrook Wildcat fans got a small glimpse of the future last Friday night, with a 66-20 score, in the inaugural game of the 1st annual "Rumble in the Jungle" classic played on Trent's $1.8 million artificial turf.

The young Wildcats battled the more seasoned Trent Gorillas tit for tat during the first quarter of play, scoring 20 points while giving up 22 to Trent. Unfortunately, the 20 points would be all Westbrook would be able to score on the night.

Westbrook freshman Tyler Morris had two 80-yard kickoff returns for touchdowns sandwiched in between a 50-yard touchdown strike from junior quarterback Kelby Bradbury to junior Vince Gaona. Sophomore Michael Bray toed up the extra two-point attempt after Morris' second runback to account for the final 20 points of the quarter.

Trent would add 30 more points in the second quarter to carry a 52-20 halftime lead into the locker room. The Gorillas added 14 points in the third quarter before ending the game early in the final stanza on the 45-point mercy rule.

Wildcat Head Coach Cooper Thornhill was disappointed in the way his team played after the first quarter.

"We began the game doing the things the way it takes to win ballgames," said Coach Thornhill. "And then we started to revert back to their old ways. We need to work on those things in order to get better."

Senior Colton Rich, Bray and Gaona played well on defense while Morris and senior Brandon Smoker picked up good yardage at times.

Junior Eli Farrell and senior lineman Wesley Goswick were still nursing injuries and did not dress out. Westbrook is still waiting a release from UIL on two transfer students and it is hoped they will be able to give help to the squad almost immediately.

The Wildcats will travel to Lueders-Avoca next Friday for a 7:30 p.m. showdown.

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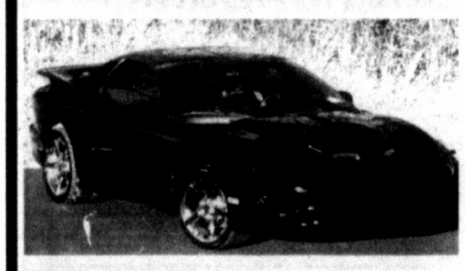
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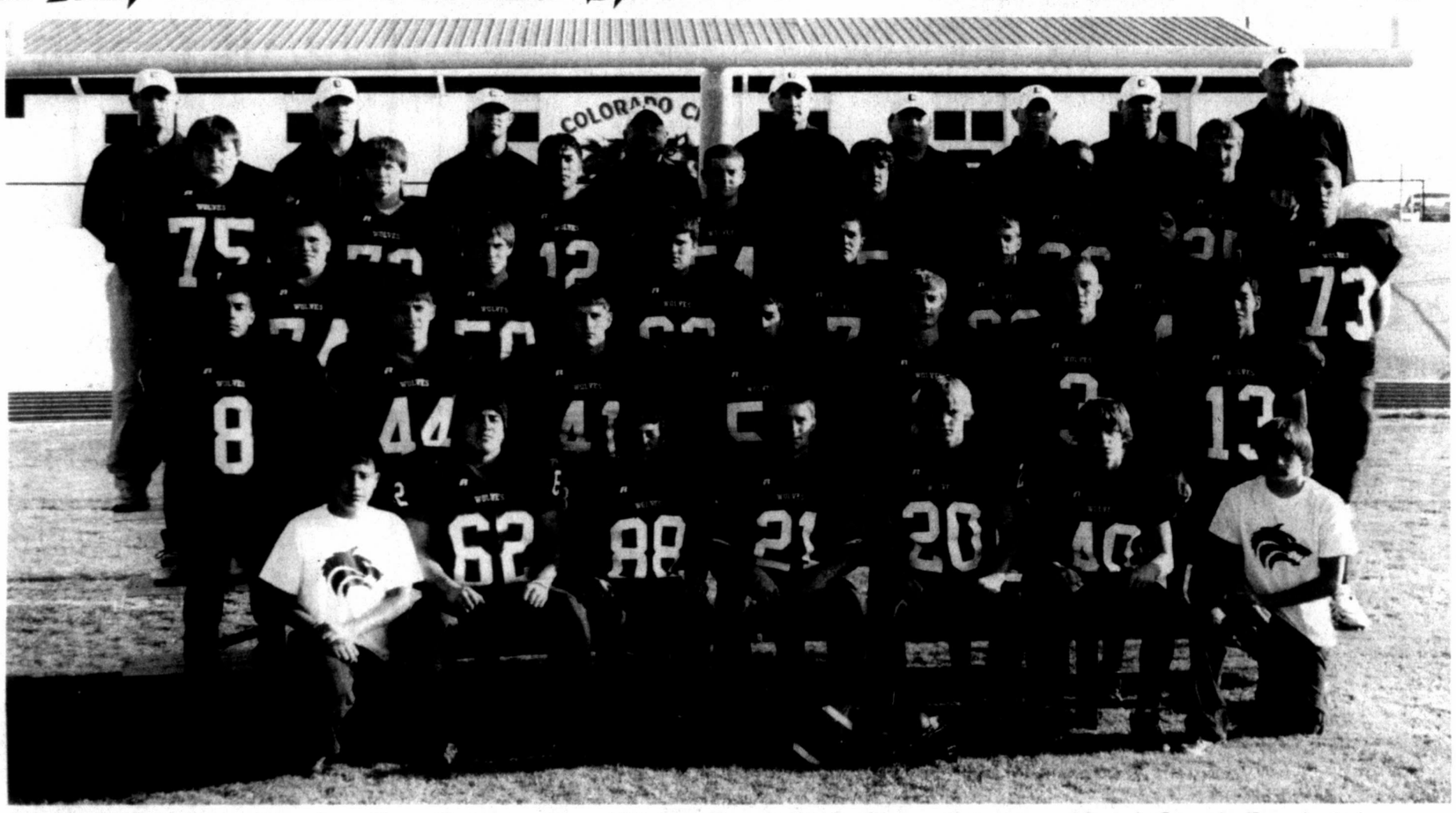
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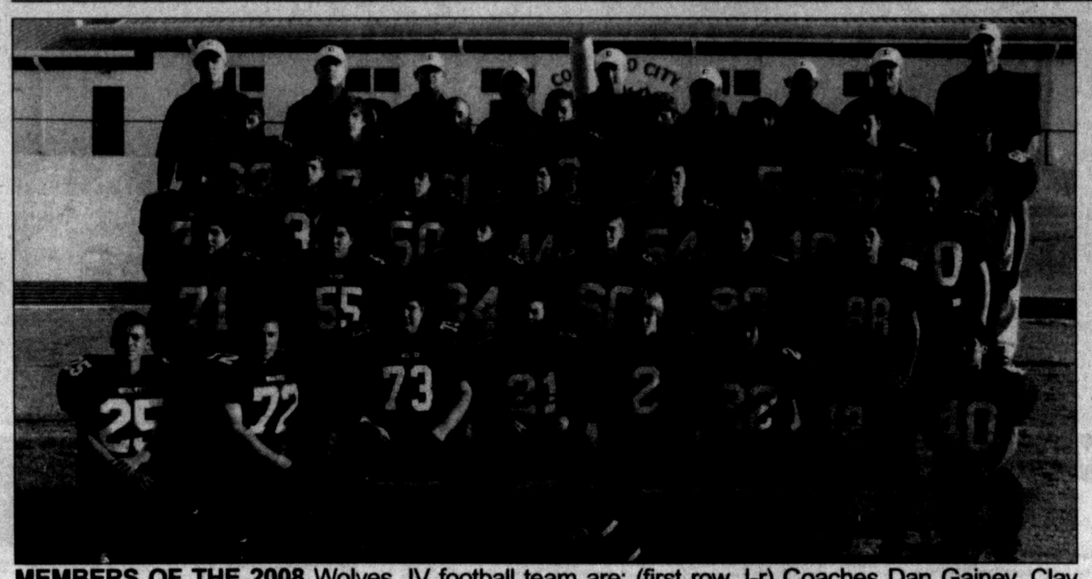
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JV Wolves 'defeather' R.C. Owls

The JV Wolves defeated the Reagan County Owls 33-16 last Thursday night at Reagan County.

The first score of the game came on a pass by Derek Gainey to Benny Jones in the first quarter. The Wolves managed to score again in the first quarter when Gainey connected with Jason Rodriquez for the touchdown.

Rodriquez scored again on another pass play in the second quarter. Jack Moffett added another two touchdowns, one in the third quarter and one in the fourth.

Bulldogs run out of gas against ACHS

By Carl Graham

The Loraine Bulldogs jumped on the Abilene Christian Panthers for a 14-0 lead in the first three and a half minutes of the game, but the Panthers persevered and held on to overcome the Bulldogs in the second half for a 52-32 win.

The game had two weather delays due to lightning in the area, but instead of giving the Bulldogs a breather, it seemed to give Abilene Christian new life.

Loraine got their early lead on a Jacob Sanchez to Anthony Gonzales pass play and on a Brandon Gibson touchdown run. Loraine would take a 32-24 halftime lead into the locker room after sophomore running back Jacob Benivamondez scored on one and two yard touchdown runs. The other Loraine score came on a Sanchez to Benivamondez pass play.

The weather delays caused about a two-hour delay in getting the final of four games played on Saturday at the first annual Rumble in the Jungle Classic held to show off their new two million dollar stadium and artificial turf. Loraine's game began at 4 p.m. but was not completed until around 8:30 p.m. causing the final game to not get started until around 9 p.m.

The Bulldogs, which came into the contest as a 45-point underdog, did show some early signs that they would be a team to be reckoned with this season. In the end, it was a lack of depth that spelled doom for the Bulldog squad.

"We just ran out of gas," said a disappointed head coach Steve Komppa. "It's the same old thing that has dogged this team for years. When you have to play most of your team both ways, the kids don't have a chance to hardly catch their breath. They never gave up on me; they just flat ran out of gas."

Loraine will have a chance to regroup this Friday when they play host to the Sterling City Eagles in a 7:30 p.m. contest.

Bulldogs go for rebound against Sterling City

By Carl Graham

After letting one get away last Saturday evening against Abilene Christian, the Bulldogs will be trying to make a rebound and bring their record up to 1-1 on the early season.

Sterling City, coached by the highly respected Clyde Parham, is in their first year of six-man football, but they hired the right man for the job in getting the Eagles off and flying in their inaugural six-man season.

The Eagles lost a hard-fought game to Santa Anna last weekend, a team that made the transition from six-man several years ago and already has had some success. Sterling City is picked last in the tough Division 1, district 8 that is composed of Fort Davis, Garden City, Water Valley and Rankin which are very capable teams. The Eagles are picked fifth in the district.

Sterling is expected to start 221-pound tight end Lyle Horwood, 210-pound center Oscar Galvin and 197-pound end Jacob Hasty up front on the line. Sophomore Tate Horwood is expected to be the starting quarterback with fullback Juan Martin and running back Abel Rivas holding down spots in the backfield. Rivas was top rusher last season with 849 yards on 202 carries.

Sterling City returned 14 lettermen from last season's 0-10 record in 11-man football.

Westbrook looking for first win

By Carl Graham

The Westbrook Wildcats showed they can score points last Friday night against Trent, scoring 20 points in the first quarter. Trouble is those 20 would be the only points they could manage in their 66-20 loss to the Gorillas.

With Eli Farrell expected to return from an ankle injury this week, it could provide some additional help on the line to assist quarterback Kelby Bradbury in getting his passes off. The Wildcats have changed their main offensive attack to the running game but had to switch the spread offense when they got behind last week.

Lueders-Avoca returns six starters on both sides of the ball from a 4-7 season record (2-1 in district), in losing in the bi-district round of the playoffs.

Expected to start at quarterback is David McCarter while the running backs should be Brandon Jones and Colton and Kevin Smith. Bretton Vickers is expected to hold down one end while the other end will be held down by Devin Smith. Anchoring the offensive line will be center Chris Lovett, a 190 pound senior. The defense is lead by sophomore linebacker Lucky Davis and defensive end Orrin Jones.

The Raiders are a more experienced team this season but will still have their work cut out for them as they have been placed in a district with both Rule and Woodson, both state finalists last seson.

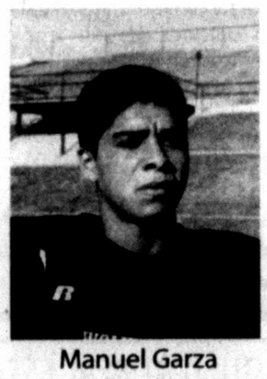
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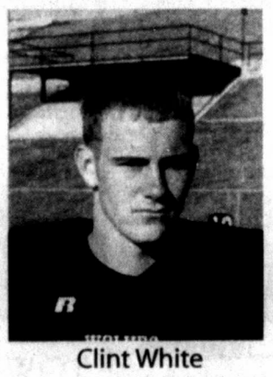
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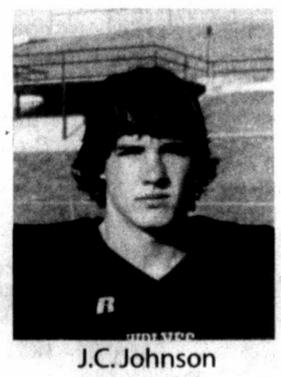
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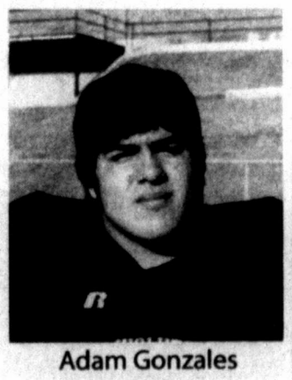
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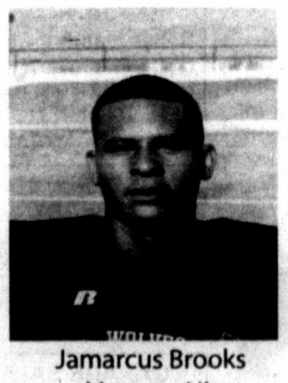
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If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative Zeno Farris, at (972)443-6489.

BID NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Westbrook ISD

The Westbrook Independent School District is soliciting proposals for:
CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK for: Phase IV Building Improvement Projects
Request for Proposals will be received in the office of Todd Burleson, Superintendent, Westbrook ISD, P.O. Box 99, Westbrook, Texas 79565 (102 N. Bertner) until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 23, 2008. Any proposals received after the deadline will be returned to the sender unopened. The Westbrook Independent School District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals to waive all formalities.
Proposal documents and related documents may be examined and acquired without deposit from the architect beginning Thursday, September 4, 2008.
BGR Architects, Inc.
2118 34th Street
Lubbock, Texas 79411-1734
(806)747-3881
Fax: (806)747-8214
A pre-proposal conference will be held on Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. in the Board Room of Westbrook ISD in Westbrook, Texas.

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Competitive Sealed Proposals to Mr. Todd Burleson, Superintendent for Westbrook Independent School District, Westbrook, Texas, hereinafter called "Owner" for Gymnasium HVAC in accordance with plans, specifications and contract documents which were prepared by and may be obtained from BGR Architects, will be received in the Office of the Superintendent, until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 16, 2008, and then publicly opened and read aloud. Any proposal received after closing time will be returned unopened. Proposals shall be enclosed in a sealed opaque envelope. The envelope shall be addressed to the Owner and shall be identified with the Project name, the Proposer's name and address.
Proposals will be received for the General Construction including Plumbing, Ventilating, Heating, Air Conditioning, and Electrical Work.
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Drawings and Specifications may be examined without charge in the offices of the Architect, and may be obtained from BGR Architects, 2118 34th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79411, upon a deposit of $50.00 as a guarantee of the safe return of the Plans and Specifications. The full amount of this deposit will be returned to each bidder immediately upon return of the Drawings and Specifications in good condition. No refund on contract documents and plans returned later than ten days after the award of the contract will be obligatory.

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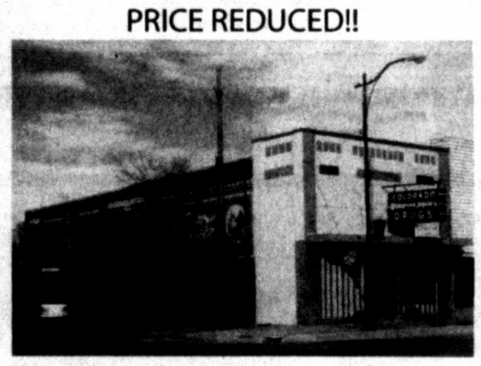
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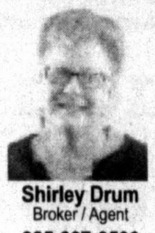
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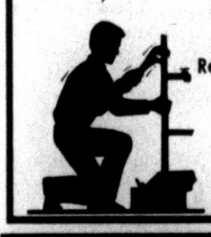
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POLICE REPORT

On Saturday, August 30 Officer Jimenez arrested a 34-year-old male in the 600 block of E. 13th for public intoxication. Subject was transported to MCSO.

On Saturday, August 30 at 7:30 p.m. Officer Jimenez took a report of a terroristic threat in the 900 block of Walnut. Case is under investigation.

On Saturday, August 30 Officer Berrie responded to a a theft over $50/ under $500 in the 1100 block of Oak. Case is under investigation.

On Saturday, August 30, Officer Berrie issued an OR # on found property in the 300 block of West 9th.

On Friday, August 29 Detective Bivins issued an OR # for DOC fighting in the 300 block of E. 12th.

On Friday, August 29 Lt. Pearson responded to a theft in the 300 block of Concho. Case is under investigation.

On Thursday, August 28, Officer Jimenez responded to a case of harassment in the 1900 block of Boyd. Case is under investigation.

On Wednesday, August 27 Det. Bivins responded to a case of criminal mischief in the 500 block of Oak. Case is under investigation.

On Wednesday, August 27 Det. Bivins arrested a 46-year-old female on municipal court warrants in the 100 block of W. 3rd. Warrants were served at MCSO.

On Monday, August 25, Officer Berrie arrested a 45-year-old male for no driver's license in the 400 block of 14th. Subject was transported to MCSO.

On Monday, August 25, Officer Berrie arrested a 27-year-old male in the 500 block of E. 8th on Mitchell County warrants and Scurry Co. Warrants theft by check. Subject was transported to MCSO.

On Monday, August 25, Det. Bivins responded to a complaint of criminal mischief involving damage to property in the 900 block of Hickory over $50/under $500. Case is under investigation.

On Monday, August 25, Det. Bivins responded to a complaint of theft of property over $5000 and under $20,000 in the 1400 block of Westpoint. Case is under investigation.

On Sunday, August 24, Officer McCumsey arrested a 45-year-old male in the 1200 block of College for assault by contact family violence. Subject was transported to MCSO.

On Sunday, August 24, Officer Jimenez arrested a 46-year-old female in the 1220 block of College on outstanding Mitchell County warrants. Subject was transported to MCSO.

On Saturday, August 23 at 5:34 p.m. Sgt. Hale received a report of terroristic threat in the 1300 block of Oak. Case is under investigation.

On August 23, Officer Berrie responded to a theft in the 100 block of E. 8th. Case is under investigation.

On Saturday, August 23 at 5:09 a.m. Officer McCumsey responded to a report of criminal mischief in the 1100 block of Nicolasa. Case is under investigation.

On Saturday, August 23, Officer McCumsey received a report of found property in the 700 block of Oak.

On Friday, August 22, Officer Jimenez responded to a case of assault by contact family violence in the 400 block of Vine. Case is under investigation.

On Friday, August 22 at 5:30 a.m. Officer McCumsey responded to a call of criminal mischief over $50/under $500 in the 200 block of Hickory. Case is under investigation.

On Friday, August 22 at 12:40 a.m. Officer McCumsey responded to an assault by contact family violence in the 1900 block of Colorado. Case is under investigation.

On Thursday, August 21 at 2:07 p.m. Lt. Pearson received a report of criminal mischief in the 2300 block of N. 208. Case is under investigation.

On Thursday, August 21 at 2:18 p.m. Lt. Pearson received a report of a vehicle striking a parked, unattended vehicle and leaving the scene in the 200 block of Concho. Case is under investigation.

On Wednesday, August 20 at 9:44 p.m. Det. Bivins responded to a report of theft under $50 in the 400 block of E. 14th. Case is under investigation.

On Wednesday, August 20 at 3:42 p.m. Lt. Pearson responded to a report of theft in the 800 block of Elm. Case is under investigation.

On Wednesday, August 20 at 8:28 a.m. Lt. Pearson received a report of a vehicle striking a parked, unattended vehicle and leaving the scene in the 2300 block of N. 208. Case is under investigation.

On Monday, August 18, Officer Jimenez arrested a 25-year-old male in the block of Exit 216 and south service road on Ector Co. warrants possession of prohibited weapon and possession of drug paraphernalia. Subject was transported to MCSO.

On Sunday, August 17, Officer Jimenez arrested a 25-year-old male on Austin PD warrants in the block of 16th Street and Austin. Subject was transported to MCSO.

On Sunday, August 17 at 12:13 a.m. Officer McCumsey responded to an assault by threat in the 2300 block of N Hwy 208. Case is under investigation.

New church program set

The First Presbyterian Church will begin a new program called Fun, Food and Fellowship on Wednesday, beginning September, 3rd, according to Pastor Dana Mayfield.

The program starts at 5:30 p.m. with a craft project, followed by dinner and then a short program.

"Currently, we are making Chrismons for an Advent Tree that will be part of our Advent Worship," Mayfield said.

Students are invited to bring their homework and use the time to complete it, if they wish.

Dinner will be served around 6:00 p.m., free of charge to everyone.

The weekly program will consist of either Bible study, community information, self improvement, current events or other topics of interest.

"All persons are welcome," Mayfield said.

First Presbyterian Church is located at 5th and Chestnut. For more information about the Wednesday programs, call 728-5235.

LORAINE NEWS

By Bessie Ann Vaughn
Loraine Correspondent

Joan Long went to Midland and visited with Eddie Merket and family and also Adam Merket and his family.

While in Midland, shed picked up her new eye glasses, so she can see what's going on now!

***

Rattlesnakes are still out and about. Jean Aaron who lives in Taylor Witta Apartments hears her cat making funny noises, and it had charmed a rattler right outside her front door.

***

Senior citizens are hosting a fundraiser next Sunday, Sept. 7th. The meal will be barbeque beef, potato salad, beans, bread, drink and dessert. Serving beings at 11:30 a.m.

The cost for adults is $6 and children under 12 eat for $3.

Come have a nice Sunday dinner and visit with friends and neighbors. Proceeds benefit the nutritional fund and will be appreciated.

***

We hope that you Loraine Ex-Students are planning to come to the homecoming celebration again this year.

From our newsletter, you are urged to drop a line for reservations to Loraine Ex-Students Association, P.O. Box 43, Loraine, TX 79532, if you plan to come. This is for the lunch caterers. Lunch will be served at your table at 12:30 p.m.

The cost of the meal will be $10 which you may pay when you come. All the proceeds from the $10 will go toward homecoming expenses.

Please drop a line to the association also if you plan to play golf. Sign in at 8:30 a.m. and tee off is at 10 a.m. Entry fee is $35.

***

Jan Millering is doing great after her back surgery. She has been walking a lot since.

She plans to walk to the Methodist Church Sunday evening for Fifth Sunday Singing and Hank will drive her home later.

***

Fifth Sunday Singing was held Sunday evening at Loraine Methodist. It had a nice attendance with a large array of great singers. Refreshments were served following the music.

***

Charlene Hays provided special music last Sunday at the Methodist Church. She sang "Someone to Care."

***

Ladies Luncheon will be held September 8th at 6 p.m. A wonderful time of fellowship with a guest speaker who will give a short devotional will be held.

Following the speaker, good food will be enjoyed along with good fellowship.

The meeting will take place in the fellowship hall at the Methodist Church.

***

J.A., Y. and Mike Sadler enjoyed a visit from Heather Sadler and her baby, Hadley. They are from Ohio and will stay until Wednesday.

Also, Barry Sadler and Katie have a new little girl named Gracie, and they live in Baytown.

***

Peggy and Ray Harmon were back in Loraine for a short stay. They do have a home here but spend more time at their residence at Greenville.

We always enjoy having them here.

***

We have concerns for Atwood Sheffield at this time. He is slated for a by-pass heart surgery.

Our concerns go out to Billie as well. She is in a lot of pain with her legs and back.

Our prayers and get well messages go out to our good friends and neighbors, A.K. and Billie Sheffield.

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Gerry and Dub Wooddell enjoyed having their family members visit on Sunday.

Visiting were Josh and Amy Wooddell and their four children from Colorado City, Jamie and Joanna Wooddell and Hunter of Robert Lee.

They had a nice get together.

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I reported after calling the center Friday that the center would be open Monday, Labor Day. They decided after press time to go ahead and close for the holiday.

I do hope you weren't too inconvenienced.

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We, in the community, hope you had a great holiday.

TAXES

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Comments on the city's debt, prompted a reminder that the debt was accrued over a long time period for unfunded state mandated repairs to the city water lines, along with the purchase of new water fields, to provide clean drinking water, "the best Colorado City has ever had," according to Steve Shutt, city manager. Part of the debt also includes emergency repairs to the lift stations, as well as other projects.

The council also approved bids for property that did not sell at the August 5 sheriff sale.

A $5,000 bid by Willie Martinez for property at 723 Locust was approved, as well as a $500 bid by Robert Allen Sharp for property at 1110 Austin Street.

CURFEW

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graffiti.

"We've gotten lots of complaints about the crimes, but no criticism on the curfew," said Summers.

Some of the restrictions under the curfew prohibit any minor from being in public places between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. of the following day on a school night, or between 12:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, during school holidays, or during summer vacation.

Violation of the curfew is a Class C misdemeanor and is punishable by a fine of not less than $50 and not more than $500.

"There's almost a total lack of remorse among today's youth," said Summers. "They have no concern for the consequences of their actions and no remorse for those actions."

"We've got some really good kids in Loraine, who work before school, and after school and during school. You don't like to see them punished by a curfew, but by the same token you can't be selective with a curfew except by age," he said.

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