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'Proud History, Promising Future'

Colorado City, Loraine & Westbrook

## Texas Main Street Resource Team says Colorado City has potential

By Tommy Wells  
Colorado City Record

Colorado City has all the three ingredients needed to make itself a vibrant, tourist destination: determined volunteers, location and location.

At least, that is the feeling of the Texas Main Street resource team that spent three days touring the community last week with Colorado City

Main Street Manager Cecilia Scott. The group indicated the community's location was a major plus due to easy access to several larger metropolitan areas.

"One of the things we were told to do was to take our impressions and put them on paper," said Nancy Wells, the Executive Director of the Odessa Main Street program and a

member of the resource team. "Some of the strengths I noticed for the city is it has a solid group of volunteers, and it is sitting in the center of three larger cities."

Wells addressed the city's tourism opportunities as part of her "Promotions" presentation. Each member of the team addressed a different part of

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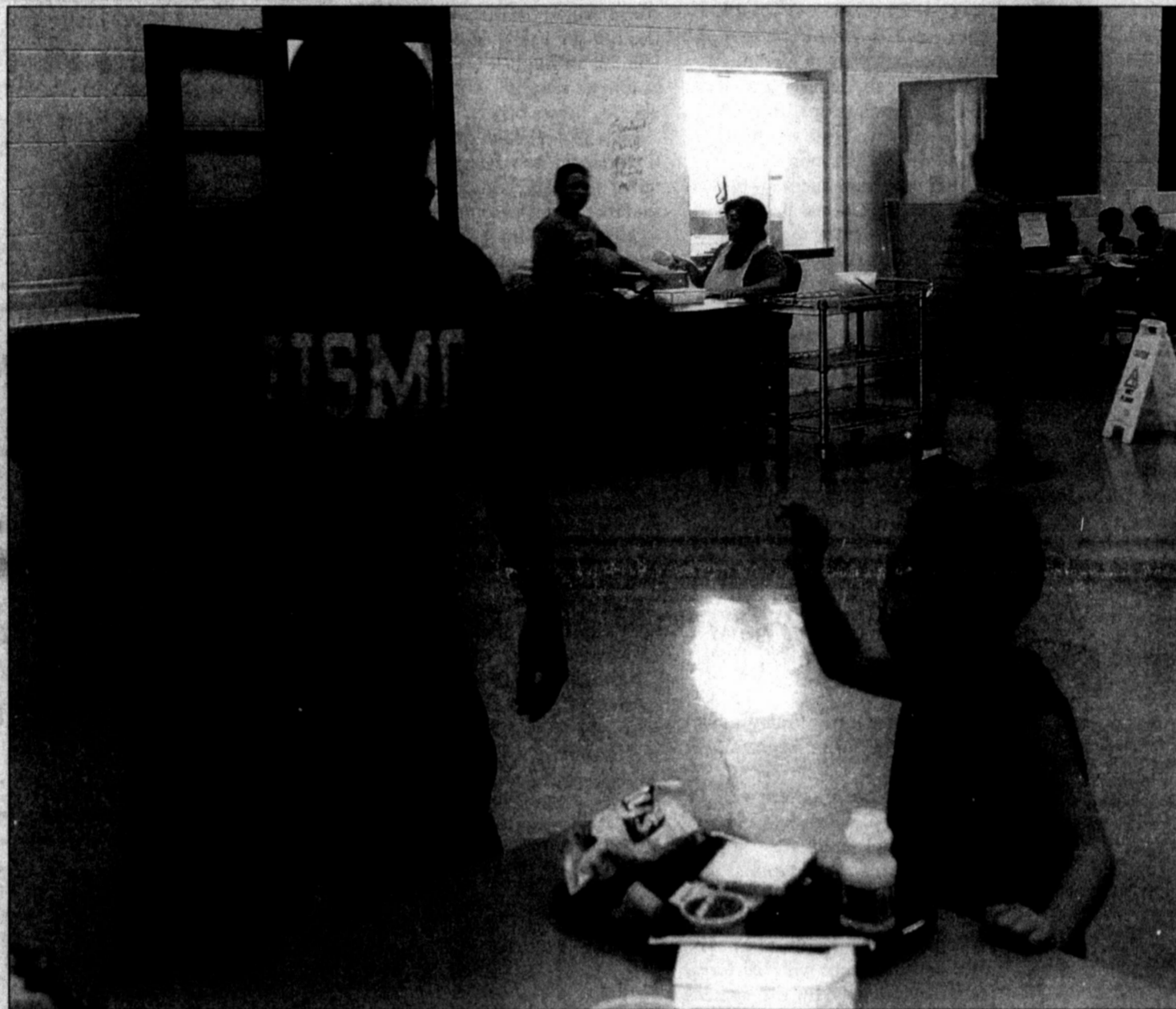


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Tommy Wells

**SUMMER ARRIVED**  
OFFICIALLY this past weekend as hundreds of people took to the water at Lake Colorado City State Park in an effort to beat the heat. Above, a woman attempts to keep her balance on a tube.

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Tommy Wells

**LORAIN HIGH SCHOOL** student Kenny Esquivel takes time out of his lunch break to play with kindergartener Angel Duran last Thursday. Duran, a "special needs" student who transferred into the Loraine ISD in February, has become a popular figure at the small Mitchell County school as students in all grades have taken him under their wings. Duran, with the help of LISD Special Education Teacher Bonnie Walker and LISD Special Education paraprofessional Gloria Lucas, has rapidly managed to learn part of his alphabet and how to distinguish between many colors.



## Mitchell County grads rake in funds

By Tommy Wells  
Colorado City Record

If scholarship money means success, Mitchell County might be the mecca of education ... and the home to some of the smartest seniors on the planet.

Mitchell County's 109 graduates raked in more than \$300,000 in collegiate scholarships over the past several weeks. The total makes it one of the top counties in West Texas in receiving funding for further educational opportunities.

By far, the biggest winner of the scholarship chase was Westbrook senior Trey Chavez. The 2006 WHS salutatorian was awarded more than \$78,000 in collegiate monies.

In all, Chavez was part of an amazing Westbrook senior class. Each of the 15 seniors that graduated last Friday evening received college scholarships. As a group, they accounted for more than \$283,000.

Westbrook valedictorian Andrew Hannon didn't do too badly, either. The son of former Westbrook teachers Andrew and Nancy Hannon, was awarded more than \$45,000 -- including an academic scholarship to Angelo State University.

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Trey Chavez

## ANGEL'S GIFT

### Loraine students find ways to embrace 'special' student

By Tommy Wells  
Colorado City Record

Emotionally, Loraine kindergartener Angel Duran is an island unto himself ... err, better make that was an island unto himself.

Duran, an 8-year-old special needs student who recently moved into the Loraine Independent School District, has found himself rich in ways he might never have imagined only a few months ago. Rich beyond his wildest dreams in a community that isn't one of the wealthiest -- or even average -- in the state.

Angel Duran, you see, has found friends. Friends who take him for

who he is -- special and unique.

"It's amazing how the other kids took to him," said Loraine ISD secretary Debbie Finley. "Everyone took him under their arms. It's pretty special to see how they took him under their arms."

"Some of our children don't have a lot, but you could always see them giving Angel something. It's amazing to see how they have reached out and shared with him."

"I like them," said Duran, the son of Melissa Birmingham. "They always come and play with me. They're my friends."

That statement, in itself, is a

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Tommy Wells

**AMONG ONE OF ANGEL'S "friends"** is Loraine High School junior Derek Martinez. Martinez, along with the student body and teachers at the school, have played a big role in Angel's ability to prosper and grow. Martinez presented the 8-year-old with a short set on his birthday a few weeks ago.

## Menudo Cook-off slated for weekend

The menudo will hit the pot this weekend ... along with a lot of other places as the annual Mitchell County Mex-Tex Menudo Cook-Off is scheduled to be held June 2-3 at Ruddick Park.

In addition to the menudo cook-off, there will be numerous other activities, including brisket, fajita and pork spare ribs cooking contests, as well as a hot sauce contest and the crowning of the menudo queen.

The action for the event is scheduled  
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### Around Town

Happy birthday Jeremy Ross (June 4)... Happy 59th anniversary Tandy & Lovess Curlee (June 7) ... Congratulations Crystal Stewart for making the South Padre cheerleading squad... Happy birthday Alicia Hernandez (June 5)... Darla Turner working on cheerleader fundraisers... Larry Johnson cooks a mean hamburger for the Kiwanis Club.

### Obituaries

Jack Lee Kenyon, Dallas  
Fannie Bess Sivalls, Midland  
Margarito Rodriguez, Jr., Loraine  
Kenneth Earl Kendall, Loraine

### Answerline

**Q. When will the various schools start in Mitchell County?**  
A. Colorado ISD starts August 17th, Westbrook starts August 21st and Loraine will begin classes on Sept. 5

### Briefs

**BBQ Sale**  
St. James Baptist Church will sell barbecue plates Sat., June 3 beginning at 11 a.m. Barbecue plates with all the trimmings will be sold for \$6 per plate.  
**VBS Set**  
Calvary Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School June 5-9 from 6 to 8:45 p.m. each night for kids kindergarten through sixth grade. Join us at the treasure cove and learn that Jesus is our most valuable treasure. For more information, call 728-2262.

**Story Time**  
Barbie Lelek will be doing Story Time at the Mitchell County Library on Wed., June 7th beginning at 10 a.m. All kids are welcome to attend this fun time at the library, which lasts about 30 minutes.  
**Paw Prints**  
The CHS Cheerleaders will paint addresses on curbs and paw prints on sidewalks and driveways, beginning June 12. Curb signs will cost \$10 and paw prints \$5 each. Call 728-5141, 737-2520 to place your order.

**BBQ Sale**  
The House of Hope Community Church, 200 W. 17th, will have a barbecue with all the trimmings on Sat., June 3 at 11 a.m. Call 728-5900 for delivery.  
**Swimming Lessons**  
Swimming lessons will be offered June 5-16, Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$20 per person. Anyone interested can sign up at the pool in Ruddick Park.

### Lake Levels

(as of May 30, 2006)  
**Lake Colorado City**...2066.84  
Full at 2070.3'  
Down 3.46'  
**Lake Champion**...2042.96'  
Full at 2083'  
Down 40.04'  
Levels courtesy of United States Geological Service

# LOCAL NEWS

## OBITUARIES

### Jack Lee Kenyon 1961 - 2006

Jack Lee Kenyon, 45, of Dallas, grandson of the late Gillian McEntire of Colorado City and former owner of Organics Landscaping and Design in Dallas, died Tuesday, May 16 after fighting AIDS and three bouts of cancer for more than 20 years.

At the time of his death, he was one of the longest surviving AIDS patients in the country - having become HIV positive in the early 1980s - and had battled the disease bravely and aggressively over the years. He was a participant in numerous medical studies both in Dallas and at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD. His participation in these studies likely contributed to his success in fighting the disease and facilitated many of the dramatic advances in AIDS research over the years. He also was an active volunteer at the Dallas AIDS Resource Center.

Jack was born in Lubbock and attended school in both Lubbock and Dallas until graduating from Monterey High School in Lubbock and attending Texas Tech. He moved back to Dallas in 1979 and started his landscaping business about 20 years ago. He worked on numerous residential and commercial properties, and a significant amount of his efforts can be seen in the gardens and landscaping designs of many houses that are part of the resurgence of residential renovations in Oak Cliff neighborhood in Dallas. He also designed the landscaping of several Greenville Avenue properties in Dallas, including the award-winning patio at J. Pepe's restaurant.

He is survived by his mother, Gillian Johnson, and her husband, Charley of Dallas; his brother, Bill Kenyon and his wife Patty, and son, Ben, of Austin; brother, John Kenyon and his wife, Codi, of Dallas, and sister, Carla Kenyon, and her daughter, Kenyon Demler, of Austin. He's also survived by his stepiblings Rob Johnson, Nancy Johnson and Dr. Miles Johnson and his wife, Cindy, and their children, Evie, Mac and Elle.

He also is survived by his adoptive family of Randy Woolley, Tom Jones, Charlie Mead and Bradley Jeffries of Dallas. These four were responsible for incredible acts of kindness to Jack, especially over the last few months of his life, and the family would like to issue a special thanks to them, as well as Dr. Brady Allen, his doctor whose dedication and friendship sustained Jack over these many years.

A memorial service was held Friday, May 19, at Oak Lawn United Methodist Church in Dallas. Memorials may be made to the Dallas AIDS Resource Center, 2701 Reagan St., Dallas, Texas 75219.



### Fannie Bess Sivalls 1906 - 2006

Fannie Bess Sivalls, of Midland, passed away Monday, May 22, 2006.

She was born May 14, 1906 in Colorado City, Texas. Her parents were Judge and Mrs. Charles Houston Earnest. Judge Earnest was an early day attorney in Texas. She married Donald Clair Sivalls in 1924 and moved to Cisco. In 1932 they came to Midland. Mr. Sivalls died in 1973. Mrs. Sivalls was one of the early members of the Church of the Holy Trinity. She served on the Vestry and was active in the Sunday school, Choir and Women of the Church. She was active in the Diocese of Northwest Texas, serving as President of the Women of the Diocese and was a member of the Commission on Ministry and Missions. She is listed in the "Who's Who in the Episcopal Church of the U.S." Mrs. Sivalls was the first woman on the Midland School Board and served two terms (1941-44). She was a member of the first Midland County Library Board. She also was active in forming the first Youth Center and instigated the first "All Night Senior Party" in 1954. She also served as a member of the Advisory Board of Kelsey-Seybold Foundation in Houston. She was a former member of the Resident's Council at Manor Park. She represented the Joe Crump Interests for 25 years.

She is survived by one daughter, Betty Rac Davis and her husband, Paul, of Midland, Texas; three grandchildren: Leighton Reed and his wife, Cynthia, of Denver, Colorado; Mary Jane Holmes and her husband, Bill, and Paul Davis III and his wife, Kathryn, all of Midland; seven great-grandchildren: Jessica Reed Larson and her husband, Andy, James Reed, Allyson, Ashley and Grace Davis, Mary Claire and Beth Ann Holmes; one great-great-grandson, Caden Larson; and seven nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her friend Linda Lewis.

She was predeceased by her husband, Donald Sivalls and her daughter, Mary Martha Reed. Memorial services were held Thursday, May 25, 2006 at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity in Midland. Arrangements were under the direction of EHS Funeral Home, 801 Andrews Hwy., Midland, Texas 79701 (432) 683-5555. The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be sent to the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, 1400 W. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701; Manor Park, 2208 N. Loop 250 W., Midland, Texas 79705; or the charity of one's choice.

### Margarito Hernandez Rodriguez Jr. 1964-2006

Margarito Hernandez Rodriguez, Jr., 42, died Mon., May 22, 2006. Funeral mass was held at 10 a.m. on Fri., May 26, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Loraine. Interment followed in the Loraine Cemetery, under the direction of Gutierrez Funeral Chapels.

Margarito was born in Loraine on Mar. 23, 1964 to Mary Hernandez Rodriguez and Margarito Rodriguez, Sr. He was a 1983 graduate of Loraine High School. He was a very dedicated father, son, brother, uncle, friend and employee. He worked as a nurses' aide in Mitchell County Hospital for four years. He coached basketball for six years and coached Mitchell County girls' softball for seven years. Margarito dedicated lots of his time to the St. Joseph's Catholic Church, where he was a member for several years.

Survivors include his children, Anita de la Rosa and husband, Moses, Marcelina Rodriguez and Margarito Hernandez Rodriguez III; his brothers, Guadalupe Rodriguez and wife, Marie, Martin Rodriguez and wife, Janie of Hamlin, Rafael Rodriguez, John Lee Rodriguez, Victor Diaz and wife, Rosalinda, all of San Angelo; his sister, Mary Lou Flores of San Angelo; numerous aunts, uncles, and other relatives.

### Kenneth Earl Kendall 1936-2006

Kenneth Earl Kendall, Sr., 70, of Loraine, died on Friday, May 26, surrounded by his loving family at his residence in Loraine after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held last Tuesday, May 30, at 10 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Loraine with the Rev. Joe Torres and Rev. Kiefer Cauble officiating.

Interment followed on Wednesday, May 31, with graveside rites at the Panhandle Cemetery in Panhandle, Texas.

"Ken" was born on May 10, 1936 in Refugio to Ina Lee Addison and Oscar Walter Kendall, Jr. He graduated from Refugio High School in 1954 and received higher education degrees from Tarleton State College, Texas Tech University and Texas A&M University. During college he served as an ROTC officer, obtaining the rank of Lt. Col. and Executive Officer. He married Shirley Williamson on Dec. 22, 1973, in Panhandle.

As a teacher, coach, and school administrator, he served in the following schools to include Levelland, Edinburg, Pharr San Juan Alamo, Abilene, Caldwell, Wharton, Weslaco, West Lake Hills, Lago Vista, Lampasas, Hitchcock, and Loraine before retiring as Loraine's superintendent in 1999 after more than 30 years in the field of education.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley of the home; three sons, Kenneth Kendall, Jr. of Woodville, Paul Kendall and wife, Beth, of Clinton, Missouri; and Jason Eric Kendall of Abilene; two daughters, Holly Lynn Rygaard and husband, Kevin, of Hitchcock, and Amanda Kay Kendall of Hitchcock; grandchildren, Austin and Blake Rygaard and Wesley and Emily Kendall, two brothers, A.C. of Shawnee, Ok., and O.W. of Stephenville; a sister, Roelien Coates of Dublin, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Rita Falls.



Record Photo/Tommy Wells  
AMONG THE CISD TEACHERS honored at the recent luncheon was retiring teacher Debbie Blair.

## Loraine graduates seven, several get scholarships

By Carl Graham  
Colorado City Record

It speaks highly of a graduation class when six of seven graduates receive scholarships, and even more so when four of the seven graduated with honors.

The graduation ceremony opened with the processional by Margaret Vaughn followed by the invocation given by Christabel Rodriguez, one of the seven graduates.

Michael Walker, who graduated third in his class, gave a brief history of the class from kindergarten to the 12th grade.

Salutatorian Heaven McGrael addressed the class of 2006, challenging them to go after the goals that they have set. She said that she was inspired during her senior year by her English teacher, guest speaker John Wood. She told family and friends gathered for

the graduation ceremonies that she has set a goal of one day becoming an English teacher herself and hope that one day she will be able to inspire others.

Luisa (Lucy) Rico gave the valedictorian address. Rico, the daughter of Jose and Escolastica Rico, said that obstacles sometimes come into our life, but that we have to overcome those obstacles, and not just give up and quit.

Jeanie Crawford introduced guest speaker John Wood, who highlighted things he gained during his first year at Loraine from each senior. Wood challenged the seniors to be the very best in whatever their lives took them.

Loraine principal Cindy Tribble presented six of the graduates with scholarship awards while U.S. Army recruiter Cpl. Thomas Lerchenfeld Jr. presented Michael Walker and Heaven McGrael with awards for being top athletic scholars.

Among the LHS students graduating were Luisa Rico, Heaven McGrael, Michael Sanchez, Jeanie Crawford, Gloria Rodriguez, Michael Walker and Daniel Austin.

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to get started early Friday morning with registration beginning at 9 a.m.

Opening ceremonies will be held at 6 p.m. with Colorado High School graduate Virginia Tovar singing the national anthem. Jackie Brem will deliver the invocation.

Beginning at 6:45 p.m., the Hermanos Ramos will perform, following shortly by the presentation of the 2006 Mex-Tex Menudo Cook-Off Queen winner.

Ricky Acosta will take the spotlight twice on Friday, performing at 8:45 p.m. and again at 11 p.m.

At 11 a.m. on Saturday, the King/Queen Fashion Show will be held, as will a Selenia contest, followed at noon by the watermelon eating contest.

Beginning at noon, the musicians will take center stage. Grupo Verano will perform from noon to 1:30, followed by Sol, Emocion Latino, Those Guyz Crunjinto, Grupo Extremo will take to the stage at 6:30 p.m., followed by Tejano superstar David Lee Garza at 8 p.m.

For more information contact Chris Castillo at (325) 728-5591.

## CISD honors staff with awards, luncheon

By Tommy Wells  
Colorado City Record

Colorado Independent School District teachers finally got what they really wanted last week: A free meal and a pat on the back.

CISD officials honored the staffs at the communities four campuses on May 19 at a 1p.m. awards luncheon at Colorado Middle School. In all, more than 30 teachers were honored for their efforts through the years.

CISD Board of Education President Charles Walker joined board members Mike Ratliff, Cliff Shiller, Lisa Hernandez, Larry Mason, John Martinez and Cecilia Scott in presenting the awards.

Among the teachers honored for having worked in the CISD system for five years were Melinda Alexander, Les Anderson, Jackie Corbell, Nova Dea, Amelia Espinoza, Allison Haynes, Tia Matlock, Cheryl McNeal, Norman

McNeese, Krissy Morris, Dana Partin, Patrick Partin, Lisa Rees, Josefina Velasquez, Lisa Wilcox, Kelly Wright.

Those teachers receiving 10-year service pins included: Linda Clay, Jessica Crawford, Maria Davila, Rebecca Leija, Jody Messick, Ann Nobles.

Beverly Adams, Jimmie Bell, Tommie Cain, Maggie Martinez and Robert McNeal all received 15-year pins, while Leah Daves and James Owens both earned 20-year accolades.

Orphie Conner, Linda Gardner, Emma Godina and Teresa Lemonds all were presented with 25-year pins, while Linda Mathis and Anita Reyna were given 30- and 35-year pins.

In addition to presenting the service pins, board members also honored Debbie Blair, who announced recently she was retiring from CISD.

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# LOCAL NEWS

## RESOURCE

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Main Street's four-point program at a public meeting last Thursday evening at the Colorado City Civic Center. Other items discussed at the meeting were enhancing the physical appearance of the downtown commercial district, building cooperation among business owners, and economic restructuring.

"You guys are sitting right in the center of the cities of Odessa, San Angelo and Abilene," said Wells. "If you are not drawing from those places with your special events, you are missing out. Colorado City is about 100 miles from each of those places and is easily accessible by the interstate."

By trying to attract interest from the larger communities, Colorado City could help itself economically by bringing additional money in.

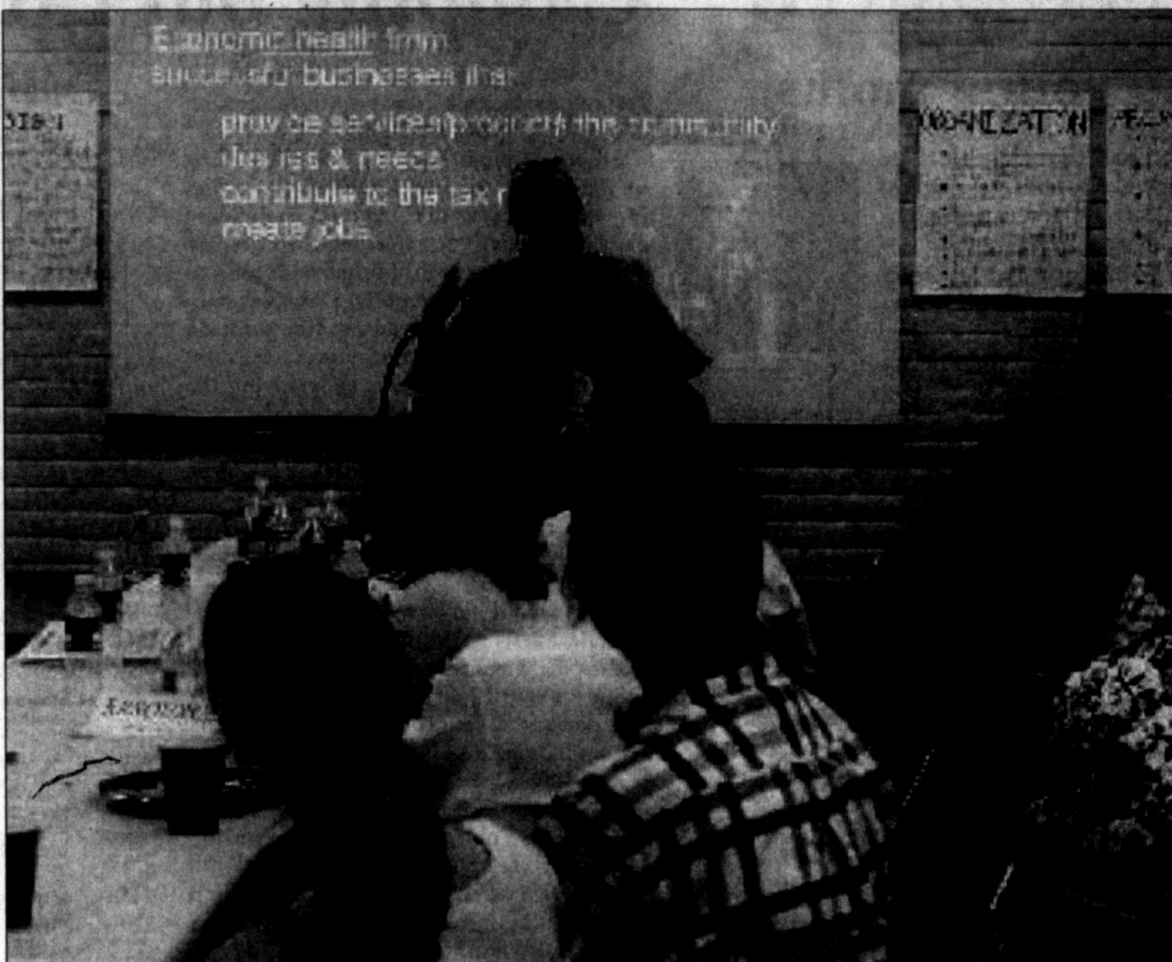
"Promotions are important for a variety of reasons," she said. "First, it draws people to town and it gives your volunteers a chance to buy into the concept. It also allows tourism dollars to come into the city. That's money that would not normally be

here." Texas Main Street State Coordinator Debra Faust told the crowd of approximately 100 city officials and local residents the Main Street program could aid Colorado City's efforts to become a tourist destination by helping it improve physically.

"Every downtown is unique," she said. "There is no two downtowns in the world that are identical. That's one of the things that makes Colorado City what it is. We need to build on that."

As part of its tour, resource team members met with downtown business owners to discuss options for rehabilitating older buildings. Old and historic buildings in need of repairs can be eligible for grants and state funds.

In addition to improving the look of downtown and drawing tourists into the community, Faust said Colorado City could further strengthen itself by developing a solid cooperative effort between businesses, as well as attempting to diversify its economic base.



TEXAS MAIN STREET state coordinator Debra Faust talks to a large crowd at the Colorado City Civic Center last Thursday during the Main Street Resource Team's meeting with city residents. The team said the community had strong potential for income through tourism based on its geographic closeness to larger metropolitan cities.

## 'Little Lives' coordinator gets probation

Former Family Services Coordinator Maria Flores Reyes was ordered to serve three years probation on a deferred adjudication ruling issued earlier this month by the 32nd District Judicial Court in Nolan County.

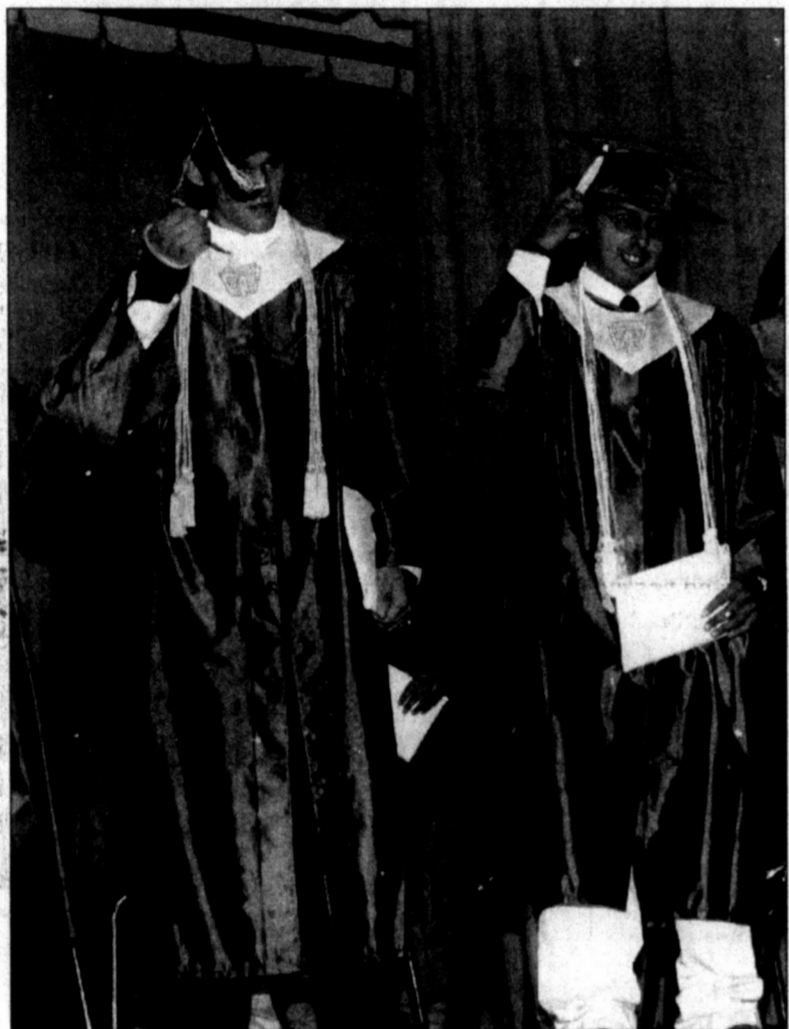
Originally indicted by a grand jury on May 18, 2004, Reyes was charged with theft of over \$15,000 by a public servant, a third degree felony, according to the Sweetwater Reporter.

Reyes allegedly stole money from the mother of one of her clients while working for the "Little Lives ECI" program in Sweetwater.

Reyes, as part of her job, would commute a young Roscoe girl to the hospital to obtain medical needs. As the doctors bills were released to Reyes, she did not turn the expenses over to MHMR, but doubled the amounts on the receipts and informed the family they had to pay for those expenses.

From May 2002 to January 2004, Reyes allegedly took approximately \$6,045 worth of fraudulent medical expenses from the family. The investigation also uncovered an income tax refund check in the amount of \$3,500 that was given to Reyes in cash for her services.

Reyes was also ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine, \$301 in court costs and \$6,045 in restitution to the West Texas Center MHMR.



WESTBROOK VALEDICTORIAN JOSIAH HANNON and SAULTATORIAN TREY CHAVEZ turn their tassels during graduation ceremonies Friday. As a class, the WHS seniors received more than \$280,000 in scholarship funds

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graduates did extremely well, too. The students -- including those from Colorado High School and Wallace Accelerated High School -- earned in excess of \$40,000 in college monies.

Nathan Smith was among the bigger scholarship recipients announced at the Colorado High School graduation ceremonies. He received more than \$8,000 in scholarships.

Courtney Pharis and Virginia

Tovar also received considerable amounts, as did valedictorian Sagan Everett.

At Loraine, the students accumulated more than \$4,500 in scholarship funds.

LHS valedictorian Luisa Rico was among the big scholarship recipients, hauling in approximately \$1,700 along with the valedictorian scholarship. Gloria Rodriguez received \$1,650, while Heaven McGrael landed \$750.

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# OPINION & COMMENTARY

## TUMBLEWEED SMITH

### Planes, babies and young moms

At airports I see young mothers traveling with a baby and a three-year-old toddler. It is an amazing sight. The mother is pushing a baby carriage and a three-year-old toddler. It is the size of a Volkswagen. I have large wheels, pockets, shelves, brakes, a sun visor and windshield. Built-in, snap-on compartments hold everything from baby bottles to pacifiers.

The mother is pushing the stroller while carrying half a dozen bags strapped over her shoulders. Her toddler is wearing a backpack filled mostly with toys and books. The mother seems calm, cool and collected. She apparently has done this before and doesn't consider it to be anything out of the ordinary. No big deal.

I think your mothers traveling by air with a couple of youngsters are courageous individuals. They are certainly organized. When they stop to get a bite to eat at an airport walk-up restaurant, they serenely stand in line, wait their turn and order their food. The young mom now has more to carry and does it with all the class and style of a model walking down a runway at a fashion show. It is a ballet of calculated movement and skill. The toddler helps, usually carrying a small drink the mother has just purchased.

When they get to a table, the mother puts down the food, disengages herself from the bags on her shoulders, tends to the baby in the carriage and prepares the food for the walking child. Then she eats. It can't possibly be an enjoyable experience because she's constantly checking on the baby and the three-year-old. But we seldom see any signs of agitation. Although the moms must be under considerable pressure, they seem composed, appearing tranquil and unruffled.

Standing in line, I see the paraphernalia and wonder how in the world is all that going to get on the plane. Sometimes the mom checks the carriage and a piece of luggage. Sometimes the whole shebang gets on the plane.

Passengers are wonderful to help. They see the young mom struggling with all the stuff in a small, crowded space and offer to help. Usually the moms let them put a bag in the overhead space and hold other items while she gets seated.

On crowded planes, when the mother arrives late, passengers cooperate to make sure the mom and her toddler are able to sit together. Babies in arms travel free if they're under two years old. That means the mother has the hold the baby during the entire flight.

I usually see this on short flights of an hour or so. The baby, doesn't dry, the toddler reads a book or drinks from a sippy cup. When the flight passengers again are willing to help load up the mom with all her belongings. They appreciate her ability to not only cope, but also do so without complaining. Way to go, girls. You're amazing.

## Camping out can be a stressful event

It looked like such an easy thing to do. Just roll it out, stick a few pegs in the ground and run the braces through.

Fifteen minutes max and I'd be standing in the middle of a luxurious tent, waiting for my munchkins to bring me a chair and a glass of lemonade as I watched the boats zip past on the lake. Aaahhh, that was going to be my life over the Memorial Day weekend.

Of course, I didn't read the fine print on the instructions. The 15 minutes it was talking about was in reference to removing the tent from its heavy protective wrapping and a box that made the tent appear as large as the Taj Mahal. Actually, I didn't read the instructions at all ... how hard could it be? I mean, the whole thing consisted of four stakes, two long bendy poles and a few hundred zippers.

"You should probably read the instructions," She-Who-Must-Not-Be-Made-Mad said as she watched me fight with the packaging at about 10:30 a.m.

"I don't need them," I retorted. "I can look at the picture on the box and figure it out pretty quickly. I've done this before. You know they're all the same basically."

After I had borrowed a pocket knife and a Jaws of Life apparatus to open the tent's packaging, I threw the tent onto the ground and carefully unrolled it. I must admit, the 500 miles per hour wind we had made it rather challenging to spin the tent around 395 times so that my significant other could have the opening facing the water. But -- after be-

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PATH...  
By  
TOMMY WELLS  
EDITOR



ing blown halfway to Kentucky -- I managed to fall down in spread eagle fashion on the tent. I can assure you with the sun baking my back like eggs on a grill, driving stakes into the ground while remaining in a police search position -- while your spouse and children are rolling on the ground laughing at your fight with the tent and wind -- is not an easy or enjoyable chore.

Finally, I managed to drive the last of the four tent stakes into the ground. A quick glance at SWMNBMM's watch revealed it had only taken 45 minutes.

I was only 30 minutes off schedule, but that's okay because everyone knows those boxes always exaggeration that kind of stuff. It's how they make it seem better than it is.

After getting the tent turned and staked down, I took a momentary break to allow my wife to water me down with sunblock that made me even whiter than I already am. I'm not saying I had too much on, but if I had been home in Alaska, some sexy snowwoman would have thought I was cute ... not only that, but my buddy, Tony, took to calling me

Casper for the rest of the weekend. At about 11:45 a.m., I was sufficiently white enough to re-enter the sunny world. All I had to do was assemble the pole sections, run them through the pre-made fabric openings and BAM!, our two-man (actually, 1 man and 1 woman) home away from home would be up.

Somewhere around 2 p.m., Tony and I figured out how to put to poles together. I'm guessing, at about 3:15, we had conquered the wind and the poles and managed to erect the two sides of the tent. It only took me about five hours, but our little love cabin was standing -- whenever the wind wasn't blowing.

I must report the wind did stop blowing the next afternoon and we did manage to attempt to sleep in the tent ... at which time we found out it has a serious malfunction. The tent we had so carefully purchased seemed to have a magnetic effect on rocks. I'm almost certain every rock within 35 miles of our tent was drawn under the protective flooring.

I crawled from the tent the following morning burned, bruised and tired ... and facing the chore of dismantling the dang cabin of discomfort.

"Man, I slept like a log," Tony said when he awoke. "Let's do this again next weekend."

"Okay, but this time I'm going to pick the spot," I said. "Where do you want to go?"

I'm kind of thinking any Holiday Inn with a queen-sized mattress, and air conditioner and a pool would be good.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

I am writing this letter in regards to Lake Colorado City.

I have been a resident of the lake for three years now. Prior to living here, we had two weekend homes. My husband, I and our four children learned to ski on this lake. Now, one of our grandchildren has learned to ski here. In short, we have spend many, many hours having fun on this lake.

Now to the point -- the shape of docks and businesses on the lake. There are so many docks that have fallen into the water and nothing, not one thing, has been done to repair them or remove them. I realize that any of the above constitutes spending money, but if a window were to be broken, a water line burst, etc., I can assure you that these problems would be repaired.

After our recent storm on May 2, there are now more docks in need of repair. I just wonder -- do these property owners realize the liability they could be facing. An example: Poles that are not removed and are lurking under the water for someone to fall on or for a boat to hit and have major damage.

One property owner has a dock that at one time was very nice, it began to sink, the walkway buckled as well as the wood on the dock itself and how hardly anything is visible. What a site!! The owners actually come to the lake and have not done anything. They have been asked about this and the reply, "Oh, I have a new dock to replace this one." Well, then why not replace it! Another fishing house (across the lake from my home) was beginning to sink and now it is half in the water and not a pleasant site for anyone. This is not to mention another business that the fishing house and dock has been sinking for years and the poles are what is visible now. I wonder where the tin went? This just absolutely amazes me.

After the recent storm, our neighbor, who lives in Denver City, had damage to

his dock. He was here within days and that dock is no longer in the water, nor are the mud poles. This was an inconvenience for him, but he came and took care of business. I thank him so much for taking care of the problem.

My main concern, other than the appearances, is the safety issues. There are too many obstacles under the water that are just waiting for a horrific accident to happen. I just hope and pray that it doesn't have to be a fatal accident for eyes to be wide open. The liability issues are there and I hope that property owners will take heed to the many possibilities.

I am on a mission! I know that other residents of the lake have the same concerns. Let's put our heads together and

see what we can do to make the lake a pleasing site for ourselves, visitors and potential property owners.

Galynn Gamble  
Lake Colorado City

Dear Editor:

My mom just sent me a box full of Colorado Records and I saw that there is a web page now.

It's good to have a place I can go to for home town news. And though I have traveled far and wide across this earth these things stand true, God bless America; there is no place like home, Home! em Horns and go Wolves!!

Signed  
AIC Jason A Graham  
Yokota AFB JP

## POLICE REPORT

On Mon., May 22nd at 11:18 a.m., a complainant in the 800 block of Vine reported a theft in progress. The officer located the alleged thief and the stolen item in the 400 block of Austin. A 47-year-old male subject was arrested and transported to Mitchell County Jail.

On Mon., May 22nd at 9:56 a.m., a gas drive off was reported in the 500 block of North Service Road of I-20. The case was investigated and was later resolved by payment of the amount owed.

On Mon., May 22nd, a subject in the 100 block of W. 10th advised of ongoing problems with juveniles. Case is under investigation.

On Mon., May 22nd a complainant in the 2300 block of N. Hwy. 208 advised of being threatened with a knife by a known subject, placing her son in danger. Case is under investigation.

On Mon., May 22nd, an officer investigated a theft case in the 800 block of 6th St. Case is under investigation.

On Tues., May 23rd at 6:10 p.m., one subject was arrested at 8th and Austin for DWI felony and transported to the Mitchell County Sheriff's Office.

On Wed., May 24th, property was found in the 600 block of Oak.

On Thurs., May 25th at 10:20 p.m., the department received a complaint of a subject in the 500 block of Hickory driving off without paying for fuel. Case is under investigation.

On Fri., May 26th at 2:04 a.m., a 43-year-old male subject was arrested for Public Intoxication and transported to Mitchell County Sheriff's Office.

On Fri., May 26th at 4:08 p.m., a 63-year-old female was arrested in the 1300 block of Oak for criminal trespass and transported to Mitchell County Sheriff's Office.

On Fri., May 26th at 5:36 p.m., a 21-year-old male subject in the 2000 block of Hickory was cited for theft under \$50 and released.

On Fri., May 26th at 10:42 a.m., a call reporting suspicious activity at 14th and Waco resulted in the arrest of a 25-year-old male for public intoxication. He was transported to the Mitchell County Jail and released into their custody.

On Sat., May 27th at 3:58 p.m., a subject in the 100 block of W. 2nd reported a subject was harassing her. Case is under investigation.

On Sat., May 27th at 8:37 p.m., a subject in the 900 block of Oak reported other subjects were fighting. Case is under investigation.

On Sun., May 28th at 8:45 p.m., a 29-year-old male in the 100 block of 3rd St. was arrested in reference to an outstanding warrant. Subject paid and was released.

On Mon., May 29th at 1:34 a.m., a subject on I-20 reported another person had been assaulted. Case is under investigation.

## PUBLIC RECORDS

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Charles Wayne Claxton, Marcy A. Claxton to Troy A. Powell, Warranty Deed.

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Encarnacion T. Lopez Jr., Emma O. Lopez to Peggy Fenton, Warranty Deed.

Philip Vigil to Select Portfolio Servicing, Quitclaim Deed.

FILED IN COUNTY COURT  
Eric R. McDonald, 5-23-06, Poss Marij <4oz>2oz.

Krishna Castillo, 5-23-06, Theft >>\$20-\$500 by Check.

Jose C. Huerta, 5-25-06, Crim Trespass.

Victor Flores, 5-25-06, Fail to Identify Giving False.

Norma Leticia Cardona, 5-25-06, Driving While License Invalid.

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James Lara, 5-25-06, Driving While License Invalid.

MARRIAGES  
Amado Cabrera, Sweetwater to Michelle Gutierrez, Colorado City.

Andrew Lord, Lubbock to Megan Dawson, Lubbock.

Jesse Limones Jr., Loraine, to Lindsey Gaston, Loraine.  
Shawn Prine, Colorado City to Lori Martinez,

Colorado City.

ARRESTS  
Paul James Garcia, 30, MCSO, IBC Warrants x7, 5-23-06.

Adam M. Disiere, 26, THP, DWLI, 5-23-06.

Urbano Hernandez, 38, CCPD, DWI 2nd, Assault Cases BI, Terroristic Threat, 5-23-06.

Richard Walser, 57, CCPD, DWI-F, 5-23-06.

Melanie Oswald, 41, MCSO, DWI-F, DWI MTR (Midland), 5-24-06.

Marty Joe Reed, 38, MCSO, IBCx4, 5-24-06.

Guadalupe Martinez, 43, CCPD, PI, 5-26-06.

Teresa Valdez Lopez, 63, CCPD, Criminal Trespass, 5-26-06.

Marcos Patricio Diaz, 39, THP, Capias x4, 5-26-06.

Phillip Brandon Martinez, 25, CCPD, PI, 5-27-06.

Bradley Heath White, 31, TPWD, BWI, 5-27-06.

Earnest LeRoy Mills, 23, THP, Fugit. From Probat., Poss. of Drug Par, DWI-1st, No DL, 5-27-06.

Kevin Eric Lamb, 33, TP, Warrants, Seat Belt, Theft by Ch., Poss Drug Par., Fug Prohibited Weapon, 5-27-06.

Buddy Paul Lenard, 41, THB, Pom<2oz, No DL, 5-27-06.  
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# LOCAL NEWS

## SPECIAL

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huge step forward for Duran, who was reluctant to speak prior to moving to the community of about 700 people from his home in New Mexico in February.

"The other students took to him immediately," said Loraine special education aide Gloria Lucas, who works with Duran in a one-on-one setting. "It's so great of them. Every day, we would be sitting at lunch and they (the other students) would come and hug him and play with him. They really watched over him and went out of their way to talk to him."

The students - living in a community where the average household income is almost half of the national U.S. average -- even helped throw him a birthday party - complete with gifts.

For Duran, each of the gifts were more precious than gold. The short set given to him by Derek Martinez is a treasured item, as are the Bulldog hat given to him by a teacher and the money given to him by fellow student Nancy Talamantes. After the party, he refused to take the gifts home, fearing they would be damaged.

Even the opportunity to wear Loraine High School student Beau Preston's cowboy hat was a special event.

"I like cowboys," he said. "I watch them on TV when I'm at home."

Adjusting to life in Loraine was a bit of an adjustment for the LISD teachers - who had not worked with many special needs children over the past 12 years. In fact, many admitted to being concerned.

"I was scared at first because of how he might act," said Lucas. "I wasn't sure I was going to be able to handle him, but Mrs. (Bonnie) Walker told me it would be a special time for me and it has been. He's an amazing young man ... We have bonded so much."

Lucas now says she looks forward each day to working with him - so much so, in fact, she even picks him up each morning and brings him to school.

"Mrs. Walker and I went every morning to pick him up," Lucas said. "He was always waiting in his lawn chair for us to pull up. If we weren't on time, he would tell us, 'You're late.'"

"I wasn't really concerned," said Walker, the school's special education teacher. "I have worked with special needs children before. Some of the teach-

ers who hadn't been around that before were a little worried, but as soon as they got to know him, they were great. They always played with him and made him feel welcome."

The experience helped Duran, too.

After arriving from New Mexico, he entered the Loraine school system reluctant to speak or interact with the other students. He also was unable to recite the alphabet or name different colors.

When school dismissed for the summer last Friday, Duran could say the ABC's up to the letter F and name five of the seven colors kindergarten students are required to know.

"We've got big plans for him," said Walker. "He's come almost 100 percent from where he was. He is such a special young man. When he comes back next year, we're going to begin having him interact in the classroom more with the other students."

"Mrs. (Jana) Edmonds and I have already started talking about his schedule," she said. "Angel is still going to spend a lot of one-on-one time with Mrs. Lucas, but we're going to put him in with the other students more."

Neither Lucas or Walker feel that will be bad for Duran, who helped Rick Lucas plant new trees and flowers on the LISD campus earlier this month.

"Everyone really watched over him," said Walker. "Children have a way of accepting him. It's so great to see how they just accept him and not let it bother them. It's been so great for them and for Angel, too."

"He really enjoys coming to school and being around the other children,"

"I like them," he said. "They're my friends. They always play with me."

"It's been nice to see how the others accepted him," said Walker. "He's probably given them as many smiles as they have given him."

In the end, the gift of friendship is the least expensive, and most valued gift of all for everyone. And it has helped at least one island become a lot better place to be.

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## Wilder: TXU's new investment will reduce power costs, create new jobs

By Tommy Wells

Colorado City Record

TXU Corp. president and CEO John Wilder said Colorado City wouldn't be the only community in Texas to benefit from the company's proposed \$10 billion investment in coal-fired power plants. The entire state, he said, would benefit from reduced power costs.

Wilder, speaking to shareholders at a meeting last Friday in Dallas, said the increased rise in natural gas prices had reached

"historical levels" and made the cost of generating electricity extremely volatile. It also means TXU and other companies would have to begin investing in other methods to provide low-cost power to its customers.

By investing \$10 billion in a series of coal-operated power plants - one of which has been proposed for the Morgan Creek site, Wilder said he believes the company can reduce power costs to its customers as well as create more than 21,000 permanent

jobs. The Morgan Creek power plant would be an investment of approximately \$1.7 billion in Mitchell County and bring hundreds of jobs to the region.

Wilder said the creation of the coal-fired power plants would also benefit Texans by enabling the state to reduce its dependence on natural gas. According to Wilder, the state currently generates approximately 72 percent of its power from natural gas. The national average for the rest of the U.S. is 45 percent.

He also said TXU was working hard to make sure emission levels were greatly improved to better protect the environment.

"Perhaps more importantly, while doubling our solid-fuel generation capacity, we will be reducing key emissions by 20 percent from where they are today," he said. Wilder noted TXU was voluntarily investing up to \$500 million to improve air quality, and that the company will invest \$2 billion in next-generation technology.

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# SOCIETY NEWS



Jimmie and Norma Sorrells ... 2006

## Couple celebrates 50th anniversary

Jimmie and Norma Sorrells of Dunn will celebrate 50 years of marriage on Sat., June 3, 2006. A golden anniversary reception hosted by their children will be held in their honor from 2:30 to 5 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church in Snyder, located at 2405 35<sup>th</sup> Street.

Norma Jean Jones and Jimmie Don Sorrells were married on June 1, 1956. Marion H. Hayes, pastor of the Dunn Church of Christ, officiated the ceremony held in the home of Ernest and Sina Sorrells, the groom's parents. The couple took a honeymoon trip to Carlsbad, New Mexico.

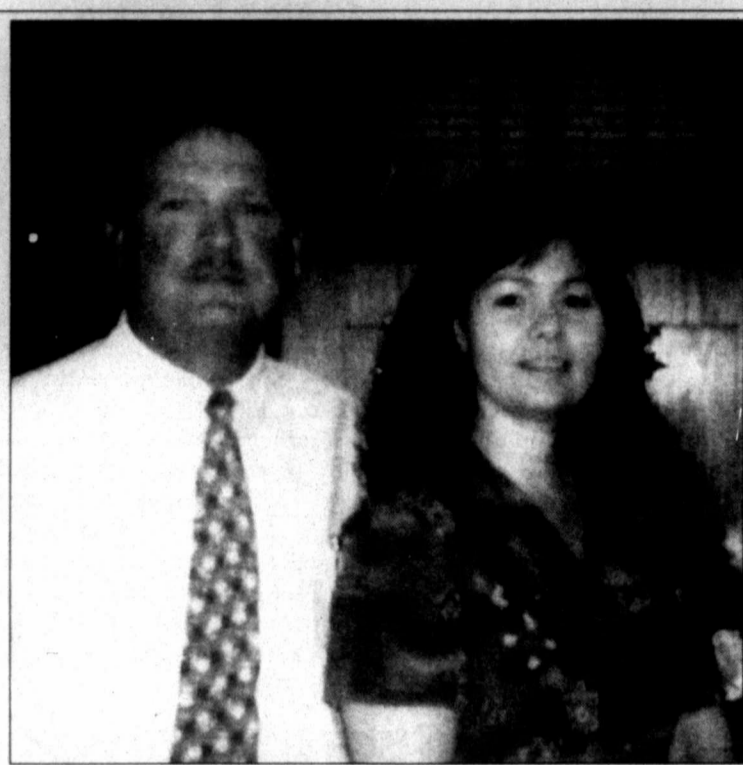
Jimmie was born on May 14, 1937 to Ernest and Sina Sorrells. He attended school in Westbrook, Grandfalls, Iraan and Colorado City. He graduated from Colorado High School in May 1955, and attended Abilene Christian University. Jimmie farmed in the Dunn community from 1953 to 2002, retiring due to health problems.

Norma was born to Aubrey and Bertie Jones in Paris, Texas on October 12, 1937. She moved with her family to Snyder in 1952. She attended Snyder High School, and graduated from Western Texas College School of Vocational Nursing in November 1978. Norma worked as an LVN for Mitchell County Hospital for 25 years, retiring in 2003.

Jimmie and Norma have four sons and daughters-in-law, Ricky and DeVelva Sorrells, Stephen Sorrells, Todd and Sheila Sorrells, and Gary and Jennie Sorrells, all of Snyder; seven grandchildren, Jonathan and Jennifer Sorrells of Baytown, Nathan and Brandy Sorrells of Hermleigh, Duncan Sorrells, Christopher Sorrells, Joshua Sorrells, Brett Sorrells and Zane Sorrells, all of Snyder; three great-grandchildren, Dylan and Cayden Sorrells of Hermleigh and Kalie Sorrells of McKinney.



Jimmie and Norma Sorrells ... in 1956



**NEW LIFE MINISTRIES** would like to announce the arrival of their new pastor, J.K. Wood (left) and his wife, Yvonne. J.K. will preach on Sunday mornings and teach a class on Wednesday nights. He is also employed at Loraine ISD as a secondary English teacher and coach. Yvonne is currently a student at Tarleton State University. J.K. and Yvonne reside in Loraine where they have lived for the past 10 months.

## LCC State Park near capacity over Memorial Day weekend

By Tommy Wells  
Colorado City Record

Lake Colorado City was bustling and bustling over the weekend, according to Park Superintendent Tracy Ferguson as visitors from throughout the state poured in to take advantage of the three-day Memorial Day weekend.

"Together with our daily visitors, we had a little over 12,000 people in the park over the weekend," said Ferguson. We almost filled the park up."

The number of visitors this year extends a three-year trend in growth of activity at the park.

This season's Memorial Day numbers was almost twice as many as was reported a year ago.

"Over the past three years we've seen a steady increase in the number of visitors," he said.

Ferguson said the increase may be a result of a higher water level at Lake Colorado City over the past few years.

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4. Pick up a form at Calvary on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> - there will be a pre-registration table in the gym until 6:00 p.m.

*Treasure Cove* Registration will be held on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, between 5:30 and 6:00 pm in the Calvary Baptist gym. For those not able to be there Monday, registration will be held from 5:45 to 6:00 pm the rest of the week.

For questions or more information, contact the Calvary Baptist Church office at 728-2262 or Brenda Hammond at 728-3669.



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# SCHOOL NEWS



**STUDENTS FROM LORAINE** enjoyed a trip to Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico on May 5. Members of the school's third and seventh grade classes earned the trip for the positive behavior over the previous nine months.

## Loraine students enjoy Carlsbad field trip

Both third and seventh graders in Loraine enjoyed a field trip to Carlsbad Caverns on May 5. The trip was a reward for excellent behavior over the previous 9 months through the campus Positive Behavior Support Initiative.

To earn the reward, each class competed for class points in the form of Bulldog Bones. Bones were awarded for exemplary examples of being safe, being respectful, being responsible and demonstrating a positive virtue. Points were tallied throughout the year. Third grade had the most points for the elementary grades and seventh grade earned

the most points for the secondary grades.

Bonnie Walker, chairperson of the TBSI committee said, "The class bones project has been hugely successful. Students have been much more conscientious about their behavior and have helped keep each other on track instead of teachers constantly having to remind them."

Third grade student Bailee Young admitted that she was surprised her class won. "We worked really hard to get our bones," she said. "We thought Pre-K and Kindergarten would be included in our competition and they seemed

to get bones for everything. Mrs. Stoddard made us be practically perfect before we got anything. We were really excited to find out that we won. It was a cool trip."

In addition to the general public tour, the seventh grade took a guided tour of the King's Palace


area inside the caverns. Seventh grader Alicia Hernandez said that was the best part of the trip for her. "It was awesome," she said. "There was one formation called the everlasting kiss that everybody really liked."

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## Lucas graduates from UT

Heather Danielle Lucas, a 2002 graduate of Loraine High School, graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelors degree in Applied Learning and Development.

The 2006 spring commencement exercises were held on May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> with 8,000 students earning their degrees from the university.

Heather has accepted a teaching position in Leander as a third-grade teacher, and has moved there. She will begin her new job in August when school begins.

Heather is the daughter of Rick and Gloria Lucas of Loraine.



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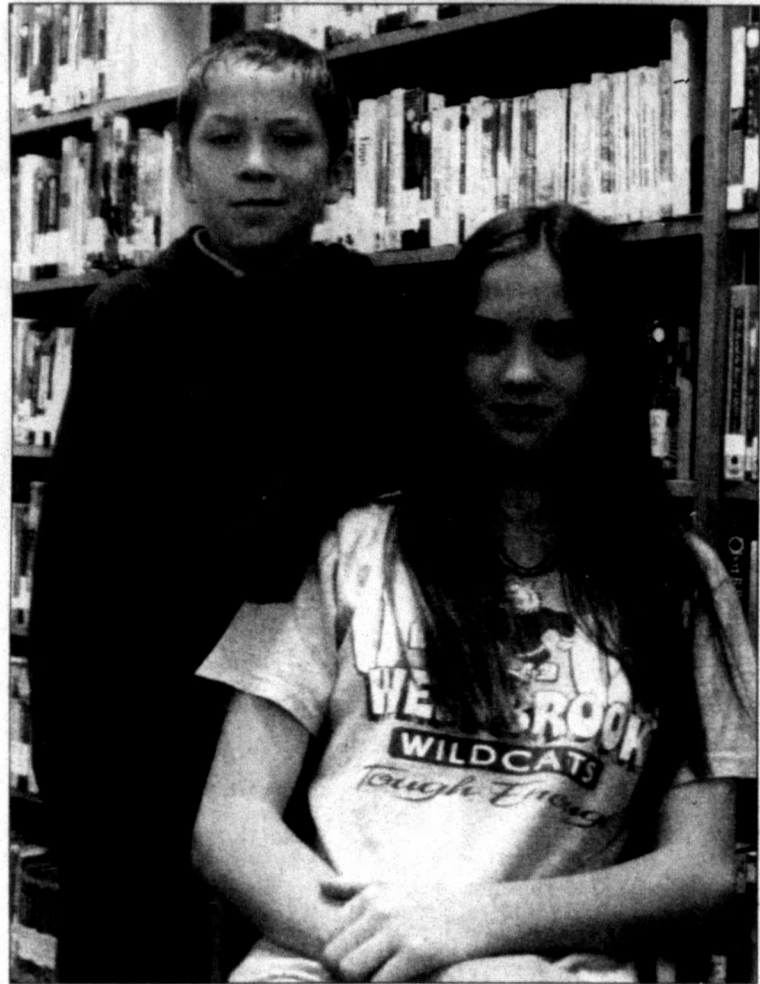
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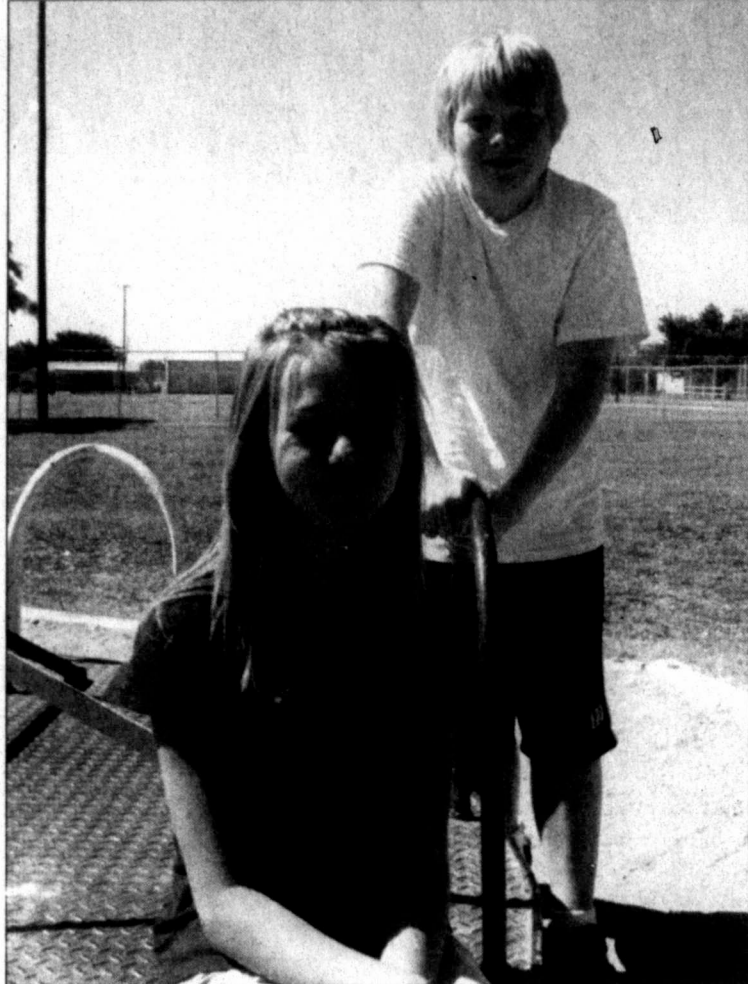
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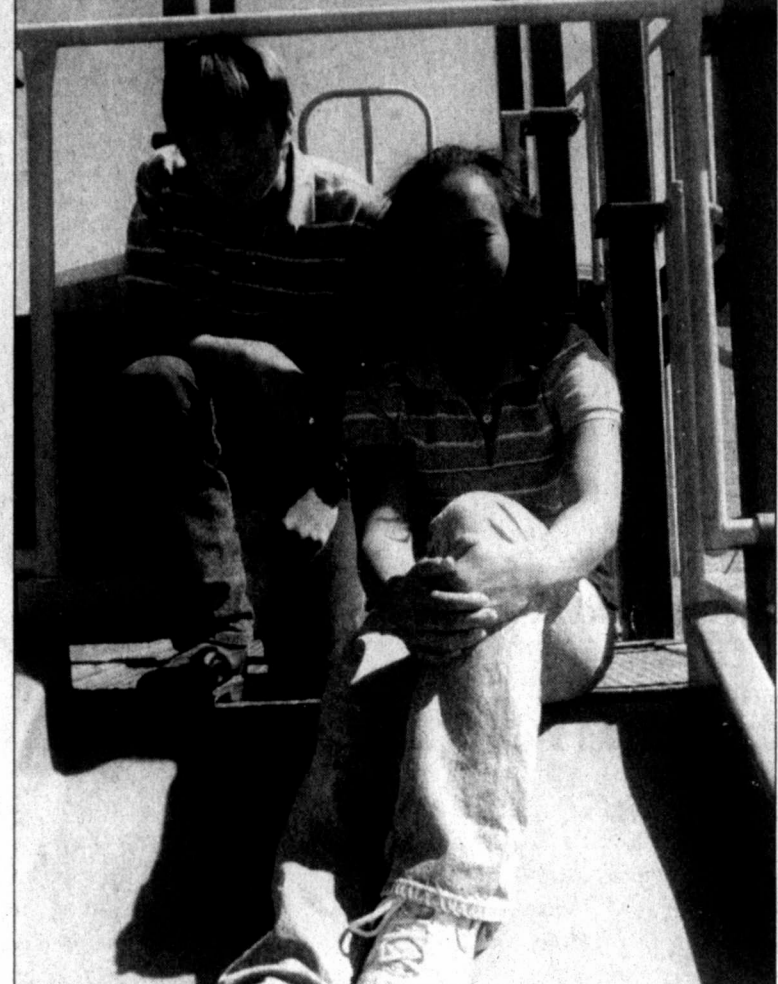
## Westbrook Junior High Class Favorites



6th Grade Class Favorites  
Casey Holdrige (Bass) and Klancie Whitesides



7th Grade Class Favorites  
Kelci Jowers and Justin Morton



8th Grade Class Favorites  
Kelley Bradbury and Milina Funderburg

### CHS perfect attendance listed for semester, last 6 weeks

Colorado High School has released their perfect attendance lists for the year, second semester and last six-weeks of the school year.

#### Year-long Perfect Attendance

Ninth grade: Ryan Gainey, Nathan McCright and Ashton Raschke.

Tenth grade: Catherine Dolan, Carina Flores, Ryan Graham, Zulema Ramirez and Nathan Slater.

#### Second Semester Perfect Attendance

Ninth grade: Ryan Gainey, Rosendo Gonzales, Nathan McCright, Lauren Munoz and Ashton Raschke.

Tenth grade: Catherine Dolan, Carina Flores, Zulema Ramirez, Nathan Slater, Brien Toombs and Shelbi Turner.

#### Twelfth grade: Jodi Owens and Roland Rivera.

#### Six-Weeks Perfect Attendance

Ninth grade: Candace Aguilar, Briana Archuleta, Felicia Realano, Quentin Ausbie, Brittany Beck, David Colin, Isavel Durte, Lance Espinoza, Corey Owens, Ryan Gainey, Manuel Garza, Rosendo Gonzales, Cheyenne Guelker, Randon Hawthorn, Samantha Herrera, Morgan Maddox, Nathan McCright, Matthew Miller, Lauren Munoz, Corey Owens, Daniel Perez, Ashton Raschke, Hopie Salinas, Sam Shrode, Chris Vondra, Clint White and Samuel Williamson.

Tenth grade: Robert Arispe, Ri-

cardo Atkinson, Toni Diaz, Catherine Dolan, Carina Flores, Xavier Garcia, Nick Garrett, Joann Levrette, Letesha McDuffie, Jonathan Miles, Orlando Moreno, Jordan Powell, Zulema Ramirez, Nikki Rankin, Shelbi Turner, Christa Valdivia, Isabel Ventura, Zachary Garza, Ryan Graham, Tiffany Gutierrez, Nathan Hawkins, Lucas Salazar, Nathan

Slater, James Smith, Sarah Smith and Brien Toombs.

Eleventh grade: Veronica Beltra, Pavel Brantley, Marcus Flores, Kyle Fox, Bradley Gandy, Roxanne Hernandez, K'Leigh Jackson, Kirby Matlock, Angela Matos, Kelly Morris, Kateshia Russell, Brittany McKinney and Jerrod Ward.

Twelfth grade: Adrian Arellano,

Felicia Arredondo, Logan Boyd, Brittany Farquhar, Ernest Garcia, Eric Harbour, Latoya Jackson, Dara Kelly, James Marsh, David Martinez, Jodi Owens, Courtney Pharis, Henry Reyna, Roland Rivera, Nathan Smith, Julianne Thompson, Megan Tolle and Virginia Tovar.

### CHS honor rolls released

All A and A-B Honor Roll lists have been release at Colorado High School for the last six-weeks of the school year.

#### A Honor Roll

Freshmen: Amber Campos, Morgan Maddox, Lauren Munoz, Matthew Sowa and Clint White.

Sophomores: J.D. Clay, Catherine Dolan and Sarah Smith.

Juniors: Alex Lewis and Kelly Morris.

Seniors: Daniell Arispe, Gina Arispe, Felicia Arredondo, Timmy Atkins, Logan Boyd, Mallory Espinoza, Sagan Everett, Mario Flores, Felicia Forbes, Brik McGuffin, Jodi Owens, Tiffany Owens, Anissa Pineda, Henry Reyna, Roland Rivera, Edgar Roman, Tony Salazar, Krista Stubblefield, Megan Tolle, Virginia Tovar, Jose Valenzuela, Sara Warren and Brandi Wemken.

#### A-B Honor Roll

Freshmen: Emily Atkinson, Ryan Gainey, Manuel Garza,

Cheyenne Guelker, Tamara Lelke, Kari Matlock, Nathan McCright, Daniel Perez, Hopie Salinas, Sam Shrode, and Samuel Williamson.

Sophomores: Marina Arispe, Kate Dannheim, Ricky Davila, Kolby Free, Tia Huff, Lindsey Kelly, Valerie Martinez, Zulema Matos, Robert McGuire, Stuart Ponko, Erick Roman, Brittany McKinney, Kassondra Shoals, Ashlea Sowa, Zane Whitesides and Chase Wylie.

Juniors: Michelle Arispe, Lee Beddingfield, Veronica Beltran, Pavel Brantley, Tanner Cox, Roxanne Hernandez, K'Leigh Jackson, Kirby Matlock, Angela Matos, Robert McGuire, Stuart Ponko, Erick Roman, Brittany McKinney, Kassondra Shoals, Ashlea Sowa, Zane Whitesides and Chase Wylie.

Seniors: Adrian Arellano, Frankie Arguijo, Eugene Ausbie, Cody Avalos, Kim Bell, Michael Chambers, Mallory Fain,

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# SPORTS

## Road to national finals begins Saturday in Bryson

**By Tommy Wells**  
*Colorado City Record*

The "Colorado City Countdown" officially gets under way for many six-man schools throughout the state and country this weekend when the first of four national qualifying tournaments are held for the 2006 6-on-6 National Passing Championships.

Teams from throughout north and western Texas are scheduled to compete this Saturday in the Bryson qualifying tournament.

The top three teams from the tournament will advance to the national championship tournament, which is slated for July 21-22 at Wolf Stadium.

"We're excited about getting it started," said event coordinator John Armstrong. "We have some really strong teams coming to Bryson to compete. It should be a great tournament, and an opportunity for some of the teams to work on their timing and fitness."

Among the teams scheduled to

### 2006 Six-Man Illustrated 6-on-6 Championships National Qualifiers

June 3..... Bryson  
June 10..... Meadow  
June 17..... Valley  
June 24..... Seguin

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compete in the double-elimination event are the Gustine Tigers. The Tigers return the bulk of their

squad that placed fourth at the national tournament a year ago.

Also slated to compete are the Benjamin Mustangs and the Aspermont Hornets. Both teams are expected to make runs at the state playoffs this coming season.

West Texas will be represented by Westbrook. At least seven WHS players will be competing in the tournament, including freshman Eli Farrell, junior Trevor Groat and freshman Tommy Wells Jr.

Two of the state's top superpow-

ers will also be on hand at the event. The Strawn Greyhounds, the 2003 six-man national champion, and the Rule Bobcats will both be fielding teams this weekend.

Rule is expected to challenge Throckmorton, Richland Springs and Trinidad for the state's Division I six-man championship this season.

The Bryson Cowboys and Chillicothe Eagles are also slated to participate.

## Sports Briefs

### Junior League teams open 2006 season

The Colorado City Rangers of the Junior League kicked off their season on Tuesday, May 30 against the Jim Ned Braves. The team is managed by Doug Miller. Chris Sanchez and Henry Reyna serve as coaches.

The league consists of two teams from Colorado City as well as two teams from Jim Ned and a team from Hawley.

Members of the team are Eli Farrell, Manuel Garza, Issac Yanez, Justin Conley, Rosendo Gonzales, Wesley Goswick, Jacob Sanchez, Mitch Cornutt, Nick Reyna, Lance Espinoza, Carlton Johnston, Timothy Miller, and Ronald Aoyama.

The other Colorado City team is the Phillies, and they are coached by Jim White. He is being assisted by Clay White and Bruce Rich.

Members of the team are Clint White, Keegan Douglas, J.C. Johnson, A.J. Hill, Ricky Davila, Ryan Gainey, R.T. Shafer, Quint Shafer, Alec Goodney, Nick Hart, Colton Rich, Tommy Wells Jr., Brian Brantley, Justin Morton, and Todd Womack.

Their first game was Tuesday night at Jim Ned.

### Wolf Creek to host ABCD scramble

The Wolf Creek Golf Course is hosting the very popular ABCD 9-hole Scramble and Skins game every Thursday. Participants must have their names on the list by 5:30 p.m. for the 6 p.m. starting time.

For more information contact call Abel Alvarez at the golf course at 728-5574.

### TAAF summer track program set to run

Colorado High School track coach Dan Gainey has announced the annual Wolfpack Summer Track program dates.

Signups for the camp will be held Thursday, June 1, at Wolf Stadium from 10 a.m. to noon.

This camp is for boys and girls between the ages of 5-18 who are interested in improving their track and field skills. Practices will be held each Monday and Thursday morning from 10 a.m. through noon at Wolf Stadium.

Cost of the camp will be \$25 per athlete.

Included in the cost of the program are TAAF affiliate yearly membership dues and a state registration fee.

For more information about the camp contact Dan or Catherine Gainey at 242-2138 or at 728-3103.

## Ollison leads McM to fourth Former CHS star is named All-American

**By Carl Graham**  
*Colorado City Record*

Former Colorado High School Wolf Hann Ollison topped off his freshman year of track at McMurry University in Abilene last weekend by leading the Indians to a fourth-place finish at the NCAA Division III outdoor track meet that was held in Lisle, Illinois.

In doing so, he was named to the Division III All-American track team.

Ollison helped the sprint relay team to a second-place finish in the event with a time of 40.40 seconds. Ollison ran the anchor leg on the team.

He also ran a leg on the mile relay team which placed third with a time of 3:12.63.

But it was his second-place finish in the 200-meter dash in a time of 21.32 seconds that came up huge in McMurry's finish in the meet. Ollison's runner-up finish helped propel the Tribe to the school's best-ever finish.

"It was a really fun day because we knew we had a chance of getting a trophy," said McMurry head track coach Barbara Crousen. "Hann's second-place finish in the 200 was big. It made a huge difference in our meet and the way we finished."

Both the sprint relay and the mile relay teams set new McMurry records, besting the school's previous marks that were set in 1985.

## Chavez picks HSU for next step

**By Carl Graham**  
*Colorado City Record*

The wait is officially over for former Westbrook High School tennis phenom Trey Chavez. He heart finally told him where his college career is headed.

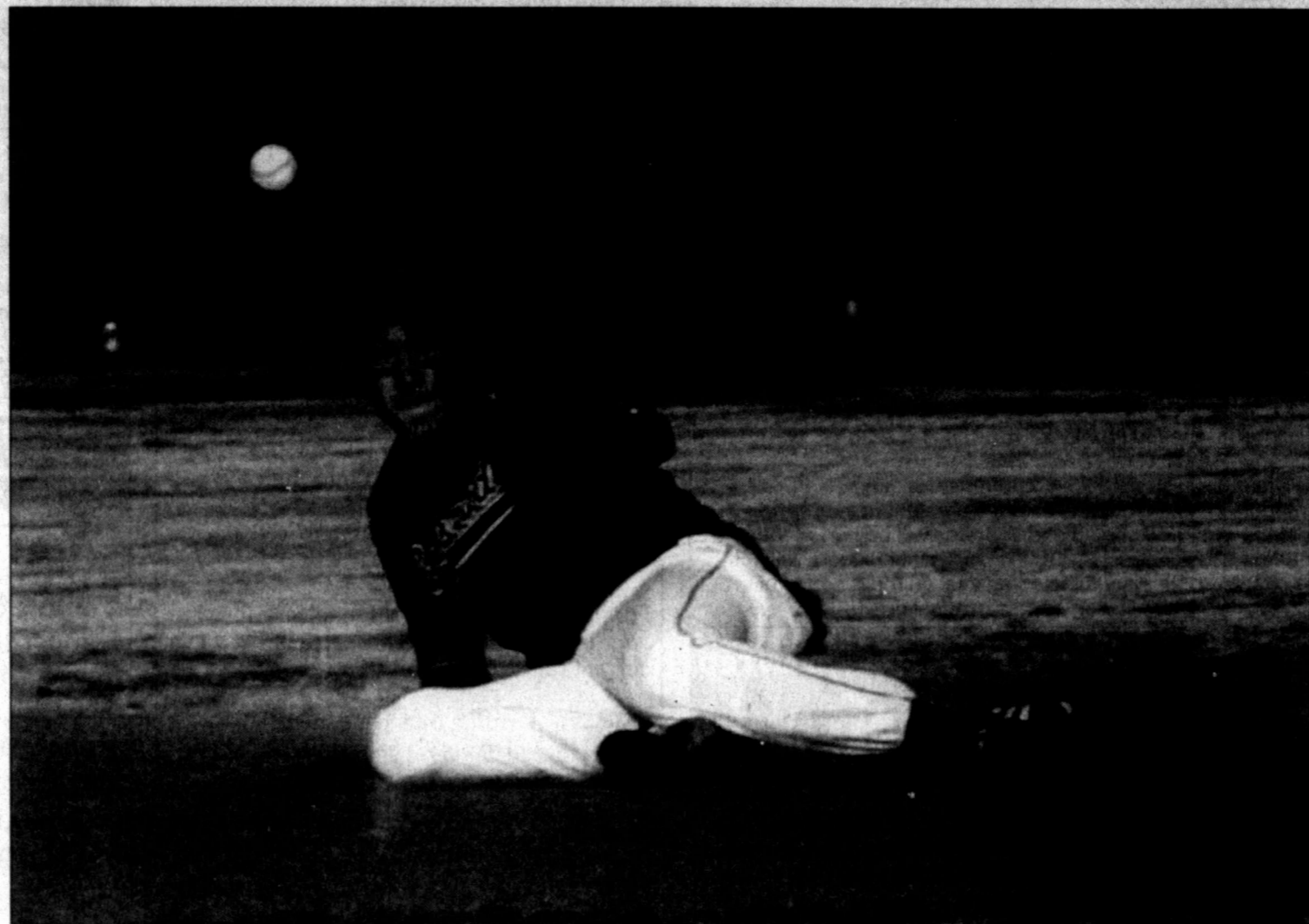
To Abilene. Chavez announced last week that he planned to play tennis at Hardin-Simmons University next season. A two-time state runner-up in tennis, Chavez said his familiarity with the coaches and players, and the ability to be close enough to see his sister, Linsey, play next year were the main factors in his choice.

Linsey has placed second at the UIL state tennis tournament in each of her first two years.

Chavez was also heavily recruited by St. Mary's University.



Han Ollison



**COLORADO CITY FIRST BASEMAN** Henry Reyna attempts to make a sliding catch during a district baseball game earlier this season. Reyna was one of 10 Colorado High School players selected to the all-district baseball team last week.

## Wolves land 10 players on 4-2A all-district baseball squad

**By Carl Graham**  
*Colorado City Record*

When the 4-2A All-District baseball list came out last week you would have thought that the Colorado High School Wolves had won the district championship rather than struggling to get into the playoffs as the third-place team. Ten players, four of which were named first-team, dot this year's all-district list.

In addition to the four first-teamers, Colorado High School also gained four second-teamers and two honorable mention picks.

Two of the first-team members -- senior shortstop Chris Martinez and first baseman Henry Reyna -- were not only unanimous selections, but also have offers to play baseball at Western Texas College in Snyder next season.

The other unanimous selection went to senior pitcher Tanner Borcik.

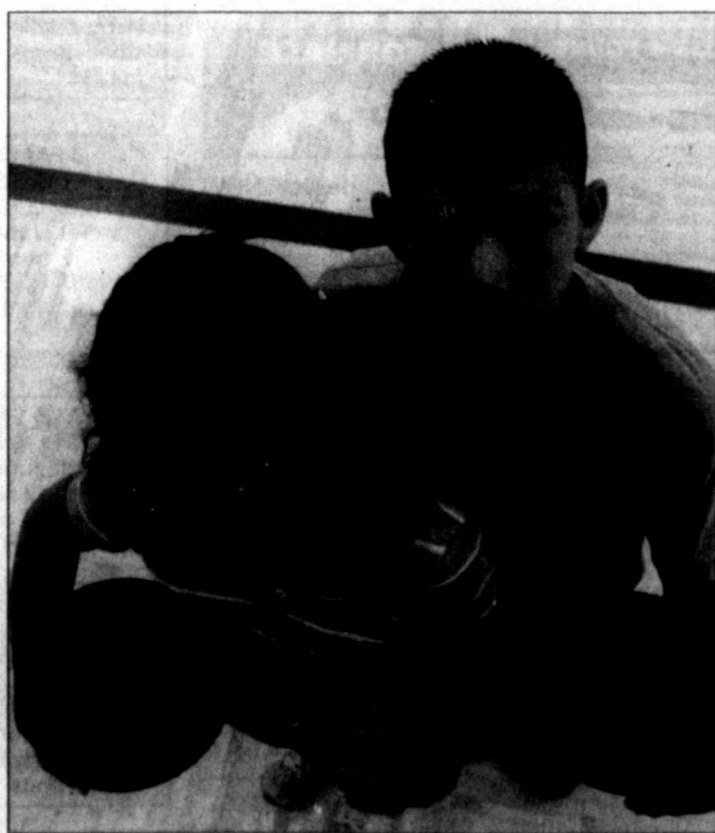
Martinez has been selected along with Borcik, second-team pitcher Michael Luera, and second-team third baseman Brik McGuffin, to play in an all-star baseball game which will be played at Lubbock Christian

University on Saturday, June 4. They will be playing for the North All-Star team.

Other second-team selections from Colorado High School were freshman catcher Rosendo Gonzales and senior outfielder Nolan Frizzell.

Senior outfielders Timmy Atkins and Frankie Arguijo were named to the honorable mention all-district.

The Wolves, who were plagued with injuries and suspensions throughout the season, finished the season with a record of 13-9 with a district mark of 5-3.



**WESTBROOK JUNIOR HIGH** named its "Most Athletic" students recently. Crowned as the school's top female athlete was Milinia Funderburg. Vince Gaona was named the junior high's top male athlete.

## Here's hoping you stopped to thank vets for their efforts

This past weekend was Memorial Day weekend, and we hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable weekend.

I also hope that you took time while you were cooking outside or doing whatever you did while celebrating the three-day weekend to pause and remember the thousands of veterans who served their country, some paying the ultimate price for our freedom.

I served my country proudly for more than 24 years in the United States Air Force, serving up pies, cakes, donuts, SOS, etc. as a cook/baker.

Now what did that have to do with sports? Absolutely nothing! It was just something I had on my feeble mind, and wanted to get off my chest.

All three Mitchell County schools are out for the summer, and we hope you have a great break from the classroom scene. Just remember prospective football players, another eight or nine weeks and you will be getting back on the football field for

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CARL GRAHAM  
SPORTS EDITOR



two-a-days.

There are lots of fund-raisers going on for Paige Newby, who will be doing plenty of traveling this summer to various track meets throwing the discus. Help support her as she represents the city of Colorado City and the state of Texas.

Of course once again we will have autographed photos of Bob Lilly and Don Maynard that will be going to a lucky winner in a drawing. Tickets will be available at the Colorado Record and at the Mitchell County Tax Appraisal office. Tickets will once again be \$1 each or six for \$5.

Folks, have a great week, and remember, be a great sport in everything you do.

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## BID NOTICES

**BID NOTICE**  
**REQUEST FOR BIDS** - The City of Colorado City is seeking sealed bids for a care of the Colorado City Cemetery which is located at SH 208 and Business 20 and the Cumberland Presbyterian Cemetery which is located on Lots 7 & 8 in Block 6 in the Dunn Snyder and Moar Addition. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by contacting the office of the City Secretary at the Colorado City Hall. Sealed bids shall clearly be marked as "Cemetery bid" and shall be hand delivered to the City Hall at 180 West 3<sup>rd</sup>, Colorado City Texas 79512 or mailed to P.O. Box 912, Colorado City, Texas 79512. All sealed bids shall be received at the City Hall by 12:00 Noon on June 9th, 2006. Bids will then be opened at 1:30 P.M. on June 9th, 2006 at the office of the City Secretary. Bids shall be reviewed by the City's Financial Officer. Bids received after the due date will not be considered. Bids will then be considered by the City Council at their next regular meeting which is scheduled for 6:00 P.M. on June 13th, 2006 at the Civic Center which is located at 157 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Colorado City, Texas. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any bid in accordance with the provisions of section 252.043 (a) (b) & (c) of the Local Government Code which allow the City to take the lowest bid or the best value bid which ever the City deems most beneficial for the City.

## BID NOTICES

be opened on June 27, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$203,914.00. Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. -  
NPO: 20217  
State Office  
Constr/Maint Division  
200 E. Riverside Dr.  
Austin, Texas 78704  
Phone: 512-416-2540  
Dist/Div Office(s)  
Abilene District  
District Engineer  
4250 N. Clack  
Abilene, Texas 79604-0150  
Phone: 325-676-6800  
Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

## BID NOTICE

**REQUEST FOR BIDS** - The City of Colorado City and the Heart of West Texas Museum are seeking sealed bids for labor cost to scrape the inside and outside of the museum's caboose; clean the inside and outside of the caboose and prepare for painting, prime the inside and the outside of the caboose with one coat of primer; and then paint the inside and outside of the caboose with two coats of paint. The Heart of West Texas Museum will provide the paint and primer only. All Labor, materials and other supplies shall be provided by the contractor. The caboose is located on the property of the Heart of West Texas Museum, 340 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Colorado City, Texas. Sealed bids may be hand delivered to the City Hall at 180 West 3<sup>rd</sup>, Colorado City Texas 79512 or mailed to P.O. Box 912, Colorado City, Texas 79512. All sealed bids shall be received at the City Hall by 12:00 Noon on June 9th, 2006. Bids will then be opened at 1:30 P.M. on June 9th, 2006 at the office of the City Secretary. Bids received after the due date will not be considered. For additional information, please contact Shirley Scott at the Heart of West Texas Museum at 728-8285. Bids will then be considered by the City Council at their next regular meeting which is scheduled for 6:00 P.M. on June 13th, 2006 at the Civic Center which is located at 157 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Colorado City, Texas. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any bid in accordance with the provisions of section 252.043 (a) (b) & (c) of the Local Government Code which allows the City to take the lowest bid or the best value bid which ever the City deems most beneficial.

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**Lawn service:** Mowing, edging, weedeating, etc. Free estimates. Call 728-9429 or 325-207-3328.  
**Mowing, edging, weed eating, etc. FREE ESTIMATES.** Call 728-9429, after 6 p.m. Call 207-3328.  
**Bullard's Backyard Basics:** Mowing, yards & lots, yard waste & junk hauled off, minor tree trimming. Call Rick Bullard, 728-8242, 242-0747.  
**Mowing, weedeating, spring cleaning, junk hauling, etc.** Dependable & honest. Call John at 728-5466.

## HELP WANTED

**TUBING TESTER WANTED**  
Pulling unit experience required. Must have driver's license. Will assist in getting CDL. Drug and alcohol testing. Apply at Midwestern Vacuum Truck Co., 1146 North College Ave., Snyder, TX. (325)573-6385.  
Westbrook ISD is currently accepting applications for a full-time certified aide. Applicant must hold an accredited certificate. Applications may be picked up from and submitted to Westbrook ISD, P.O. Box 99, Westbrook, Texas 79565. Westbrook ISD has the right to accept or reject any and/or all applications received. EOE  
Help wanted: Tire service person needed. Apply at Matlock's, 801 E. I-20.

## BID NOTICE

**REQUEST FOR BIDS** - The City of Colorado City is seeking sealed bids for the lease-purchase of a new or used track-type bulldozer for use at the City Landfill. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by contacting the office of the City Secretary at the Colorado City Hall. Sealed bids shall clearly be marked as "Bulldozer Bid" and shall be hand delivered to the City Hall at 180 West 3<sup>rd</sup>, Colorado City Texas 79512 or mailed to P.O. Box 912, Colorado City, Texas 79512. All sealed bids shall be received at the City Hall by 12:00 Noon on June 9th, 2006. Bids will then be opened at 1:30 P.M. on June 9th, 2006 at the office of the City Secretary. Bids shall be reviewed by the City's Financial Officer. Bids received after the due date will not be considered. Bids will then be considered by the City Council at their next regular meeting which is scheduled for 6:00 P.M. on June 13th, 2006 at the Civic Center which is located at 157 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Colorado City, Texas. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any bid in accordance with the provisions of section 252.043 (a) (b) & (c) of the Local Government Code which allow the City to take the lowest bid or the best value bid which ever the City deems most beneficial for the City.

## HELP WANTED

Make up to \$3,000.00 in 11 days. Looking for enthusiastic adult to manage a fireworks stand outside Colorado City June 24 thru July 4. No investment required. Phone 10am thru 5pm for more information. 210-622-3788 or 1-800-364-0136.

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Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.  
**CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)**  
Dist/Div: Abilene  
Contract 6147-92-001 for "ON DEMAND" METAL BEAM GUARD in FISHER County will

## HELP WANTED

### WELLSITE CONSULTANT

Local Oil & Gas Corporation has an immediate opening for a contract **Wellsite Completions Consultant** in Westbrook, Texas. The qualified candidate will have a good working knowledge of the following:

- Cased-hole wireline operations (Logging, Perforating, etc)
- Stimulation (Acid and Frac)
- Cementing (Remedial and Squeeze)
- Downhole Tools (Packers, Plugs, Retainers, etc)
- Downhole Equipment (Tubing, Rods, TAC, Rod Pumps, etc)
- Surface Equipment (Pulling Units, Reverse Equipment, Well Control, etc)

Contractor must provide their own transportation, cell phone, Certificate of Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance, be accessible by e-mail and successfully pass a drug screening. Previous wellsite supervision a plus.

For immediate consideration, please forward your resume with references, client list and a current rate schedule to:

Drilling Superintendent  
Fax: (432) 688-3140

## HELP WANTED

Help wanted: Drillers & rough necks with experience needed for Big Spring drilling company. Must be able to pass drug test. Call 432-238-3832.  
Need oil & gas completion supervisor w/some production foreman experience for a well established Big Spring oil company. Benefits available. Most of the work is located in Scurry, Borden and Howard Counties. If interested, send resume to P.O. Box 1870, Big Spring, TX 79721.  
Browne Bros. Inc., a manufacturer of quality farm implements and industrial products, is currently seeking individuals that have experience as welders, CNC torch operators, general laborers. Please apply in person to 900W. I-20 Business, Colorado City. Salary is commensurate with experience.  
Full-time cook, needed at Sportsman's Club. Apply in person at C.C. Quality Meats, 102 Oak St. or Sportsman's Club, 3310 LCR 252.

## CARD OF THANKS

*Card of Thanks*  
The family of Billy G. Carter expresses our appreciation to each of you for every act of kindness shown us during our loss. Your love has made our loss a little easier.  
*The Billy Carter family*

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BRAND NAME new queen pillowtop mattress set w/ warranty. Can deliver. \$175. 806-549-3110.  
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CHERRY SLEIGH bed solid wood. Brand new, factory boxed. List \$750, sell fast \$275. 806-549-3110.  
1957 Slate pool table, \$1200. 1949 Coke machine, \$575. 728-2582.  
Metal Detectors by Whites Electronics. New and used. 728-2494

## FOR SALE

For sale: Kirby Ultimate vacuum cleaner, almost new. See at Good Ole' Days Antique Mall. Call 728-8877.

## VEHICLES

LET US SELL FOR YOU! Consignments welcome, commission paid only if item sells! Tractors, equipment, autos, trailers, etc. MATLOCK I-20 C-City 728-3430  
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June 6, 2006 7:00 p.m.  
Camper shell 86"x60", TVs, computers, freezers, furniture, micros, tack, lamps, pictures, glassware, tools, flower arrangement, vintage hats, lavatories, granite-ware, carts, lots of misc.  
**Little Valley Auction**  
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432-264-0822  
[web.littlevalleyauction.net](http://web.littlevalleyauction.net)  
Auctioneers: Eddie & Margaret Barber  
TAL# 15209 & 15207

## GARAGE SALES

**GIGANTIC INSIDE MOVING SALE**  
1.3 mi. north of Skeer's  
Sat., June 3rd  
8-2  
Nice items! Don't miss it! Watch for signs!  
**GARAGE SALE**  
1127 E. 18th  
Sat., June 3  
8-3  
Moved and getting rid of lots of neat stuff! Mattresses, plus size clothing, etc.

## GARAGE SALE

944 E. 8th  
Fri. 1-7  
Sat. 8-7  
Clothes of all sizes, baby toys and clothes, misc. items.  
**GARAGE SALE**  
976 Marshall  
Saturday  
8-2  
Clothes, linens, cook-ware, pictures, hard-ware, lots of stuff!!!

## HUGE SALE

649 S. Hwy. 163  
Fri. 1-5 pm  
Sat. 8-5  
TVs, bicycles, fishing equipment, RCA TV, baby cradle, tons of small items - some for 25c  
**HUGE GARAGE SALE**  
1 mile north of prison on Hwy. 3525, follow signs. Lawnmower, gas motor & lots of misc. Sat., June 3rd 8am to 2 pm

## 3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE

1282 LCR 248  
Sat., June 3  
7-noon  
Everything you need or just want. Come see.

## YARD SALE

912 E. 10th St.  
Sat., June 3  
7:30-12 noon  
All kinds of stuff. Come and look around.

## GARAGE SALE

2942 CR 139  
Saturday  
8-noon  
Deep freeze, desk, odds & ends.

## YARD SALE

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Thurs., June 1  
8-12  
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**SOLO**  
840 E. 11th - Beautiful brick 3-2, fireplace, fenced on corner lot, 3 lots total, \$229,900.  
**SOLO**  
927 E. 14th - Beautiful brick 3-2, lg. kitchen, circular drive, 2-car garage, fenced yard, RV parking, covered patio, \$62,000.  
1069 Hwy. 163 - Large 3-2, 2-car garage, 3 wells, pens, on 12 acres, \$105,000.  
640 11th St. - 2 story, 3-1 1/2, 2 living areas, fireplace, large corner lot. Reduced! \$58,000.  
**SOLO**  
1026 12th St. - Beautiful brick, large utility room, 1-1, metal fence, \$23,000.  
**SOLO**  
920 Marshall - 2-1 1/2 living areas, could be 3rd bd, formal dining, vinyl siding, fenced yard, \$29,900.  
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**RESIDENTIAL**  
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215 ac. in Valley View area, Lone Wolf Creek goes across land, 4 pastures w/abundant water, CR 412, \$650/ac.  
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**LORAIN**  
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2bd, 1 bath, 312 Lightfoot, \$8,500.

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**RESIDENTIAL**  
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Two-story very large house, 3 bd, 1 1/2 bath, fireplace, 640 E. 11th St., \$58,000.  
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432-270-5570/432-264-8166

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### CARPET CLEANING

# LORAINE NEWS

By Bessie Ann Vaughn,  
Loraine Correspondent

Billie June Rodgers is visiting in Corpus Christi this week. While there, she will attend a graduation ceremony for a granddaughter, visit two daughters and other grandchildren.

Bro. Melvin Smith, his wife and family will be visiting the First Baptist Church in Loraine this next week.

On Saturday night at 6 p.m., a light meal of assorted sandwiches and sweets will be served. Brother Smith will preach the morning church service and a pot luck dinner will follow the service.

Church members are hoping for a large attendance and visitors are welcome.

A funeral mass for Margarito Rodriguez Jr. was held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Loraine Friday morning. He passed away last week.

Margarito graduated high school in Loraine in 1983. He was active in various school activities and sports. He was 42 years old and is survived by two daughters and one son and his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Margarito Rodriguez Sr.

A dinner for family and friends was held in the church fellowship hall. We want to send our condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Rodriguez.

Lupe and Connie Rodriguez had relatives visiting in their home Friday. Lupe and Connie plan to attend the graduation ceremony of their granddaughter, Gloria Rodriguez. Our congratulations to her.

On Sat., June 3, the family of J.M. and Ovada Templeton will

have a reunion at the Loraine Senior Citizens' Hall. Those expected are: Mary Rose and Charles Bowen, Barbara and Jake Gonzales, Brenda and Doug Kinning, Marshall and Wesley Bewley, Buddy, Jon and Andrea Bowen, Brad and Debbie Bowen, Dixie and Jimmy Smith, Randall, Colleen, Cheyenne, Cole, Coder and Ovva Lee Smith, Susan Smith, Stephen and Angela Smith, Dub and Virginia Martin, Brigham, Aimee Martin, Kathryn and Brandon Jobe, Sarah and Rachel Smith, Wilson and Teya Grace Martin.

This clan will be at the Center from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Numerous places of interest in and around Loraine will be visited by some folks in attendance. Stephen Smith, who lives in Colorado, put this event together.

The Loraine Community would like to thank the Wallace inmates who did some work at different places in and around town. We are very appreciative for their good work.

We send condolences to the family and friends of Kenneth Kendall. Kenneth passed away Friday at his residence after a long illness.

He served as Loraine school principal for a short while, also did some coaching. He was the Loraine ISD Superintendent for several years.

His funeral service was held Tuesday morning at the First United Methodist Church. Kenneth is survived by his wife, Shirley, children and grandchildren.

Doris Henderson and Christene Britton went to Abilene last week to make a doctor's appointment

for a check up after Christene's knee replacement surgery. She received a good report.

Christene's daughter, Carla Azton of Abilene, visited with her mom and Doris while at the hospital.

Descendants of Wesley Ruben and Argie Rebecca Hudgins Woods gathered at the Loraine Senior Center on Sat., May 27<sup>th</sup>, for their annual last-Saturday-in-Ma reunion. Although the reunion is primarily known as the Woods Reunion, the connections to the Carpenters and Moores have given cause for some to refer to this gathering as the Woods-Carpenter-Moore Reunion.

After a delicious catered Mexican food lunch, the families enjoyed a "craft" drawing which is used each year to raise funds to pay the expenses associated with the reunion. No one would ever accuse the drawing of being rigged, but a certain Wesley Woods sure did win a lot of the prizes. The drawing was followed by a picture-taking session.

Representing Vera Woods and Murray Carpenter were their daughter, Mildred Lee of Loraine and all four of her children, Sandy Dickard and husband, Hall of Colorado City, Jeannette McGowan of Midland, Mike Lee of Big Spring and Debbie Lee of Marble Falls. Mildred also had several of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren in attendance.

Claude and Faye Carpenter Woods were represented by their son, Wesley Woods of Loraine and his daughter, Shirley McPeters. Also representing the Claud Woods Family were Jerry Woods' daughters, Leah Woods and Becky Beights. Several of

Jerry's grandchildren and Becky's friend, Bobby, completed the group. Jerry is recovering from recent treatment for cancer and did not feel well enough to join the family. He was missed by all.

All three of Ruth Woods and Marlin Moore's children were able to attend the reunion: Margie and husband, Billy Pinkerton of Turkey, Wanda and husband, Ray Bynum of Junction, Stanley and wife, Janet Moore of Loraine. Ruth also had numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren to join her in her family picture.

Argie Hudgins Woods was represented by Pat Hudgins and Becky Hudgins, both of Colorado City.

Several guests from the Carpenter and Moore families joined in the celebration.

Family members and guests traveled to Mitchell County from the Fort Worth area, Spring, Midland, Big Spring, San Angelo, Marble Falls, Lubbock, Junction, Turkey, Coahoma and Hobbs, New Mexico.

J.D. Brown with In Motion Ministries and Tanner Holt of Carlsbad, New Mexico, spoke at Sunday morning service at Loraine First United Methodist Church.

The church is co-sponsoring Tanner's trip with a group of about 12 others to Costa Rico, leaving June 17. They will help with the building of a church as well as spreading the gospel through music, drama and teaching and ministering to people deep in the jungles as well as main streets of other cities.

Tanner is son of Jill Linam Holt and grandson of Sue Linam and Tommy Linam.

All women are invited to a salad dinner at Loraine Methodist Church June 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at the fellowship hall. Come and bring a friend with you for good fellowship and a short devotional.

Please bring your favorite salad. It will be over at 7:30 p.m.

Joan Long went to Midland to attend the high school graduation of her granddaughter, Megan Merket. She graduated with honors and in the top 10% of 900 students.

Ryan Merket is out of school now in Lamesa and he will be spending this coming week with his grandmother, Joan Long.

Aubrey Wilson, Don Johnson, Warren Badger, Benny Benetiz and Durwood McAdams provided special music Monday at the center.

Visitors last week were: Novella Benetiz, Sue Badger, Wayne Childs of Brownwood Lake.

Vida Mae McDaniel played piano for attendants Wednesday at the center.

## Lawn care tips for drought survival

By John Senter,  
Mitchell CEA-Ag

Record high temperatures, as we close the book on May, have some folks thinking that maybe we could be in for - dare we use the "D" word. If we are in an "extended dry spell", let's review some of the most common mistakes we make in improper care of our lawns. Watering and fertility are two of the most important secrets for home lawns to survive extended dry spells. Hopefully, the following tips will help put your lawn on track to get past a "dry spell".



John Senter

Most of us tend to overlook mowing as a basic tool in lawn care. It is very common to use the "when I get time" rule for mowing. This approach, while the easiest to enact, often tends to add stress on lawns. Suggested mowing heights for the two most common types of grass in Mitchell County may help: San Augustine should be mowed at a height of no more than three inches while Bermuda type grasses are better kept from one to two inches high.

By targeting grass to be kept at recommended heights, we encourage a more dense, deeply rooted lawn, thus enabling plants to utilize moisture stored deeper in the soil profile. The old rule of thumb still holds true: never remove more than one-third of the leaf area at any one time. This will prevent stress on your lawn. Take time to adjust your mower and follow this rule.

Watering is perhaps the main ingredient when it comes to building a quality, hardy lawn. Most of us have the ability to apply water, but do we really know how we are watering? Knowing the drought tolerance of a particular type of grass can help us understand the water needs of a lawn.

St. Augustine grass has only fair drought tolerance while Bermuda is classified as a turfgrass with good tolerance. This does not mean infrequent, shallow watering will sustain Bermuda through a dry spell. Proper watering is crucial to any lawn.

To properly time lawn irrigation, you must first identify an area in your lawn that is the first to show signs of water stress and irrigate your entire lawn when this problem area first shows signs of needing a drink. The most common signs of stress are: grass leaves show a dull, bluish color; leaf blades begin to curl and roll and footprints persist in the grass for an extended time.

Proper application of water can be best accomplished by using the following approach to calculate just how much water you are applying. Set out five or six open top cans randomly in the sprinkler pattern. Tuna cans have short sides and work well. Turn on your sprinkler for 30 minutes, and at the end of time, measure the depth of the water in each can. Add the amount of water in each can together to calculate a total among the cans. Then divide that total by the number of cans to determine an average for all five cans. This will then tell you exactly how much water your system applies in 30 minutes. This figure is useful because you can then calculate exactly how long it will take you particular irrigation system to apply one inch of water.

Next, use a spade or other type of probe and push into the soil. The probe will easily pass through

we soil but will become difficult when you reach dry dirt. This tells you how deep your earlier determined average applied will wet your lawn. Finally, you will know how much water you apply in an hour and how deep the soil profile is wet. Your ultimate goal is to wet the soil to a depth of six inches at every watering. You will also know how long to allow sprinklers to operate to apply the required amount of water.

Proper timing and application not only adds stamina to your lawn, it encourages deep root growth and also importantly, will make sure that you are using only the amount of water your lawn requires. Never irrigate your lawn to the point of runoff. Waster water will not benefit your lawn, it will only show up in your utility bill, not in the improvement and appearance of your grass.

If this brief overview brings about questions, more detailed fact sheets entitled "Water Management for the Home Lawn" and "Lawn Watering" are available in our office. Or as always, feel free to call us in the Extension Office at 728-3111.

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