

CHS presentation of *Harvey* continues this weekend.

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Answerline

Q. How much money did the county pay in the employees' retirement fund in 1996 and is that tax money?

A. In 1996, Mitchell County paid \$86,180.44, which matched the employees' contributions to their retirement funds. The funds are a budgeted item and are tax dollars.

Briefly

Wolf Booster Club

The Wolf Booster Club will continue to meet at Collum's every Thursday at 12 noon.

5th grade musical

The 5th grade will have a musical program "Elves' Impersonator" December 16 at 2:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.; December 17 at 2:30 p.m. All performances will be in the Hutchinson cafeteria.

Hutchinson PTO

The Hutchinson PTO will meet in the school cafeteria on Monday, December 15 at 5:30 p.m. All parents are encouraged to attend.

Hutchinson Clown Circus

Hutchinson Elementary will have a Clown Circus Friday, December 12 in the gym. All students will dress up like clowns and participate at the following times. Fourth grade-8:30 a.m.; Fifth grade-10:15 a.m.; Third grade-1 p.m.

Bake Sale

Mt. Zion Baptist Church will have a bake sale at Fuller Foods Saturday, December 13 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Christmas Concert

The CHS band and choir Christmas Concert will be on Dec. 18 beginning at 7:00 p.m. A turkey dinner will be served from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Tickets will go on sale Dec. 1st. Adults: \$5.00; seniors and children under 12 are \$3.50.

Post Office hours

The Post Office will be open on the following Saturdays for Christmas mailing. Dec. 6, Dec. 13, and Dec. 20. Our windows will be open these days from 10 to 12 each morning to help you with your holiday mailings. Happy holidays from the Colorado city Postal Service.

Christmas Program

Primera Bautista El Calvario will have their annual Christmas program Saturday, December 13, at 7 p.m. at 17th & Oak Street in Colorado City.

Lillie Miles medical fund

A medical fund has been set up at the First National Bank for Lillie Miles to defray medical expenses.

Deaths

Bearden, Cherry, Thompson, Moore, Williams

Around Town

Happy Birthday **TORI BARRERA** (Dec. 11)...Has anyone seen **JAY COX's** pants?...Ask **MARY JO SELF** about her excuses...Happy Birthday **AMIE HAMMOND** (Dec. 12)...Happy Birthday **SHEILA REDWINE** (Dec. 13)...Happy Birthday **LEIZA RIVERA** (Dec. 15)...If you call **JOAN MERKET** and a man answers, hang up!...

Lake Levels

Lake Colorado City...2,061.69
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Down 8.61'
Lake Champion...2,064.09'
Full at 2,083'
Down 18.91'
Levels courtesy of the United States Geological Service, as of 9 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9.



ALYSSA (left) and KIRK LEVERTON take an opportunity to tell Santa what they would like for Christmas. Santa was in Colorado City this weekend for Winter Wonderland and the Christmas Parade.

Incumbents officially file for re-election

It's campaign time again and six incumbents have officially announced their intentions to seek office since the filing period opened Wednesday, Dec. 3.

Eight local offices will be up for grabs this time. Of the incumbents, only two had not filed by Tuesday—District Clerk Sharon Hammond and Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1, Glenda Haltom.

Local offices up for election and the current incumbents are:

- County Judge, held by Ray Mayo.
- Commissioner, Pct. 2, held by Carl Guelker.
- Commissioner, Pct. 4, held by Bill Preston.
- County Clerk, held by Debbie Carlock.
- District Clerk, held by Sharon Hammond.
- County Treasurer, held by Ann Hallmark.
- Peace Justice, Pct. 1, held by Glenda Haltom.
- Peace Justice, Pct. 2 & 3, held by Kay Richmond.

Filing runs through Jan. 2. Anyone interested in filing should contact the county chairman. Frank Brownfield is the Republican Party chairman; Woody Anderson is the Democratic chairman.

The Primary Election is March 10. The final day to register to vote in the primary is Feb. 9. Early voting will be held from Feb. 23 through March 6.

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U.S. SENATOR KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON spoke to citizens of Mitchell County Tuesday at the Civic Center while touring the area. Hutchison spoke to approximately 75 people on various issues in Washington and answered questions.

Hutchison visits C-City

Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison drew applause from a Mitchell County audience Tuesday when she said she wants to totally eliminate the inheritance tax.

With Congress out of session, U.S. Senator Hutchison toured the area Tuesday, attending community meetings in Roby, Sterling City and Bronte as well as Colorado City.

Around 75 people were on hand for the reception at the Civic Center. Hutchison greeted people, spoke briefly about issues in Washington and then answered questions from the audience.

"When we talk about tax cuts, we're talking about giving hard working people in America more of the money they earn," said Hutchison.

In the future, besides wanting to eliminate the inheritance tax she said she is also eliminating the marriage tax that penalizes people who are married.

"In the long run, we'll have to change the tax code completely," she said.

Questions and comments from the audience included one about passage of a bill to pay teaching hospitals not to turn out more doctors. The bill was

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Toy drive helps local children

Over a hundred children in Mitchell County will have a brighter Christmas this year due to the local Toy Drive.

The Tumbleweed Lioness Club sponsors the Toy Drive, contributing many hours to organizing the drive so no child in Mitchell County has an empty stocking Christmas morning.

Everyone can be Santa's helper. New and GOOD used

toys are collected at drop-off boxes throughout the city. The deadline is December 20.

After the 20th, Lionesses divide the toys according to ages up to 12 and make up bags of toys for children whose names are supplied by the Community Mission and other organizations.

Cash donations are also welcomed.

See TOYS, page 6

Work on site of ALCO store is now underway

Work is underway at the site of the future location of the ALCO discount store at 2000 Hickory Street.

The land was being cleared this week and a Duckwall-ALCO superintendent has re-located to Colorado City to be on site during the construction project.

The 22,300 square foot store is expected to open in May.

"Next week we'll be filling and grading," said Rod

Glessner, manager of construction.

The Abilene, KS-based chain operates most of its 127 ALCO discount stores and 58 Duckwall's variety stores in small towns with populations of under 16,000.

The strategy has worked well, according to an article in the May 1997 issue of "Discount Merchandizer".

See ALCO, page 6

Crimestoppers is offering reward in Bruce incident

Mitchell County Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information on the 1995 shooting of a Colorado City youth.

The shooting of CISD student Brad Bruce on CR 171 in Mitchell County occurred March 21, 1995.

Crime Stoppers is seeking information on the person or persons involved or information on the weapon used in the shooting and is offering the \$1,000 cash reward for information leading to the arrest and indictment of the person or persons connected with the crime.

Callers will not be asked to give their names and will remain anonymous. Anyone who has information, please call 728-TIPS.

No action is taken on athletic director issue

The Colorado ISD took no action regarding the hiring of a new athletic director and head football coach Monday night.

Following a two hour executive session, Board President Larry Blassingame said that although no action was taken, the board would first

consider hiring from within the school district. "We don't want to delay on this. We want to make this decision as soon as we can," stated Blassingame.

The new coach will replace popular Bill Grissom who is retiring at the end of the school year.

Registration cards mailed this week

Voter registration cards were mailed this week. Any registered voter that did not receive their new voter registration card needs to contact Faye Lee at the Mitchell County Tax Assessor-Collector's office.

The office staff will update

your voter registration card.

The Tax Assessor-Collector's office for Mitchell County is located at the intersection of Hickory Street and Business 20.

For more information, call Faye Lee, tax assessor-collector, at 728-2606.

Harvey run continues through this weekend

by Eunice Fisher, editor
The Colorado High School Drama Department's production of *Harvey* opened Friday night to a packed Opera House audience.

The two-weekend run of the delightful comedy began last Friday and Saturday and will continue this Friday, Dec. 12 and Saturday, Dec. 13. Curtain time is 8 p.m.

A few hours before Friday's opening, director Marsha Moore commented, "When the show finally comes together after months of rehearsal and we realize that we might be able to pull this off, it is unbelievably satisfying."

And pull it off they do! By Act III, the audience's laughter following line after hysterically funny line showed they were having a good time.

Many of the parents, family members, and others in the audience were already familiar with the play, remembering when it was performed here by the Colorado City Playhouse many years ago. Several members of that cast and crew filled a front row seat opening night—Tandy and Lovess Curlee, George Womack and Kent Womack, who played Elwood P. Dowd, the lead character.

Harvey was a very popular

1950s movie starring Jimmie Stewart. It was adapted from the Pulitzer prize winning play written by Mary Chase. Jimmie Stewart was nominated but failed to receive the best actor award for his portrayal of Elwood P. Dowd. However, Josephine Hull won a best supporting actress Oscar for her portrayal of Dowd's long suffering sister.

Elwood P. Dowd is a friendly likeable man who has a fondness for drinking and a best friend named Harvey, a six foot three inch invisible white rabbit.

Harvey is a pooka, which is described in the play as, "from old Celtic mythology, a faerie spirit in animal form, always

very large. The pooka appears here and there, now and then, to this one and that one. A benign but mischievous creature, very fond of rumpots, crockpots and ..."

Many of those who attended Friday night's opening have since commented about the good performances of all the CHS cast. Colder Redwine does a great job as Elwood P. Dowd, often reminding one of the late Jimmie Stewart.

Cade Carlock also turns in a memorable performance as Duane Wilson, the psychiatrist orderly who totally mistrusts Elwood P. Dowd and isn't as fond of him as the other

characters in the play seem to be. Veta Simmons' daughter, Myrtle Mae Simmons, is played by Windi Sullivan. She is frustrated in her attempt to meet eligible gentlemen and blames her lack of suitable callers on Ellwood and Harvey.

Ellwood tries, all through the play, to introduce Harvey to everyone he meets but the only one who eventually sees him is Dr. Chumley, the psychiatrist, played by Cody Hill. Dowd's sister Veta, however, sometimes acknowledges Harvey's existence when she's under extreme stress. Amy Evans plays Veta Louise Simmons.

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Lifestyles

Local couple announces wedding date of Dec. 13

Weldon McMillan and June Black Petty would like to announce their engagement. They will be married Saturday, December 13 at 5 pm at the First Baptist Church. There will be a reception following the wedding in the Fellowship Hall.

June Black Petty is the daughter of the late Bennie and Jessie Black of Spade

Community. She is a retired Speech Pathologist and teacher of Pre-School Deaf.

Mr. McMillan is a retired farmer, pumper, tool pusher and driller.

They are both active members of the First Baptist Church of Colorado City.

All friends and family are invited to attend the wedding and reception.

Bake-Off results announced

The annual Mitchell County Pecan Bake-Off was held in conjunction with the annual Mitchell County Pecan Show.

Six dishes were entered. Best of Show Youth Division went to Brittany Hill with a Texas Pecan Pie and Best of Show Adult Division went to Nadine

Pierson with a Decadent Fudge Nut Cake. R.J. Baumann Jr. received a red ribbon for his Crustless Pumpkin Pecan Pie. Other dishes entered were Tycoons, German Chocolate Pecan Pie and Kifli (Hungarian Cookies).

Calvary cantata set Sunday

You are invited to come and listen to Calvary Baptist Church's choir present their Christmas Cantata this coming Sunday morning. "City of Light," arranged by Tom Fettke, presents the Christmas story in a creative and unique

fashion. The choir has put in many hours rehearsing the cantata and is looking forward to this coming Sunday. Feel free to come be a part of this worshipful opportunity as the choir sings this Christmas special.

Bridal Registry

These brides have made selections at Corky's True Value and Western Auto.

Deanna Kitchens,
bride-elect of Jody Clark
Shower Dec. 13; Wedding Jan. 3

Kelly Jackson,
bride-elect of Shayne Anderson
Shower Dec. 7; Wedding Jan. 3

Amber Blair,
bride-elect of Casey Peaslee
Wedding Dec. 20

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COOK'S CORNER

Holiday sweets are a favorite this time of year. If you are having trouble deciding what to prepare for visiting family and friends this year, maybe these recipes will give you some help.

Peanut Patties

2 1/2 cups sugar
2/3 cup light corn syrup
1 cup evaporated milk
3 cups peanuts, raw
1/4 cup powdered sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 tablespoons butter
1 pinch salt
4 drops red food coloring
Combine sugar, corn syrup, milk, salt and food coloring. Bring to a boil. Add raw peanuts and cook until mixture forms a firm ball when small amount is dropped in cold water. Remove from heat. Add butter, powdered sugar and vanilla and beat with a spoon until mixture is thick and creamy. Drop mixture by tablespoonfull into greased muffin pans.
Per recipe: 3214 Calories; 42g Fat (11% calories from fat); 17g Protein; 723g Carbohydrate; 136mg Cholesterol; 902mg Sodium

Almond Angels

4 egg whites
1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 cups sugar
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup slivered almonds
Combine egg whites, cream of tartar and salt; beat until mixture holds soft peaks. Gradually beat in sugar, then flavorings; fold in almonds. Grease cookie sheets well. Line with unglazed brown paper and grease paper well. Drop mixture by teaspoonfuls onto greased paper. Bake at 250° for 50 minutes. Remove from cookie sheets immediately and cool on wire racks. Yields 3 1/2 to 4 dozen cookies.
Per recipe: 2084 Calories; 76g Fat (32% calories from fat); 44g Protein; 329g Carbohydrate; 0mg Cholesterol; 770mg Sodium

Million Dollar Fudge

4 1/4 cups sugar
6 tablespoons margarine
1 can evaporated milk
(14 1/2 ounces)
2 packages chocolate chips
1 jar marshmallow cream
1 pound nuts, chopped
Boil sugar, butter and milk together for about 7 minutes. After first bubble comes or until soft boil (235°) is reached. Put chocolate chips, marshmallow cream and nuts in a large bowl. Pour syrup over mixture and stir until chocolate is dissolved. Beat until cool and creamy. Drop on waxed paper or pour into greased pan. Cool, cut into pieces. Yields 5 pounds.
Per recipe: 9126 Calories; 436g Fat (41% calories from fat); 104g Protein; 1335g Carbohydrate; 42mg Cholesterol; 1135mg Sodium

Date Loaf

2 cups sugar
1/2 cup milk
1 cup dates, chopped
2 cups nuts, chopped
2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon vanilla
Boil sugar, milk and butter until it makes a soft ball in water, then add dates. Cook until soft, then add nuts and vanilla. Stir until stiff, pour on damp cloth and knead into a loaf.
Per recipe: 4019 Calories; 187g Fat (40% calories from fat); 55g Protein; 584g Carbohydrate; 78mg Cholesterol; 331mg Sodium

Ginger Bread

1/2 cup sugar
4 tablespoons butter
1/2 cup milk
1/2 cup molasses
1 egg
1 1/2 cups flour
1 teaspoon ginger
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon salt
Combine spices with flour. Mix ingredients in order given, adding flour mixture last. Pour into a 8x8 inch pan, sprayed with cooking spray. Bake at 375° for 25 minutes or until done.
Per recipe: 2058 Calories; 56g Fat (24% calories from fat); 29g Protein; 365g Carbohydrate; 320mg Cholesterol; 2967mg Sodium

Lions Club entertained by CHS stage band

The Stage Band debuted at the Noon Lions Club Friday at the Civic Center.

The jazz band, directed by Aaron Lewis, CHS band director, and Jack White, assistant director, consists of 14 Colorado High School students.

The band was formed last year, White said. Some of the selections played for Lions included "Ease On Down", "Selfish Shellfish", "Proud Mary" and "Silent Night".

Bridal Registry



Kelly Jackson,
bride-elect of
Shane Anderson

Deanna Kitchens,
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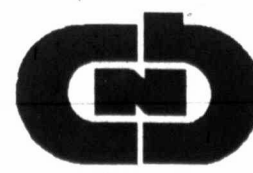


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Steve Steinhilber celebrates 90th birthday

Steve Steinhilber celebrated his 90th birthday given by his daughter, Sandra Housh, Arado City, December 6. Guests in friends from Loraine, Big Sand Spring, Graham, San California, Mexico.

West JOY enjoy

JOY Sunday members at Brook Baptist the Fellowship Christmas p 4, 1997. Wilma president, Ranne voi prayer.

Following meal, Bro... brought the Really Mak emphasized points: Chr possible; fr mas beauti Christmas f Christmas makes Chri Class m give gifts t Lona Dods Also lap sp been made for distribu Those at Jean M Moody, Marlena Gladys Ha Pauline B Bell.

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Lifestyles

THIS 'n THAT

By Sheila Plagens

When is the worst time to lock your keys in the car? When your husband is out of town, your other set is in your purse in the car and you have potatoes boiling on the stove. That's when!!

That is exactly what happened to Michelle Williams Monday afternoon when she went to pick up her daughter Bradee at gymnastics.

Thanks to the sheriff's department, she got her car unlocked. Michelle says thanks!

With the Christmas holidays just around the corner, it brings back special Christmas memories we've all had in the past.

If you have a special memory you would like to share with our readers, please jot it down and bring it by the Record office and

I will include it in this column. If you would like to mail it, our address is P.O. Box 92, Colorado City, 79512.

Ronnie Aston stopped by Sunday afternoon. He was in town for a funeral. Ronnie was the game warden here several years ago and now resides in Brady. He and his wife, Trisha, are the proud grandparents of their first grandchild, born to Melanie and her husband on December 3 in Dallas.

Hardy Berber was expecting Christmas a little early. After putting up the family Christmas tree the other day, he wouldn't go to sleep—he just knew Santa was coming that night. Mom and Dad finally convinced him to go to sleep. The next morning, he was still asleep when he rode with his mother to take his sister, Hannah, to school. Upon arriving back home, he walked through the door and burst into tears.

"Santa, didn't bring me one

single thing!" he exclaimed. His mother then explained to him that Santa would be coming, but a little later in the month.

Hardy is the son of Carlos and Karen Berber of Colorado City.

Congratulations to Mark Monroe, former Colorado City High School student. He will be graduating from McMurry University Saturday with a degree in Sociology.

Mark is the son of Barbara Monroe.

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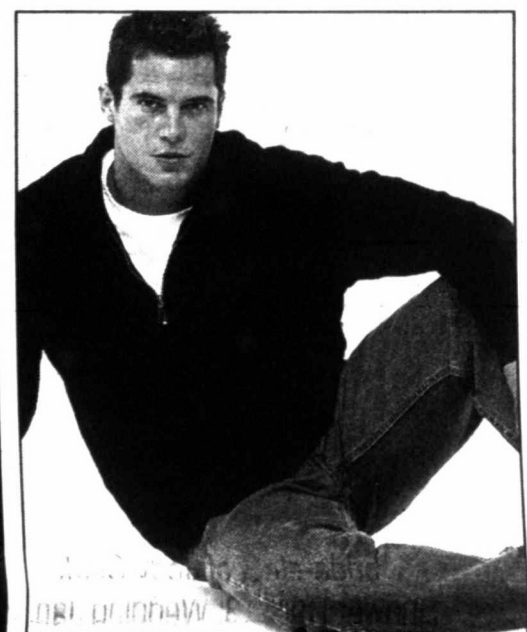
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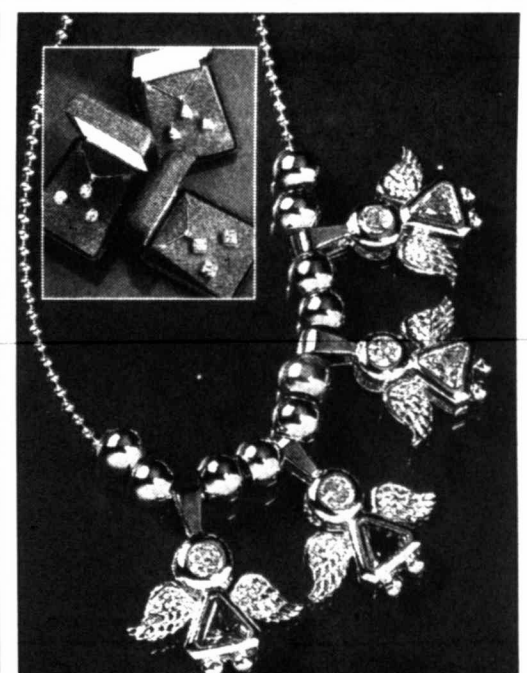
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Steve Stevenson

Stevenson celebrates 90th birthday

Steve Stevenson celebrated his 90th birthday at a reception given by his wife, Bee and daughter, Sandy Nunez at the Housing Authority in Colorado City on Saturday, December 6.

Guests included family and friends from Colorado City, Lorraine, Big Spring, Odessa, Sand Springs, San Angelo, Graham, San Antonio, Ventura, California and Roswell, New Mexico.

Westbrook JOY class enjoys party

JOY Sunday School Class members and guests of Westbrook Baptist Church met in the Fellowship Hall for their Christmas party on December 4, 1997.

Wilma Jean McKenney, president, presided. Frances Ranne voiced the opening prayer.

Following a Mexican pile on meal, Bro. Jim Mosley, pastor, brought the devotional "What Really Makes Christmas." He emphasized the following points: Christ makes Christmas possible; friends make Christmas beautiful; music makes Christmas festive; giving makes Christmas joyous, and love makes Christmas complete.

Class members decided to give gifts to shut-in members, Lona Dodson and Bessie Shaw. Also lap spreads and bags have been made by class members for distribution.

Those attending were Wilma Jean McKenney, Marcell Moody, Naomi Williamson, Marlena Rice, Judy Moore, Gladys Hayes, Irene Edwards, Pauline Brown and Blanche Bell.

Also present were Gerald and Nell Rollins, Hamp and Helen Baucum, Charles and Frances Ranne, W.D. and Clola Whitesides and Bro. Jim and Jimmie Sue Mosley. Nell Rollins is teacher of the class.

OBITUARIES

Alene Bearden 1924-1997

Mrs. Alene Bearden, age 73 of Colorado City, died Tuesday, December 2, 1997, at her residence.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 5, 1997, at the Kiker-Seale Chapel with the Rev. Ken Northcutt officiating. Burial followed in Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bearden was born March 18, 1924, in Sweetwater. She married Melvin Bearden on November 20, 1940, in Sweetwater. He preceded her in death in 1991. Mrs. Bearden was a homemaker and had lived in Colorado City for forty years.

Survivors include five daughters, Susie Wilkinson of Abilene, Valerie Redwine of Colorado City, Sharon Bearden of Colorado City, Rhonda Lelek of Snyder, Liz Rodriguez of Monahans; one son, David Bearden of Waggoner, OK; four sisters, Johnnie Lee Keuker of Shawnee Mission, KS, Bessie Helen Prescott of Colorado City, Carol Hutto of Phlogerville, Dorothy Forbes of Colorado City; two brothers, Don Forbes and Ferron Forbes both of Colorado City; 19 grandchildren; and 18 great grandchildren.

Nettie Cherry 1906-1997

Mrs. Nettie Cherry, 90, of Colorado City died Sunday, November 30, 1997, at a local nursing home.

Services for Mrs. Cherry were held Wednesday, December 3, 1997, at 2 p.m. at the Christian Temple Church with Brother V.W. (Matt) Matlock officiating and Brother David Lelek assisting. Burial followed at Dorn Cemetery. Directions were under Kiker-Seale Funeral Home. Serving as pallbearers were her grandsons: Gary Matlock, Bobby Matlock, Timothy Lelek, Jerry Lelek, Buddy Hubbard, and Chipper Hubbard.

Mrs. Cherry was born to John Wesley and Bertha Elizabeth Nelson Iglehart on December 8, 1906, in Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Mrs. Cherry moved to Colorado City in the early 1920's as a young girl. She married Marvin Cherry February 14, 1926, in Mitchell County, Texas. She was a member of the Christian Temple Church and a cook.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Marvin Cherry who died in 1966, her parents, five brothers, and three sisters.

Survivors include: four daughters, Mary Delois Lelek of Colorado City, Nellie Elizabeth Matlock of Loraine, Texas, Edith Louise Matlock and Bessie Marlene Hubbard both of Colorado City; one sister Annie Burrow of Austin, Texas; 18 grandchildren; 53 great grandchildren; 26 great great grandchildren.

Billy Ray (Bill) Thompson 1932-1997

Mr. Billy Ray (Bill) Thompson died Wednesday, December 3, 1997, in a San Angelo hospital at the age of 64.

Services for Mr. Thompson were held Saturday, December 6, 1997, at 10 a.m. at the Kiker Seale Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Jake Chaney and Dr. Ted Spear officiating. Burial followed at the Colorado City Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Thompson was born to Johnny Green and Ora Heath Thompson December 19, 1932, in Colorado City, Texas. Mr. Thompson was of the Baptist faith and had been a resident of Colorado City all his life. Mr. Thompson owned and operated Thompson's Body Shop in Colorado City. He married Sandra Kay (Watkins) Thompson February 7, 1959, in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Survivors include his wife of 38 years, Sandra Kay Thompson of Colorado City; daughters and son-in-laws, Paula & Joe Reed of Corsicana, TX, Johnnie Kay & David Whatley of Corsicana, TX; sons & daughter-in-laws, Ricky Thompson of Colorado City, Jimmy & Robin Thompson of Germany; one aunt, Loyce Brooks of Weatherford, TX; brothers and sister-in-laws, Calvin & Nelda Watkins of San Angelo, TX, Clayton & Debbie Watkins of Galveston, TX, Mrs. Carol Watkins of Abilene, TX; 7 grandchildren & numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces, and nephews.

Lloyd Thomas Moore 1927-1997

Mr. Lloyd Thomas Moore, 69, of Brady, formerly of Colorado City, died Friday in Brady, Texas.

Graveside services were at 2 pm Sunday at Colorado City Cemetery with the Rev. John Taylor officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Moore was born December 7, 1927, in Paris, Texas. He married Ruby Hulme on April 1, 1946, in Abilene. He had lived in Brady for four years, moving there from Colorado City. He was a carpenter and a World War II Veteran.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Jimmy Don Moore.

Survivors include his wife Ruby of Archer City; two daughters, Meradith Mooney of Archer City and Suzette Meador of Decatur; one son, Wayland Moore of Colorado City; two sisters, Helen Crockett of Bridgeport and Ann Smith of San Angelo; two brothers, Raymond Moore of Artesia, NM and Kenneth Moore of Monahans; parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Moore of Colorado City; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Helen Reeves Williams 1921-1997

Mrs. Helen Reeves Williams, age 76 of Indianapolis, IN, died Friday at an Indianapolis nursing home.

Graveside services will be at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, December 13, 1997, in the Colorado City Cemetery. Burial will follow under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Williams was born September 12, 1921, in Stones Crossing, IN. She was married to Rex Williams. Mrs. Williams worked for the Mutual Hospital Credit Bureau before retiring in 1985. She was a member of the First Church of Nazarene in Indianapolis and the Inter NOS Club.

Preceded in death by her first husband, John Reeves, Sr. and by one grandson, Jayson Jameson.

Survivors include her husband, Rex Williams of Indianapolis; two daughters, Donna Jameson of Early, Texas, Jennifer Reeves of Garland, Texas; one son, John Reeves, Jr. Cedar Hill, Texas; two step-children Dennis Williams and Judy Page of Indianapolis, IN; three sisters, Jean Dawson of Tucson, AR, Jane Maddrell of Greenwood, IN, Ann Draper of Clearwater, FL; one brother, Ted Rund of Franklin, IN; 10 grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

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SECURITY FINANCE MANAGER Moses Palacios makes an \$875 contribution to Colorado City D.A.R.E. Officer Charles Rice, Monday morning. Security Finance donates a part of each new loan back to the community. Also pictured are Police Chief Pat Taylor and Minnie Martinez.

Security Finance in Colorado City recently made an \$875 contribution to the local D.A.R.E. program, it was announced today.

The parent company's private charitable foundation, Security's Lending Hand Foundation, allows each of its offices to give something back to the local community, said Moses Palacios, Security Finance manager.

The amount of the contribution is based on the number of new customers who chose to do business with Security Finance during 1997.

"This means our customers are indirectly contributing to their community," said Palacios. "All the employees at Security Finance want to express our sincere gratitude to our customers who made this contribution."

Security Finance is one of Security Finance Corporation's over 600 consumer loan offices which operate in 13 states.

C-Court okays security system for county

Mitchell County Commissioners approved a security system for county offices during their regular meeting Monday morning.

The wireless system will allow an immediate call for help over the sheriff's office's radio frequency from any of the county offices. County offices outside the courthouse, such as the library and annex building, are expected to be within range to work from the main system. The tax office building on Second Street will have its own system power pack.

Steve Kirby, president of Secure Tech Systems, Inc. demonstrated the system to commissioners during the meeting.

"We're obligated to provide a safe working environment for employees and in this day and time you never know," said County Judge Ray Mayo.

In 1994, Texas passed a law to allow counties to set up a security fund, Kirby explained.

Since then, a number of counties in the state, including Midland, Parker, Wise, Cook, Hunt, Bell, Victoria, and Moore

have purchased the wireless systems.

Funds to pay for the \$13,000 system will come from money from fees and court cost, etc., set aside for security since Mitchell County established the fund in 1996, said Susan Buckalew, Mitchell County auditor. The fund can only be used for county security.

Tax Assessor-Collector Fay Lee said she could see a need for a security system.

"You know the old saying, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," said Lee.

Inmates begin work on new MCHH office

Wallace Unit inmates began work Monday on building a 16 x 40 foot extension to the present Home Health office on Walnut.

Mitchell County Hospital District's Home Health office moved out of the Lifestyle Building on Hickory Street last fall and into the old TU Electric building.

The office lost a considerable amount of work space with the move, said Sam Parham, MCHD maintenance supervisor.

With a total of 33 employees using the seven offices in the building, conditions have been cramped but the new addition will relieve the problem, he said.

"It's going to give them 25 percent more room," said Parham.

The extension will contain at least two large offices and a conference room where the board of directors will meet. It is being constructed on the north side of the building which was once a drive-through area for customers to pay their electric bills.

Construction, estimated to cost about \$15/square foot, is expected to be completed in six weeks.

"Weather and circumstances permitting," added Parham.

HARVEY

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Other cast members include Jessica Chaney as Miss Johnson, Jessica Nelson as Mrs. Ethel Chauvenet, Renea Lewis as Nurse Ruth Kelly, Chris Myers as Dr. Lyman Sanderson, Holly Gwyn as Betty Chumley, Andy Crockett as Judge Omar Gafney and Simon Moreno as the cab driver, E.J. Lofgren.

... included Jared Foster, Nick Shrode, Veronica Gonzales and Veronica Emerson.

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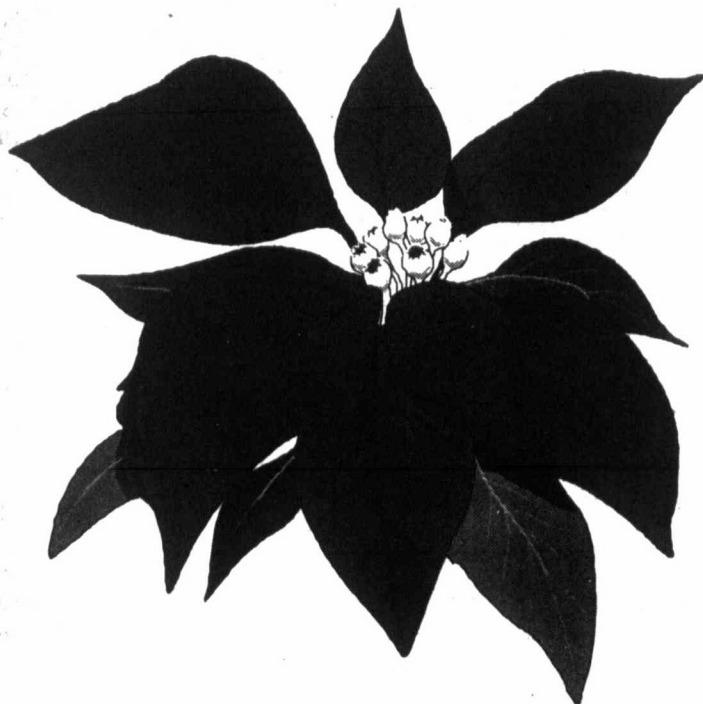
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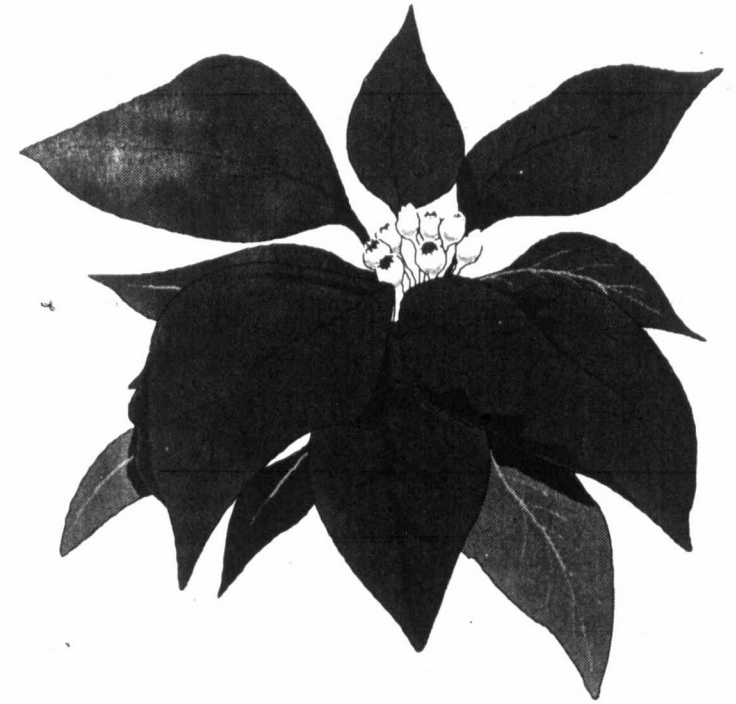
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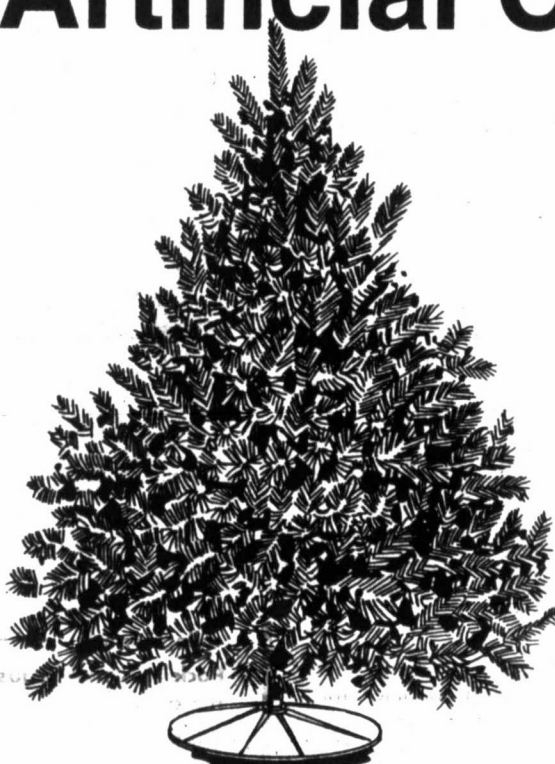
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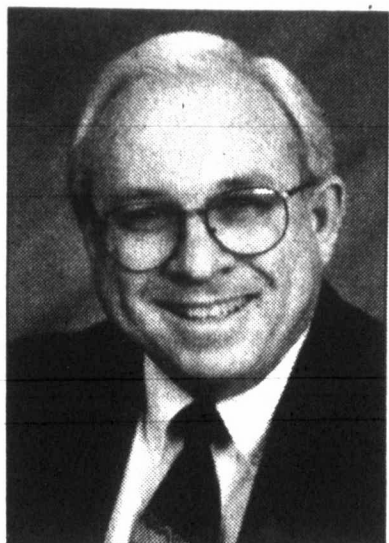
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Mayo announces candidacy



Ray Mayo

Ray Mayo has announced his intentions to seek election to a third term as Mitchell County Judge.

Mayo, 50, will be a candidate in the March 10 Democratic primary.

"I enjoy serving the citizens of Mitchell County as their county judge and I look forward to continued service," he said.

"When I first ran for office in 1990, I promised that I would be a full time, fair and impartial representative for the citizens of Mitchell County," he said. "I believe that the office of county

judge has been operated effectively, efficiently and fairly."

Mayo is a 1966 graduate of Colorado High School and attended Angelo State University. His wife is the former Janet McMullen, daughter of Moon and Louise McMullen of Colorado City. Mrs. Mayo is employed by the Region 14 Education Service Center as a Reading Recovery teacher leader. They have a son, Jeffrey, 21, and attend First Baptist Church.

Mayo is active in a number of civic organizations. He serves as secretary-treasurer of Mitchell County Crimestoppers. He is a member and former chairman of the American Cancer Society and is a member and former chairman of the local Salvation Army unit. He is chairman of the Fisher, Mitchell and Nolan Counties Juvenile Board and is a member of the board of West Central Texas Council of Governments. He also is a member of the Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce.

"It is an honor and privilege to serve the citizens of Mitchell County and I ask for their continued support," he said.

Hallmark seeks re-election



Ann Hallmark

Ann Hallmark has announced her candidacy for re-election as Mitchell County Treasurer in the Democratic primary.

Hallmark, who has 14 years experience as county treasurer, has lived in Mitchell County, for 25 years.

She is a graduate of Western Texas College in Snyder. Hallmark is a certified county

treasurer and has 240 hours of continuing education from the V.G. Young Institute of County Government at Texas A&M University. In addition, she has 20 years of bookkeeping, accounting and computer experience. She is a member of the County Treasurer's Association of Texas and served four years on the board of directors.

She serves on the legislative and constitution and by-laws committees and has served on the long range planning committee and the continuing education committee.

She is also a member and past president of the Permian Basin County Treasurer's Association. Hallmark also serves on the Regional Citizens Advisory Council of the West Central Texas Council of Governments, Area Agency on Aging.

"It is a privilege to serve as Mitchell County Treasurer and I appreciate the support and encouragement I have received in the past. I am looking forward to serving the citizens of Mitchell County for another four years," she said.

ALCO

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Sales and earnings for the company have been climbing for the past several years. Sales increased from \$211 million in fiscal 1992 to \$256 million in fiscal 1996, and annual net earnings rose from a loss of \$794,000 to a gain of \$5.1 million during that same period.

The 18,000 square feet of sales space planned for the Colorado City store is the same

size as the average ALCO store. Average annual sales in these discount stores run about \$2 million, while the variety store, which typically covers about 4,000 square feet, registers approximately \$300,000 a year, according to the trade magazine. From 1993 through 1995, gross margins at the company have ranged from 31.7 percent to 32.8 percent.

HUTCHISON

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intended to ease the problem of an abundance of doctors in cities, such as New York City.

Hutchison said she was totally against it and had tried to get an amendment passed.

"This is coming from Medicare funds. I think it's wrong," she said.

To a question from Mitchell County Hospital Administrator Rick Rickard on the future of Medicare funds, the senator said, "I don't think the government is going to walk away from Medicare but I'm concerned about actions taken by HCFA

rules that are not authorized."

HCFA, Health Care Financing Administration, is a federal government organization that controls Medicare funds.

On learning of the difficulties in reaching federal Medicare offices by fax or telephone to clarify policies, Senator Hutchison turned to a regional director accompanying her on the tour and told her to make a note of it.

"We'll contact the agency to see if we can straighten it out," she said.

TOYS

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"There are always some toys we have to buy, especially for the older children because we always get more toys for the smaller ones," said Shirley Grimes, Tumbleweed Lioness president.

A TDCJ crew, supervised by officer Willy Davila, is helping the project by remodeling donated bicycles, painting them, replacing handgrips, etc.

Local businesses are also helping the effort in a variety of ways. North Texas Cablecomm is currently offering free cable installation or upgrade with a toy donation to the Toy Drive. The offer expires Dec. 19.

A drawing will be held for a Teddy Bear Christmas wreath on

display at City Hall. Proceeds from the sale of the 50c tickets for the wreath will go to the Toy Drive.

Drop-off boxes for toys are located at Corky's True Value, Ramage Furniture and Appliance, McDonald's, Burger King, Dairy Queen, Pizza Hut, Sonic and City Hall.

Anyone who has toys they would like picked up can call Shirley Grimes at 728-2215, Pat Robinson at 728-2690 or Connie Simpson, 728-8610.

The Toy Drive deadline is December 20.

Parents who would like their children to receive toys may sign-up at the Community Mission.



NEW LORAIN POSTMASTER LINDA KUBALA of Roscoe was sworn in at a reception Tuesday afternoon by John Howard, manager of Postal Operations for the Fort Worth District.



WALLACE AND WARE UNIT EMPLOYEES donated a \$500 check to the community mission Tuesday morning. Pictured are back row (l-r) Lonie Pruitt, Kenneth Rogers and Rayford Gardner; front row (l-r) Jesse Aguilar, Kathy Vandee, mission director Shirley Stafford, Shelby Shipp, Sharon McWhorter and Denise Street.

Sewer backup pumps down in C-City

"Both backup pumps are down and if we lose one of the other two pumps we won't be able to move sewage to the treatment plant," City Manager Steve Shutt warned the Colorado City Council during Tuesday night's meeting.

Shutt explained that the city has four relatively new pumps at the sewer lift station, two of

which are backups, and the backups stopped working this week.

The four pumps are two years old and believed to be under warranty from the manufacturer.

However, Shutt said that an emergency purchase could be necessary if one of the two pumps that are still in operation should go out before one of the

backups is fixed.

"Right now we're riding on luck," said Shutt.

Possible costs discussed during the meeting ranged from \$12,000 to \$50,000.

The council unanimously approved giving Shutt the authority to "spend whatever is needed to get the pumps back in shape."

Republicans, Democrats to vote together

Republicans and Democrats will be voting in the same place during the Primaries, following action Monday by County Commissioners.

Frank Brownfield, Republican Party Chairman, and Woody Anderson, Democratic Party Chairman, attended the meeting to request commissioners to approve combining the polling locations

for the two parties and allowing the county clerk to conduct the primary.

They presented information on the trend towards combining the parties during the primaries to save money and make the process easier for voters.

While Republicans and Democrats can vote at the same place, the ballots will be different colors for the two parties.

Anderson said there is a possibility that combining the parties for the primaries will be mandated by the Texas Legislature in two years because of the cost savings.

INCUMBENTS

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Mitchell Countians will also be voting for representatives in state and national government. Other offices on the ballot include those of U.S. Representative, State Senator and State Representative.



Debby Carlock

Carlock to seek re-election

Debby Carlock announced this week her intentions to seek re-election to the office of Mitchell County Clerk.

Carlock will be a candidate in the March 10 Democratic primary.

"Before becoming county clerk in 1995, I worked in the county clerk's office as a deputy clerk for four years. This prepared me for the position and with the on-the-job training and continuing education I have received I have grown in knowledge and experience," said Carlock. "I have enjoyed serving Mitchell County as county clerk. I enjoy working with people and helping them when they have a need, whether it be filing of a deed, a copy of a birth, death or marriage license or just a call to ask where to vote."

She was born in Loraine and raised in Loraine and Colorado City. Her parents are Bob and Wanza Graham.

Carlock is a 1972 graduate of Colorado High School. As county clerk she has attended continuing education schools in Austin and A & M. Continuing education schools have included UT Law School, Election Law School and Bureau of Vital Statistics School, all held in Austin, as well as annual county clerk's continuing education seminars in College Station and area meetings for county clerks.

She is married to Tom Carlock and the couple has three children, Cory, 21; Cade, 16 and Mindy, 12.

She is an active member of First United Methodist Church where she serves as Sunday School teacher. She has held numerous offices in church organizations and has served on church boards and committees.

She has served as Girl Scout brownie troop leader for three years and Boy Scouts of America leader for six years.

"The county has invested a lot in me and I want to continue to give back to the county and be a part of such a wonderful county where people care for each other," said Carlock.

COLORADO CITY COUNCIL

Regular meeting of the Colorado City Council held at 7 p.m., Dec. 9.
ROLL CALL: Mayor Jim Baum, Mayor pro-tem Bob Reily, City Council members A. W. Rowe, Walt Staats, Faye Ross, Sammy Contreras. City Manager Steve Shutt. Absent: Gary Redwine

ACTION:

- Approval of 5 ft. variance for Hillcrest Community, allowing houses to be set back 20 feet from property line;
- approval to change council meeting time from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m. during daylight saving time;
- approval to extend contract of city manager one year from beginning after the next budget period;
- approval to allow city manager to make emergency purchase, if necessary, to keep sewer pumps operating.
- approval of routine business--minutes, financial statement, vouchers, property tax revenue report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- approximately 15 minutes, concerning city manager evaluations.

TABLED:

- action concerning car wash sludge, to be presented by Tom Carlock.

INFORMATION:

- mayor's report
- city manager's report
- council members' report

COMMISSIONER'S COURT SUMMARY

Mitchell County Commissioners' Court regular meeting held at 9 a.m. on Dec. 8.

ROLL CALL: County Judge Ray Mayo. Commissioners-Precinct 1, Ed Roach; Precinct 2, Carl Guelker; Precinct 3, Wendy Inman; Precinct 4, Bill Preston.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Approval of minutes, bills, and monthly reports;
- award bid for sheriff's car-one bid, Lone Wolf Autoplex, \$20,630 for 1998 Crown Victoria;
- approval of security system for courthouse;
- approval of request from JP Kay Richmond to fill part-time clerk's vacancy;
- approval of resolution combining Republican and Democratic primaries;
- approval of appointment to Library Board-Gwen Wistrand to replace Steve Manning who moved;

EXECUTIVE SESSION-tabled:

- deliberation about real property.

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DONATION: Raymond Westbrook, operations superintendent, presents Jan Lemons, Christmas In April co-ordinator, with a \$500 check from Mitchell Gas Service.

Mitchell Gas Services donates \$500 to CIA

Raymond Westbrook, representing Mitchell Gas Services, Inc., presented Mitchell County Christmas In April Coordinator Jan Lemons with a \$500 check Monday to be used for the organization's work in repairing homes belonging to the elderly and needy.

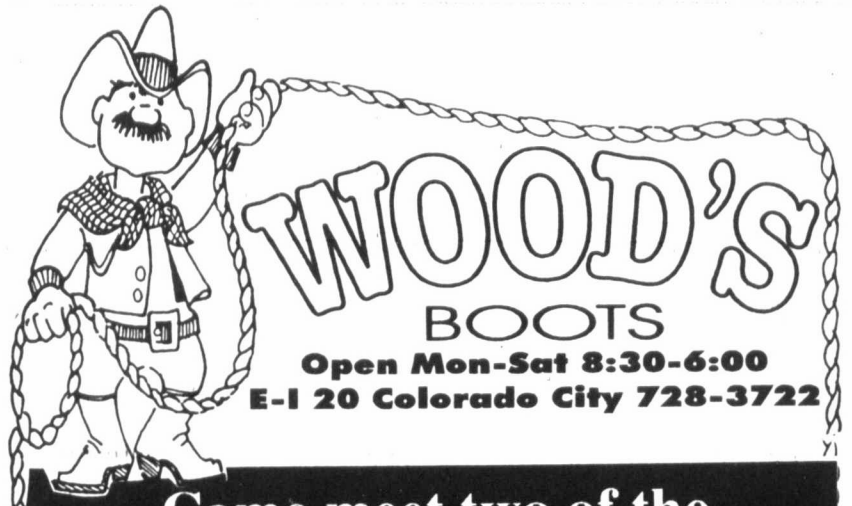
Westbrook said that the company's director of operations in the North Texas region, Steve A. Shotts in Mineral Wells, is a strong believer in helping local communities. So, Mitchell Gas Services employees, some of whom volunteer their time to the annual April CIA effort, said they'd like to support the program with a company donation.

"This is a big boost to us," said Lemons.

Lemons said she's hoping people will remember that the cut-off date for CIA applicants is

midnight Dec. 15. Applications do not need to be completed by that day but names need to be

turned in to CIA or the chamber of commerce by that date, said Lemons.



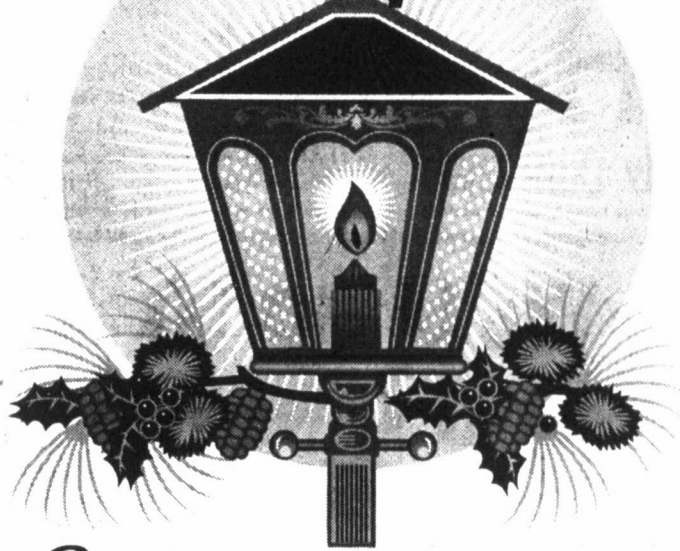
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Ag census arriving soon

The 1997 Census of Agriculture will be in the mailboxes of some Mitchell County residents during the last week of December and the first week of January.

The report must be returned by February 2, 1998.

The Census of Agriculture is conducted every five years, in years ending with two and seven.

Anyone who receives a census report form is required by Title 7 of the United States Code to respond and return the form, even if they did not operate a farm or ranch in 1997.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture, the definition of a farm in the United States is a place which produced and sold, or normally would have produced and sold, \$1,000 or more of agricultural products during 1997.

Information on individual farm operators is kept confidential, according to the Dept. of Agriculture. Information is used only for statistical purposes.

Report forms are tailored for various parts of the country and are specific to the crops grown in a farmer's particular area.

It is the only source of uniform, comprehensive data on agricultural production and operator characteristics for each county, state and the nation.

Because of the importance of

this information, Congress requires USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service to conduct the census.

Data from the census is used in a variety of ways. For example, farm organizations use census data to develop and evaluate programs and policies that affect farmers and ranchers. Agribusinesses use the data to develop market strategies and to determine the most effective locations for service to agricultural producers.

In addition, elected representatives use census data to develop programs to protect and promote United States agriculture. Public and private analysts make extensive use of census data in making projections and evaluating results of events and programs. Colleges and universities use census data in research programs to develop new and improved methods to increase agricultural production.

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School News

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Thursday, December 11
Lucky Tray Day at Kelley Elementary

Friday, December 12
Hutchinson Clown Circus
CMS Christmas Dance
Silly Sock Day at Kelley Elementary

Saturday, December 13
none reported

Sunday, December 14
none reported

Monday, December 15
Hutchinson PTO meeting at 5:30 p.m. in cafeteria
Kelley students take trip to Lubbock to see The Nutcracker Suite

Tuesday, December 16
Westbrook K-6 grades visit nursing homes
Hutchinson 5th grade music program at 2:30 p.m. & 7 p.m. in cafeteria
CMS Employee Christmas party
Kelley Elementary Music Program at 2 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. in gym

Wednesday, December 17
Hutchinson 5th grade music program at 2:30 p.m. in cafeteria
Kelley CEI Lab Celebration

Thursday, December 18
Westbrook school early release for Christmas holidays at 2:15 p.m.
Westbrook classes resume Monday, January 5
Hutchinson Christmas parties at 2 p.m.
Hutchinson early release at 2:30 p.m.
Kelley Christmas parties at 1:15 p.m.
Early release at Kelley Elementary at 1:50 p.m.

Children's stress level increases during holidays

By Mary McMullen-CEA-FCS

During the holidays everyone's stress level is increased and it is often more evident in children. Here are some tips to help deal with your children's stress.

1. Try to keep your child's routine as close to normal as possible.
2. Monitor your child's intake of food and "goodies" during the season.
3. Allow for a nap time if your child is going to be up late at night.
4. Help your child understand what is causing this

stress and try to change these causes.

5. Help your child learn how to cope with stress so that it does not hurt.
6. Recognize when a child is stressed. Be alert to change in behavior such as quarrels, bedwetting or poor concentration.
7. Talk to your child. Find a time when she is fairly calm. Tell her of your concerns and ask her to talk about what is bothering her. Tell her it's OK to feel scared, lonely or angry and that she is not alone in having these feelings.
8. Pay attention to stress in the family. Reduce it as much as possible. A child's stress may be a response to family pressures.

Children, even young ones, often experience overloads of stress. By your example and instruction, you can help your child learn ways to manage and reduce stress so it does not hurt them. At the same time, this will teach them stress-handling techniques that will serve them well for the rest of their lives.

UTPB to hold commencement December 13th

Fall commencement ceremonies at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin are scheduled for Saturday, December 13, in the University gymnasium.

Two ceremonies are planned to accommodate the more than 200 graduating students and their guests. Business and humanities/fine arts students graduate at the 10 a.m. ceremony. Commencement for students earning degrees in behavioral science, math and sciences, and education will be held at 2:30 p.m.

A reception in the Student Lounge will follow each ceremony. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call the Registrar's Office at 552-2635.

W'brook play date changed to Dec. 10th

The date for the Westbrook High School drama class's annual Christmas play has been changed from Thursday to Wednesday, Dec. 10.

The play, "It Happened in Bethlehem", will be performed in Wildcat Auditorium at 7 p.m.

4-H Christmas event set for December 13

The annual Mitchell County 4-H Christmas event and dance will be held this Saturday, December 13th at the Wallace Center. The event allows 4-H members, families and guests to participate in fun, food, games and dancing. Non 4-H members and the public are welcome to attend the festivities.

Admission to the event is five canned goods and \$2 for singles or \$3 and 10 canned goods for couples. Snacks and

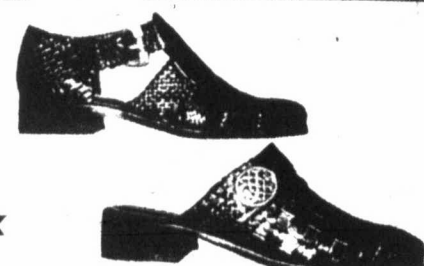
drinks will be available and members are requested to bring their favorite C.D.'s for the dance. The festivities will start at 7 p.m. and conclude around 11 p.m. Activities will be supervised by 4-H Leaders and once you arrive you will not be permitted to leave. Educational activities of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all-citizens without regard to race, color, sex, age, religion, disability or national origin.

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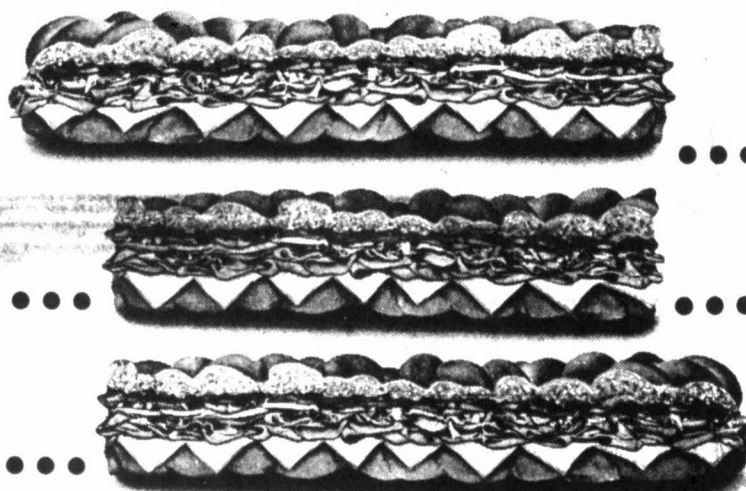
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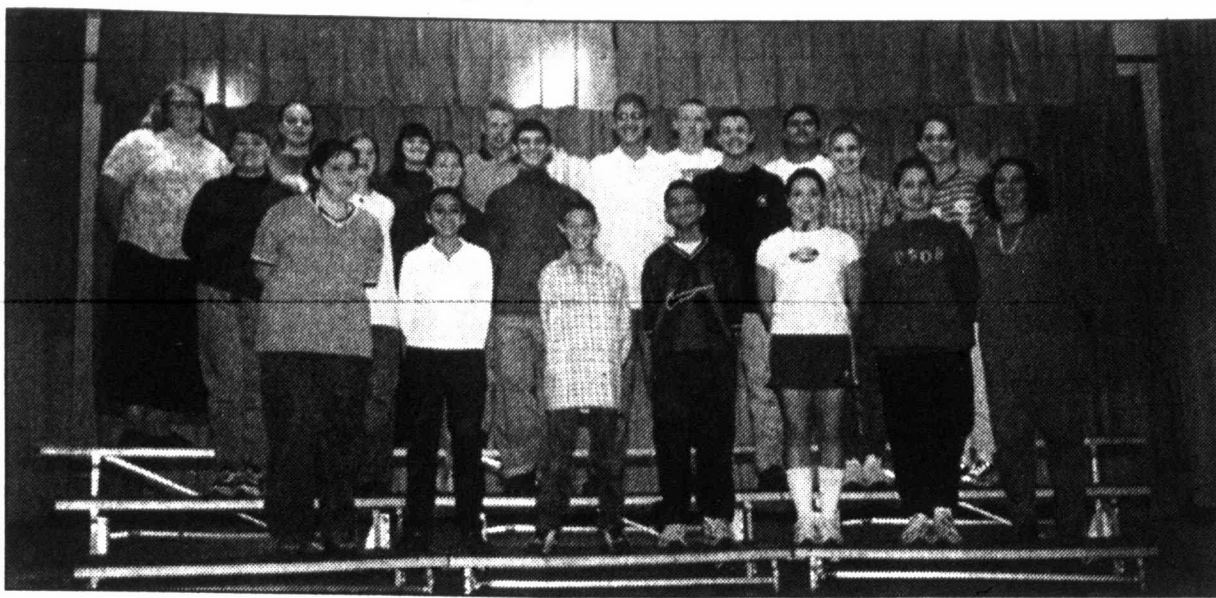
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School News



THE WESTBROOK CHOIR will be presenting a Christmas program Sunday at 6 p.m. at the Westbrook Baptist Church. Pictured are choir members, front row (l-r) Ashley Redwine, Jennifer Garcia, Matt Truelove, Tracie Standley, Kaci Moody and sponsor Brenda Wilson. Middle row (l-r) Sunni Shipp, Haley Hemphell, Kristin Moody, Chris Chambers, Erick Ro-verson, Cham Hall, Amanda Rollins and Jaci Hill. Back row (l-r) Della Roe, Jenny Wright, Connie Kock, Russell Whitesides, Leroy Mills, James Matos.

Board re-evaluates driver's ed program

Colorado Independent School District Board of Trustees reviewed the costly driver education program and approved a date change during Tuesday's regular board meeting.

Superintendent Russell Merket presented the board with the financial breakdown of the program for 1996-1997 showing

a loss of \$3,268.57.

Students are charged \$155 for driver's education which brought revenues last year of \$7,415. However, expenditures amounted to \$10,683.57. A rental vehicle of \$25 per day, amounted to \$2,970 for the year. Other expenses included salaries, gas, parts, supplies and insurance.

Merket said that the rental cost is expected to increase next year and recommended using a 1988 Ford belonging to the district.

"That should cut our costs back to a break-even point," said Merket.

In the policy approved by the board, classroom and in-car instruction for driver education would be held the second semester of the school year and in the summer.

The classroom phase of the driver education program will begin January 19 and will end no later than February 27. The class had been originally set to begin Jan. 20.

The classes will be scheduled at the high school principal's discretion with afternoon sessions beginning at 4 p.m. and ending at 5:30 p.m.—a one and a half hour class to be held for 23 days. The morning sessions will be scheduled from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m., a one hour class for 34 days.

Classroom instruction precedes the laboratory phase. The requirements state that 34 hours of classroom instruction is held in addition to laboratory experience consisting of seven hours of in-car instruction and seven hours of in-car observation.

Board President Larry Blessingame said that if operating costs continue to rise, eventually it may not be cost effective for the school district to continue to offer the program.

"Parents can teach their kids driver's ed," said Blessingame.



AMANDA MCCLINTON HOLDS A POSTER she won in the C.E.I. Lab six week drawing at Hutchinson Elementary. Amanda won the chance to have her name drawn by getting 100% on the SHARE portion of her lessons. She will also receive a free ice cream cone courtesy of Dairy Queen.

SCHOOL MENUS

School Menus for December 15-19 Kelley Elem., Hutchinson, Middle School and High School Breakfast

Monday - Assorted dry cereal or cinnamon toast, chilled juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Assorted dry cereal or sausage on a stick, chilled juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Assorted dry cereal or breakfast burrito, chilled juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - Assorted dry cereal or biscuit & gravy, chilled juice, choice of milk.

Friday - PSI Day Kelley Elementary Lunch

Monday - Corndog, French fries, tossed salad, brownie, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Barbecue on a bun, tator tots, ranch style beans, birthday cake, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Steak fingers, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, peaches, dinner roll, choice of milk.

Thursday - Christmas Dinner Baked Ham, mashed potatoes with gravy, black eyed peas, cornbread, ambrosia, choice of milk.

Friday - PSI Day Hutchinson, Middle School and High School Lunch

Monday - Hamburger or Corndog, French fries, tossed salad, brownie, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Hamburger or Barbecue on a bun, tator tots, ranch style beans, birthday cake, choice of milk.

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Friday - PSI Day Westbrook School District Breakfast

Monday - French toast sticks,

little smokies, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - Biscuits, bacon, eggs, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday - Cereal, toast, fruit juice, milk.

Thursday - Hot pockets, fruit juice, milk.

Friday - Teachers workshop.

Lunch

Monday - Salisbury steak, gravy, creamed potatoes, English peas, biscuits, syrup, honey, milk.

Tuesday - Meat loaf, catsup, scalloped potatoes, black eyed peas, Jell-O, milk.

Wednesday - Turkey & dressing, giblet slavery, cranberry sauce, green beans, pumpkin pie, sliced bread, milk.

Thursday - Sandwiches, lettuce, tomato, french fries, apple, milk.

Friday - Teachers workshop.

Loraine School District Breakfast

Monday - Cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast taco, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - Donut, fruit, milk.

Thursday - Cheese toast, juice, milk.

Friday - Christmas break begins.

Lunch

Monday - Sausage on stick barbecue sauce, pork n' beans, salad, hot rolls, pudding, milk.

Tuesday - Chicken dippers, mashed potatoes, pears, cinnamon rolls, bread, milk.

Wednesday - Pizza, tator tots, corn fruit, milk.

Thursday - Taco salad/sauce, Spanish rice, pinto beans, shape ups, milk.

Friday - Christmas break begins.



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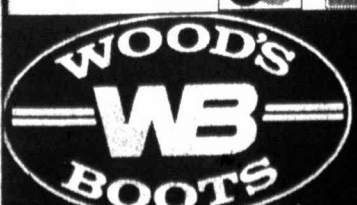
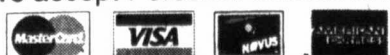
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Sports

Senior class... winners from the 7th grade

What does it take to be a champion? Eleven senior young men who played football together for six years might just have an answer to that question.

Since the seventh grade in Colorado City, these players helped put together a won/lost record of 54-16-1.

They have something in common! They came off the sand lots in 1992, about 40 strong, to play junior high football. Coach Yardy Powell was their first mentor and he remembers each one of them well.

"These boys basically played the same position all through their football careers. By that, I mean if they were on the line in junior high they primarily stayed there in a similar position, and if they were backs they stayed in the back field."

Powell recollected some unique things about each one of the players. "Now the thing I remember most about Jeff Anzaldua was he always had a smile on his face, but when he put that head gear on for practice and for a game the smile left, and he got down to business in a hurry. Chris Fambro was always intense, even at that age he pushed himself to be the best and he pushed others to excel also. Now Arian (Emerson) was the best natured kid you ever saw, he was very quiet then. I remember he never gave his coaches or his teachers the least bit of trouble. He was real fast in the beginning but I remember him best in 1992 for his hard hitting defensive play. Speaking of hard hitting, the first time I saw Bingo Nelson in pads I knew he would strike you. Javier Quintero was just down-right mite, he hardly said a word, but he was quick. He ran on our sprint relay team in junior high and was our second team fullback. Jon Castro was just a stubby little kid, but as the years went by he finally grew. He didn't do a lot of hoo-rah stuff but he always came ready to play. Adam Wood had great hands even back then, he was always our tight end and when we wanted to throw he was the favorite target. Micah Brannan was real little, but he just kept coming back for more. We tried to match Micah up with someone his own size during drills. Cody Kemp was a tall, lanky kid and he was a little awkward at that age, but he had

great work ethics. And, of course, the awkwardness went away as he matured. Now if we had a funny character it was Armando Rivera. He was never serious, he was always loose and never worried about any circumstance or situation. He played awfully hard on offense and defense," remembered Powell from 1992-93.

Jesse Rios came along to join this group in the ninth

grade and played with them for four years.

What did these young men have in common? They couldn't stand to lose, and if by chance they did, they pegged the loss as a reminder not to lose again. It just hurt too bad. They set a goal to be District Champions their senior year of 1997-98, remembered Anzaldua and Brannan. Emerson said it was the little things

that made them champions. They realized how much they could help each other, they ran around together, and they made it a point to encourage younger teammates to associate with them. "We were just one big family," said Emerson.

"Our parents were very supportive and they wanted to help us any way they could, and for that matter so did the

older football players," mentioned Fambro.

"We wanted to work hard so we wouldn't lose," stated Wood.

"It seemed like once we started winning people got behind us and recognized us. We got used to winning. We expected to win and if we didn't we just came back harder the next week," stated Nelson and Rios.

"When we were on the JV we had big crowds, in fact it seemed like we had as many people for our out of town games as the varsity did," recalled Kemp, Castro, and Rivera.

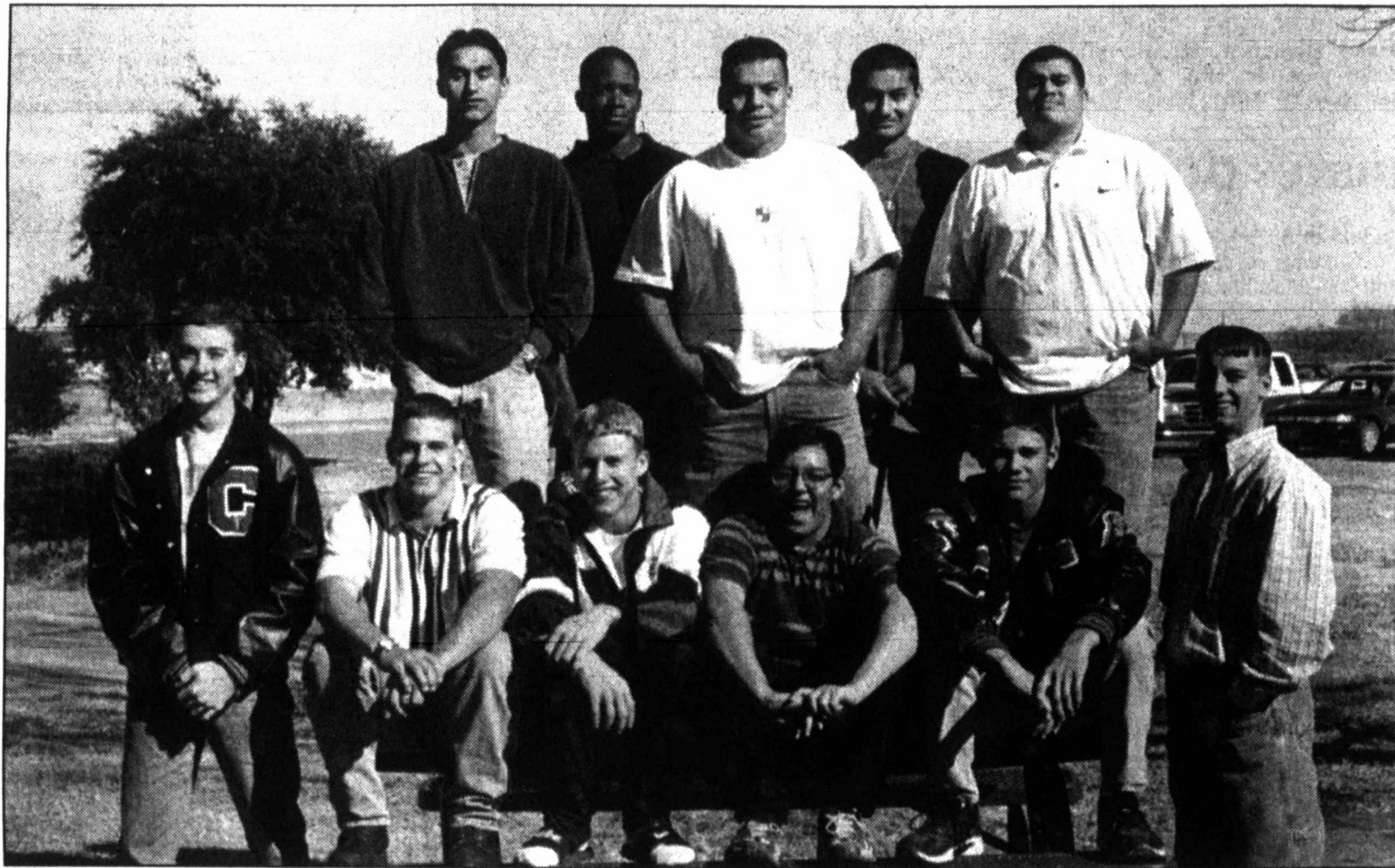
Two things that helped them was scrimmaging the varsity when they were in the 9th and 10th grades and playing against Fabens in the Wolves' 1995 win at Monahans.

"Since we had to go up against bigger and better players during scrimmage, we knew we could beat bigger and better players during a game. The varsity made us feel we were a part of them so in turn they were a part of us," they all agreed.

Honestly, I believe these players were the greatest leaders we've ever had. They've been a great example to our younger players, both on the varsity and below.

- Bill Grissom -

11 seniors played together for six years...



THE 1997 SENIOR WOLVES are pictured top row (l-r) Jessie Rios, Arian Emerson, Jeff Anzaldua, Javier Quintero and John Castro. Bottom row (l-r) are Cody Kemp, Chris Fambro, Adam Wood, Armando Rivera, Roland Nelson and Micah Brannan.

Lady Wolves win consolation in Brownfield

Colorado City's Varsity Lady Wolves captured the Consolation Trophy in the prestigious Brownfield basketball tournament this past weekend.

The Wolves, now 6-1 in the young season, lost the opening round to Hobbs 85-68, but demolished Alpine 65-42 and Lamesa 58-42 to take consolation honors.

A total of 38 turnovers killed the Wolves in the opening round against Hobbs. The

Eagles opened a 45-21 half-time lead giving Colorado City its first loss of the season. Kendra Anderson led the Wolves with 18 points, followed closely by Bettina Bridgford with 15. Mica Merrell and Barbara Rivera scored 11 each. Bridgford and Anderson accounted for 14 and 13 rebounds respectively.

Hobbs shot a scorching 53.5 percent from the field, to 38.8 for Colorado.

In the second round the Red

and Black were bandits, picking up 20 steals in route to a

65-42 win over Alpine. Anderson led the ladies with 13 points and 12 rebounds. Post Belinda Miles went 5-8 from the field scoring 12 points. Rivera hit 2 of 3 three pointers and totaled 12 points. Bridgford had 10 points.

Bridgford led the Wolves with 17 points as they routed Lamesa in the consolation final, 58-42. Lamesa held a 25-24 half-time lead, but 34

points in the second half won easily for the Wolves. Anderson had 11 points and Merrell picked up 10 for Colorado City. The Wolves had 19 steals, but turned the ball over 30 times.

"I'm happy the way the kids played overall, obviously we have to cut down on the turnovers. I thought our shot selection was good against Lamesa. We were 21 of 41 for a 51.2 percentage, and we're getting good rebounding right now," stated head varsity Coach Darrin Leverton.

Against Fabens, their highlight was Wood getting a sack and Rios making an interception. "When we were little we just wanted to be on the field and play for the Colorado Wolves, we didn't dream that the opportunity would come in a Bi-District victory over Fabens. That was a moment to remember," they recollected.

As they discussed football, more moments from the past were recalled. They remembered Timmy Arocha coming out of the locker room with his shoulder pads over his jersey on the first day of practice in the seventh grade. Wood remembered that same year that every time Armando Rivera ran his pants would fall lower and lower until they almost fell down. In the eighth grade, they scrimmaged the JV and won. They discussed the Bi-District play-off game that they thought they were just going to watch, but got to play in as sophomores. They recalled their two back-to-back District Championships as juniors and seniors. So on and so forth they swapped stories from the past and present about football and about winning.

The final sentence came from the quiet man, Javier Quintero. "It's been fun playing with all you guys," as the group began to break up and walk away.

JV Lady Wolves lose 2 in S'water

The Junior Varsity Lady Wolves dropped two games in the Sweetwater basketball tournament this past weekend, to even their record at 2-2.

After falling behind Big Spring 22-13 at half-time, Colorado made a 14-6 fourth quarter run, but fell to the Steers 43-37.

Edwina Ceballos led Wolves' scorers with 16 points, and Lacy Watson pocketed seven. Sylvia Rubio had 16 and Janet Evan had 12 points for the Steers.

Abilene High smashed a sluggish Colorado City in the second round, 72-25. Ceballos led Colorado City 10 points. Margaret Jameson scored seven and Jennifer Ritchey made six. Nancy Napier led the Eagles with 16 and Becky Harness had 11.

Colorado City Varsity Girls Basketball Statistics (thru December 6, 1997)

	FGM-FGA	FG%	FTM-FTA	FT%	PTS	PT/G AVE
Anderson	46-98	46.9	31-44	70.5	124	17.7
Turnbow	4-13	30.8	3-9	33.3	11	1.6
B. Rivera	22-53	41.5	18-30	60.0	66	9.4
Merrell	34-70	48.6	15-25	60.0	85	12.1
L. Rivera	3-15	20.0	2-6	33.3	8	1.1
Bridgford	27-72	37.5	16-22	72.7	73	10.4
Mason	8-20	40.0	15-26	57.7	31	4.4
Miles	16-38	42.1	6-8	75.0	38	5.4
Scott	5-12	41.7	6-8	75.0	16	2.3
Colorado	165-391	42.2	112-178	62.9	452	64.6
Opponents	127-339	37.5	59-117	50.4	317	45.3

Miscellaneous Statistics

	OFF RB	DEF RB	TOT RB	BK SH	Take CHG	S	A	F
Anderson	35	41	76	5	1	26	17	15
Turnbow	3	7	10	0	0	2	3	2
B. Rivera	11	13	24	0	0	29	12	13
Merrell	16	12	28	0	0	12	19	15
L. Rivera	1	9	10	0	1	1	0	9
Bridgford	15	27	42	1	2	7	16	20
Mason	11	15	26	1	1	18	14	20
Miles	15	16	31	0	1	8	10	23
Scott	5	5	10	0	0	2	2	6
Team	10	14	24	0	0	5	0	0
Colorado	122	159	281	7	6	110	93	123
Opponents	95	127	222	0	0	0	0	158

*BK SH - Block Shot *S - Steals *A - Assists *F - Fouls

Wolves lose to Merkel Badgers, 66-51

The Merkel Badgers blasted the Colorado Wolves 66-51 Tuesday night at the Pit.

Merket, shooting a hot 53% from the field, grabbed a 38-19 halftime lead, increased it to 46-31 in the third quarter and then coasted in for the win.

With a late start due to a lengthy football season, the Colo-

rado cagers only shot 26% from the field. "We need more practice time. We've played six games, but we've only had four practices. Our kids are just not sharp at this time," stated Hayden Merket, head boys' basketball coach.

Justin Hill scored 16, followed by Brett Hoyle with 10, Terry

Green and Randy Byington had seven, Ty Wood scored four, Frank Martinez and Armando Rocha had two each. Will Basham scored one.

Colorado's JV lost to Merkel 56-34. Heath McGaha led the Wolves scorers with 15. Wendell Mayes followed with seven points.

Merkel Badgers topple Lady Wolves, 68-61

The Merkel Badgers came to town and got inside the Wolves' den to pick up a 68-61 victory over the Colorado Lady Wolves Tuesday night at the Pit.

Merket jumped out to a 37-24 halftime lead and increased it to 49-33 at the end of the third quarter. But the Wolves, behind the field goal shooting of Bettina Bridgford and Kendra Anderson along with free throws from Mica Merrell, brought the Wolves

within five points with 1:22 left in the ball game.

Kendra Anderson hit a three point shot, cutting the lead to 52-58 with 43 seconds left in the ball game. Good free throw shooting by Merket kept them in the lead till the final horn.

The Lady Wolves, now 6-2 on the season, were led by Bettina Bridgford's 19 points. Kendra Anderson had 16, Belinda Miles

13, and Mica Merrell scored 12.

"We just didn't play hard enough in the first half. We're going to have to play harder, they beat us up and down the court. We finally got to business in the second half and the results showed on the scoreboard," stated Coach Darrin Leverton.

The Lady Badger's JV beat the Wolves JV 46-28 at the high school gym.

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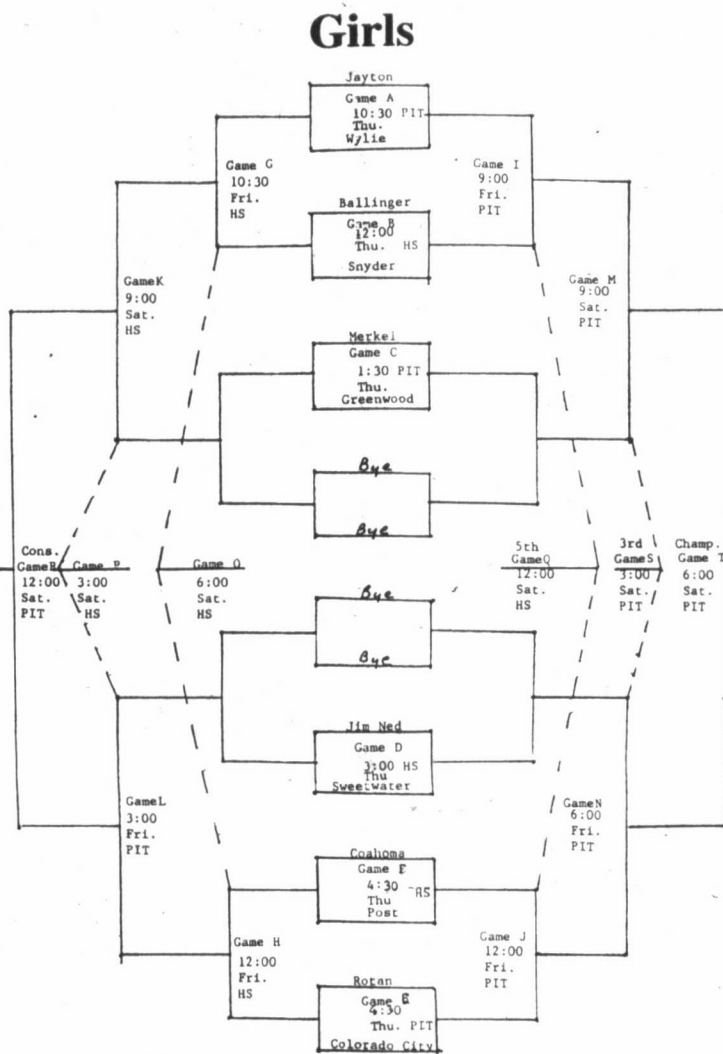
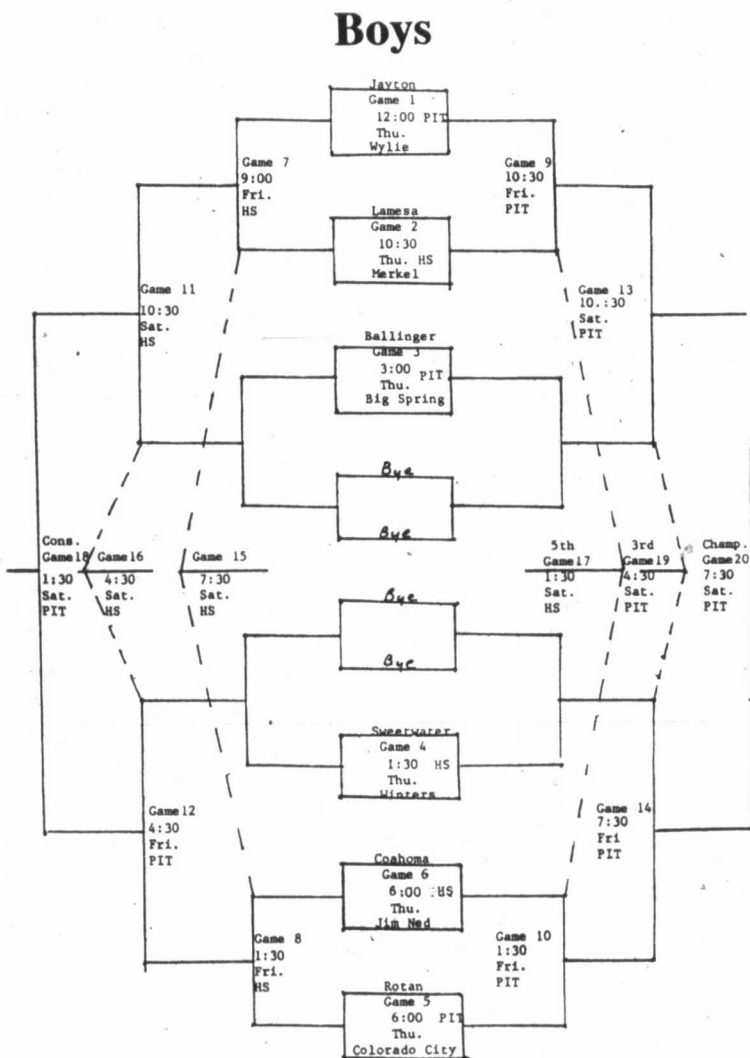
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Sports

JV basketball tournament this weekend

The Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce, and Project Celebration will host the annual Junior Varsity Lone Wolf Classic Basketball Tournament Thursday through Saturday, December 11-13 at the Pit and the Colorado High School Gym.

A total of 24 boys and girls teams will compete in the tournament. Action starts at 10:30 a.m. Thursday.



JV boys lose in Breckenridge tourney

The Colorado J.V. boys lost two squeakers to Hamlin and Stamford December 4-6 at the Breckenridge Tournament.

Colorado shot poorly at the free throw line in the fourth quarter losing to Hamlin 42-36. Josh Griffin was high point for the Wolves with 12, followed by Wendel Mayes with eight points.

D.J. Rivera led the Wolves with 15 markers against Hamlin, but the Pied Pipers hung

on to win 31-29 in the third round of the tourney. Heath McGaha scored seven points for the Wolves.

"I thought the kids competed well. We had a chance to win those two games. We've got to eliminate our turnovers in order to give ourselves a chance. It's early in the season, so we have a lot we can build on," stated J.V. Coach Yardy Powell.

Loraine basketball teams lose

The Loraine boys and girls basketball teams lost two games each in last weekends double elimination tournament held at Highland.

The Lady Bulldogs opened play by losing to Highland by a score of 42-36. Highland jumped off to a 12-2 lead early in the game before Loraine cut the lead to 14-9 at the end of the first period. At half-time Highland was ahead 23-17. Leading scorer for Loraine was Laura Rosas with 12 points while Leslie Garcia canned 11.

In the late Thursday game the Loraine boys lost a close game to Highland 36-34. Both teams did not play very well in the contest. Ed Carrington led Loraine with eight points. Josh

Wooddell and Greg Limones both had six. Rene Garcia and Bubba Williams were held to five points each and Roman Martinez pitched in two.

On Friday, the Lady Bulldogs played Roby. Loraine stayed with the Lady Lions through the first half. At the end of the first half the two were knotted at 16-16. In the second half Roby put on a press that the Lady Bulldogs were unable to overcome. The final score was Roby 44, Loraine 33. High point for Loraine was Leslie Garcia with 10.

In the boys game Loraine took on the Ira Bulldogs. Loraine jumped on Ira early and lead 14-11 at the end of the first quarter. Ira blistered the nets for 29 points in the second quarter to pull away. They went on to claim an 82-59 win. Greg Limones led the Bulldogs effort with 18 points. Josh Wooddell added 13 and Bubba Williams chipped in 10.

The Bulldogs girls and boys team will play this weekend in the Oak Creek tournament in Blackwell. The girls kick off the tournament against Anson at 9 a.m. Thursday morning and the boys will tip-off at 10:30 a.m. against Anson.

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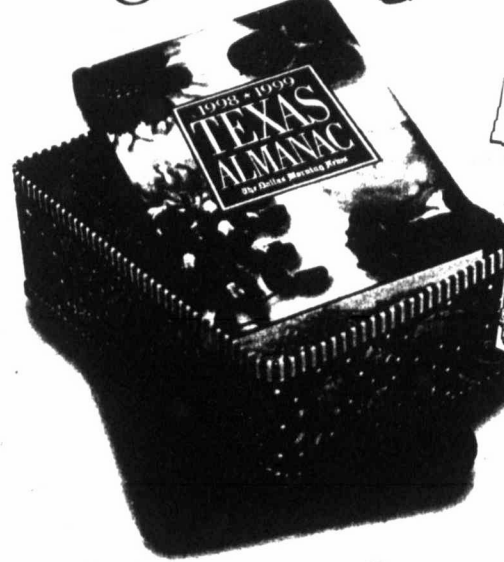
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- ☐ how to contact consumer organizations or government agencies regulating the plan
- ☐ coverage of emergency care when you believe you are suffering a medical emergency
- ☐ education for members about availability, location and use of emergency services
- ☐ which emergency services will you have to share cost with the plan
- ☐ a review process for new drugs, devices, procedures and therapies
- ☐ individual case review for seriously ill patients who are denied coverage
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- ☐ assurances that a member cannot be discriminated against because of age, race, national origin, religion, financial situation, sexual orientation, genetic make-up or source of payment
- ☐ members should have access to an outside program that explains the plans coverage provisions, investigates member's complaints, helps file grievances and appeals, and provides consumer education
- ☐ coverage in unforeseen emergencies and urgent medical care out of the plan's service area
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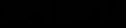
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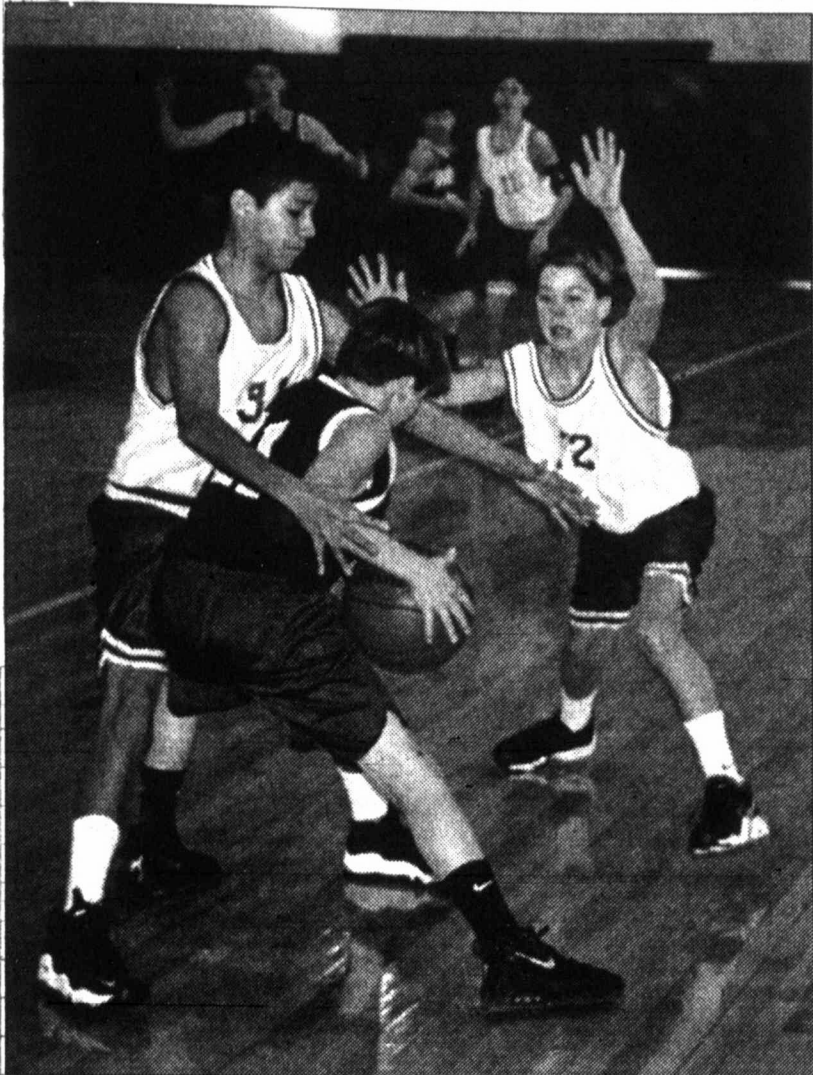
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GOTCHA CORNERED FELLA! Freshmen Aaron Waldrip (#22) and Albert Luera defense an unidentified Bronte Longhorn player at the Lone Wolf Freshman Basketball tournament held this past weekend. Bronte won by two.

Lone Wolf Classic...

San Angelo teams win

San Angelo boys teams walked away with all the honors in the freshman division of the Lone Wolf Classic December 4-6 at the Pit.

San Angelo Edison defeated San Angelo Glenn 70-26 for the championship trophy.

The freshman Wolves pounded Winters 64-44 in the first game of the tourney behind the accurate shooting of Andrew Spear, who scored 18 points.

In the second round, Bronte squeaked by Colorado 37-35. Ian Bassham led the Wolves with 14 points.

The freshman clobbered Sonora 44-29 with Bassham again getting the hot hand with 14 points.

The Colorado freshmen defeated Big Spring Monday night December 8th at the Pit 64-37. Ian Bassham scored 19 and Kevin Wright had 17 for the victors.

Freshman Lady Wolves lose to Big Spring 45-26

The freshman Lady Wolves fell to Big Spring 45-26, Monday, Dec. 8 at the Pit in Colorado City. The loss was the Lady Wolves' third in a row.

Kim Rivera scored eight points, Callie Bolin had seven,

Toni Joiner and Desiree Garcia scored four points each and Kristin Ormales managed three.

"I thought our kids did a decent job breaking the press, but we couldn't get the ball inside their zone," said Coach Karen Trent.



RIVERA GOES HIGH FOR TWO. Kim Rivera scores two points for the freshmen Lady Wolves against Snyder in the Lone Wolf Tournament held this past weekend in Colorado City. Desiree Garcia (#12) spots up underneath and Callie Bowlin (#25) runs in to rebound.

Big Spring Lady Steers win first

Big Spring's freshmen Lady Steers squeaked by Jim Ned 41-40 Saturday evening to capture the Lone Wolf Classic Tournament sponsored by the Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce.

Heather Harris scored 16 for the Steers, while Le Andra Pruitt made 16 for Jim Ned.

Colorado's ninth grade won against Snyder, 51-36 Thursday in the opening round, but fell to Jim Ned 59-43 and Merkel 32-24.

The young Wolves pulled

away from Snyder in the fourth period outscoring the 'Cats 20-10. Kim Rivera led the Lady Wolves with 25 points, followed by Callie Bolin, nine, Kristin Ormales, eight, Toni Joiner, three and Cassie Rivera had one point.

Colorado grabbed 25 rebounds behind Rivera, Bolin and Lacy Dockery. Dockery had a team high seven steals earlier in the week against Post to go with her four against Snyder.

Jim Ned shut the Freshmen Wolves out 18-0 in the third quarter to win 59-43 in the second round competition. Bolin accounted for 13 points and 10 rebounds. Kim Rivera had 10, Christin Ormales, eight, Joiner, five, Desiree Garcia, four, and Dockery, three points.

Merkel limited Colorado City to only five points in the fourth quarter, winning 32-24. Bolin was high point with 10,

followed by Rivera and Joiner with four. Garcia, Ormales and Cassie Rivera each scored two.

8th grade Lady Wolves lose

The eighth grade Lady Wolves went scoreless in the third period and fell to Big Spring 19-14, Monday night at Kelly Gym in Colorado City.

High point for the "A" team Wolves was Kassie Redwine with six points. Vanessa Quintero hit five, Kandon McGuffin scored two, and Erica Grant finished with one.

The Lady Steers won the "B" game in overtime 17-15. Chesna Riley and Kristen Ritchey each scored five points. Crystal Martinez and Ashley Hill scored three and two points respectively for the young Wolves.

"Both the 'A' and 'B' teams played well enough to win. The 'A' team came back strong in the fourth quarter, and the 'B' team lost it at the free throw line in over-time," said Coach Anita Graham.

8th grade boys beat S'water

On Dec. 4, the eighth grade "A" team hobbled Sweetwater 35-23 in Sweetwater for their first win.

Arthur Belvin scored 14 points to lead the Wolves. Marquese Lenard tossed in 10, Isaac Garza made five and Marcus Wyrosdick and Brent Moore had three apiece.

7th grade girls still winning

The seventh grade Lady Wolves kept their unbeaten string alive beating Big Spring, 33-17 Monday night at Kelly Gym in Colorado City.

Alison Lopez led Colorado with 12 points, while Teri Phariss had eight, Kotia Russell seven, and Natalie Sharp, Amanda Rodriguez and Stephanie Boyd scored two apiece.

Colorado's seventh grade "B" girls lost to Big Spring 21-8 in the opening contest. Jackie Davila, Elaine Guterrez, Theresa Cobb, and Rachel Arguijo all had two points.

"Both groups are improving and this is what we expect from these girls. We still need to improve, but they are doing a great job," stated Coach Jeran Gatlin.

8th grade boys A team loses to Big Spring

Colorado City's eighth grade "A" basketballers lost to Big Spring 49-34, Monday night in Big Spring.

The young Wolves hung close in the first half, trailing 21-23, but Big Spring went on a 16-6 run in the third period to pull away for the win. Colorado is 1-3 on the year.

"Our kids played hard and they did a good job. We had some trouble with their press in the second half, but mentally I think we're becoming a better team," stated Coach Jerald Epperson.

Arthur Belvin scored 13 for the Wolves, followed by Marquese Lenard with eight and Marcus Wyrosdick had seven points.

The Colorado eighth grade "B" team fell to the Big Spring "B" team 45-11 in the opener Monday night. David Pineda and Abraham Espinoza scored four apiece, while Trey Scott hit on three for the Wolves.

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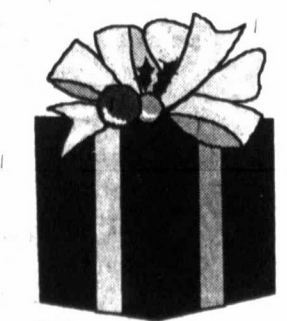
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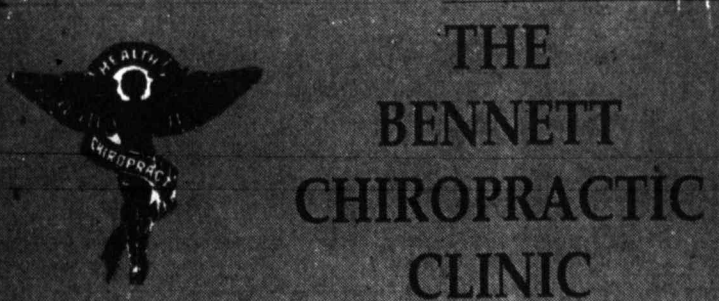
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Sports

Westbrook and Loraine to compete in Blackwell tournament

The Westbrook and Loraine High girls and boys basketball team will be competing in the Blackwell High Oak Creek

Classic basketball tournament this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, December 11, 12, 13. The tournament gets under-

way at 9 a.m. Thursday when the Loraine Lady Bulldogs play Anson. The boys from Loraine will follow at 10:30 with a match against Anson.

The Westbrook girls match up with Highland at noon followed by the boys against Highland at 1:30 p.m.

The Westbrook girls placed third at the Highland Hill Classic last weekend and hope to improve on that finish this weekend.

The Loraine boys and girls and the Westbrook boys lost two games each and were eliminated early in last week

play. Those teams hope to improve that outcome as well.

The Westbrook boys were competing for the first time and were a little rusty but showed flashes of good basketball at times. The match-up with Highland should be a good one as Highland has a young, struggling team.

Both the boys and girls teams from Loraine played well at time but were not consistent. If either team can put together two good halves they will be very competitive. This will be the last tournament scheduled this season for both teams.

Westbrook Lady Wildcats place third in Hilltop Classic tournament

The Westbrook Lady Wildcats placed third in the Hilltop Classic basketball tournament held in Highland last Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The Lady Wildcats opened the tournament on Thursday with a 64-41 drubbing of Blackwell. Afton Stowers pumped in 26 points to lead Westbrook to victory.

On Friday, Westbrook met the Trent Lady Gorillas in the semi-finals. Despite Stowers pouring in 22 points, the Lady Wildcats were unable to get on track and went down in defeat 66-46.

The Lady Wildcats played Highland for third place on Saturday. The ladies jumped off to a 16-11 first quarter lead

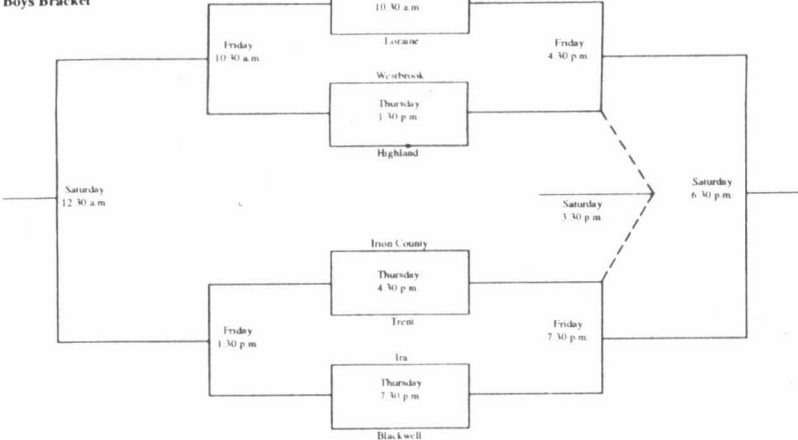
and never looked back. In the last quarter the girls sizzled the nets for 32 points while coasting to a 72-49 win.

Leading scorer for Westbrook on Saturday was Brook Dawson with 30 and Stowers assisted with 24. Randi Redwine added 13 to the cause.

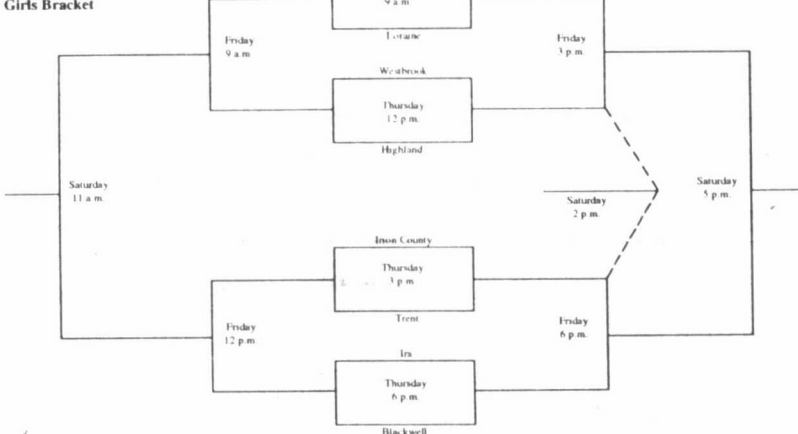
"We didn't play well on Friday against Trent but we came back with a good game against Highland on Saturday," said Coach Heath Dickson. "We just never were in sync against Trent."

The Lady Wildcats are scheduled to play this weekend in the Oak Creek Classic in Blackwell. They will open against Highland at 12 pm Thursday.

Blackwell High Oak Creek Classic
December 11, 12, and 13
Boys Bracket



Blackwell High Oak Creek Classic
December 11, 12, 13
Girls Bracket



Westbrook Wildcats lose both games in tournament

The Westbrook Wildcats lost both of their games in last weekend's Hilltop Classic tournament held at Highland.

Playing in their first game of the season because of the extended football season, the Wildcats were crushed 81-42 in Thursday night action to open the tournament. Davy Daniel led the team with 12 points. Maurice Chavez led Blackwell with 18.

On Friday, Westbrook tangled with Garden City and played well at times. At half they were only down by 31-26. Thadd Rich scored eight points and Chris Chambers added seven points to lead Westbrook.

Westbrook will play Highland at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in the first round of the Oak Creek basketball tournament in Blackwell.

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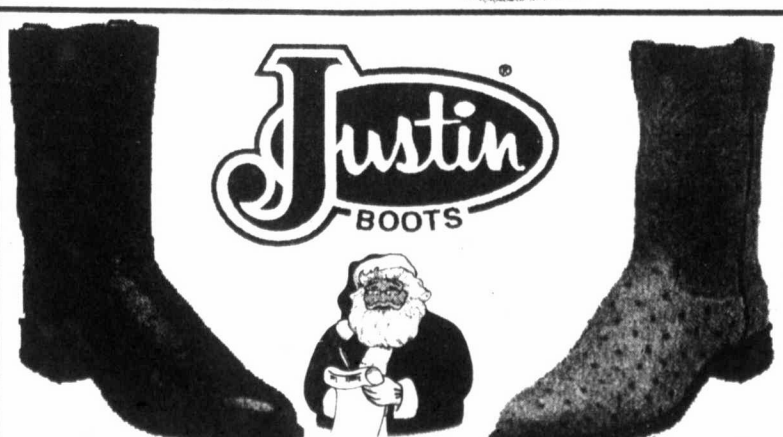
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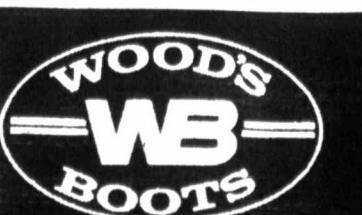


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Holidays kicked off in "bright" style

The holiday season in Mitchell County officially kicked off this past weekend with the annual Christmas parade and Courthouse Lighting ceremony taking place in

downtown Colorado City Saturday evening.

Organizers of the parade and Courthouse Lighting included: Sue Lowrance, Brett Footer, Judy Stewart, Orphie

Conner, Carolyn Smith, Leslie Perkins, Sue Hosey, Donna Starr and Sally Beavers.

Several hundred people attended the holiday program and lighting ceremony. The winners of the parade contest, Little Miss and Mr. Merry Christmas contest and the Mitchell County Shopping Spree were announced at the Courthouse Lighting.

Winners of the parade contest are as follows: First Place Float, Kristi Lee Manor; Second Place Float, Emmanuel Baptist Church; Third Place Float, Primera Iglesia Calvario Church; First Place Wheels, Scott Free; First Place other, Sammy Elliott.

Kaylee Graves, daughter of Lisa and Bobby Graves, was crowned Little Miss Merry Christmas for selling well over 300 shopping spree tickets. Tyler Qualls, son of Janice Qualls, was crowned Little Mr. Merry Christmas for selling 100 shopping spree tickets.

Other participants in the Little Miss and Mr. Merry Christmas contest were: Krys-tall Aguilar, daughter of Renee Aguilar; Jessica Frizzell, daughter of Mary and Kevin Frizzell; Ceci Barrera, daughter of Sylvia Barrera; and Theresa Ann Molina, daughter of Juan and Ramona Molina.

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Titan towels LLC formerly B.R.A.D. Communications Services, L.L.C. to the public, articles of amendment.

Donna Baker Hooker to Hal J. Rasmussen Opt. Inc., OGML.

Rockliff International, Inc. to SDX Resources, Inc., mineral sub. contr. lien affidavit.

Kathryn Ann Kremsky to Stanton Kremsky, WD.

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Robert McMillan et al to Weldon McMillan, WD.

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Michael C. Cool to Hal J. Rasmussen Oper. Inc., OG&ML.

Taurus Energy Corp. to Alliance Natural Gas, Inc., articles of merger.

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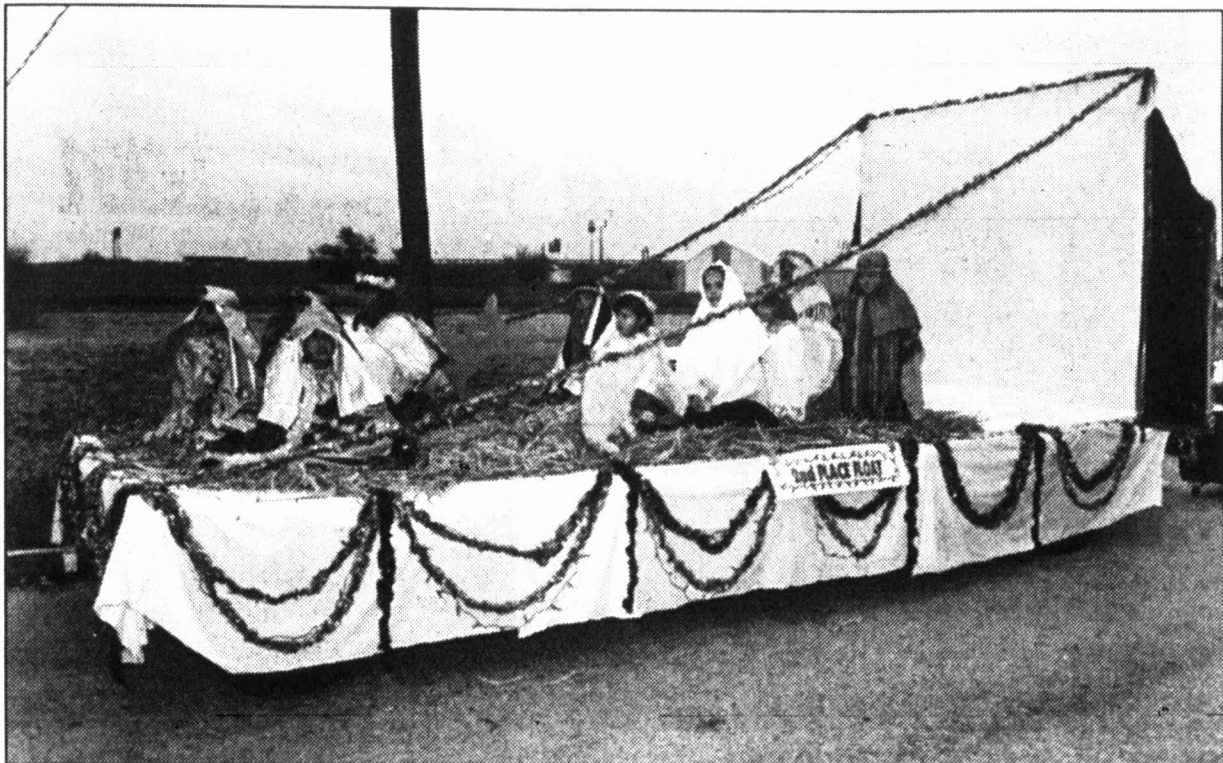
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 With love & gratitude,
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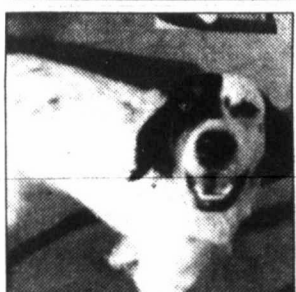
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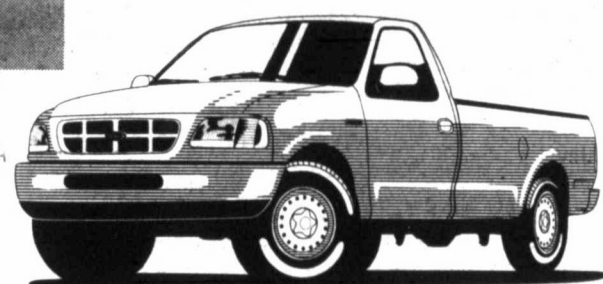
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Loraine News

By BESSIE ANN VAUGHN

Greetings... I hope you all had a good week and that El Nino didn't sneak up on you and cause you problems. At least we do have a scapegoat for everything...El Nino.

"Mr. Jones, you know I can't abide tardiness at work, what is your excuse?"

"Well sir, the warming trend pushed in by El Nino caused my wife to be late cooking the oatmeal. My dog, Mim, bit the garbage man and later gave birth to four puppies in my sock drawer. I then had to borrow panty hose from my wife and they are so short I can't stand up straight. All three of our kids came down with hantavirus and one block from work, my car belched and died. Have you ever tried to run a block in pantyhose?"

"Sir, please don't fire me...El Nino caused it all!"

Billie Schroeder recently returned from a three day Christmas Lights Tour of Shreveport, Bossier City and other areas in Louisiana. In Shreveport, the group toured the Libby glass factory and in Bossier City they visited the Magnolia Plantation.

The Christmas lights twinkling at night on different bodies of water seemed very special. On the return trip home, the tour bus made a long stop at Hulen Mall in Fort Worth for shopping and walking.

Charles and Mary Rose Bowen, along with Bro. Dan and Denise Marshall, were in Big Spring Nov. 29 to see The Nutcracker. The presentation was by the Lubbock Ballet.

The Charles Bowens enjoyed

Thanksgiving dinner with their daughters and families in Lubbock this year.

Our condolences go to the Pete Andrews family and friends. Also to the Lee Matlocks, as Nellie's mother passed away last week.

Danny and Pam Butler, Crystal and Brian, along with Juanice Butler enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday with Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Hughes of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Robert and Leann Earnest visited her parents, Delmas and Betty Bowlin, and also her grandmother Lela Bowlin last Sunday.

Charla and Danny Cain, along with Charity, from Anna, Tex. and Pete Cain from California and Tessa and Bobby Seals from Anna and their two children spent the night with Ham and Blondie Hamilton Friday night, Dec. 6.

Tharon and Doris Henderson went to Midland Sun., Dec. 6, to visit their children and to hear their granddaughters, Ashley and Morgan Henderson, sing in the church.

A luncheon and special tour of the Smoot House in Colorado City was sponsored by the Friendship Class of First Baptist Church of Loraine. Twenty-five ladies attended this event. They enjoyed viewing the lovely antiques in the home and had a delicious lunch.

I was told that Cecil Long got a fairly good report from his cardiologist. A pacemaker was recently implanted and we hope he will soon be feeling fit.

Please notice a nativity set displayed at the Mitchell County Library. It belongs to Gus Armstrong. Several years ago, a friend was going to Africa and told Gus he would bring him something back from that country.

It turned out to be a black nativity set, made from the knots of a cottonwood tree. It is very interesting and dear to the Armstrongs.

Ralston Bruce recently visited with Ronald and Nelda Bruce in Fort Stockton to help Ronald celebrate his 63rd birthday. Belated happy birthday to Ronald!

On his return trip, Ralston stopped in Midland to visit Juanice Taylor. She is doing well after her hip surgery he reports. While in Midland, Ralston also visited with Gerald and Isla Jean

Hallman. Gerald is also doing well after his bypass surgery.

Last Sunday night at United Methodist Church in Loraine, Chrismons were put on the tree. The decorations are gold and white.

At Sunday morning service, Vida Mae McDaniel played the piano for the musical service.

Kuddos go to Mr. Doc Gray for sharing his significant knowledge and expertise on family genealogies with us and with our Washington State reader, Doris Hay McGuire, concerning Choctaw history.

Mr. Gray mailed copies of land maps and other pertinent data to Mrs. McGuire and me. It is fascinating to read and would be even more so if this was part of one's heritage. It is a nice thing for Mr. Gray to do.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Graham visited her sons John and Matthew in Fort Worth Saturday. While there they took in the Aledo-Breckenridge play-off football game that was played in Bedford. Melody, a graduate of Breckenridge, watched her team go down in defeat 54-17 to Aledo.

Recently, the Abilene Reporter News recalled some activities of an ex-Loraine student, none other than our own Josephine Palmer Crutchfield. Josephine is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Palmer. She was a graduate of Loraine High School in 1933. "Jo" was the wife of Dr. Crutchfield and she was his dental assistant.

All of Loraine is proud to know that she will sing with the McMurtry Chanters (she was one of the original Chanters).

You may remember that Josephine's sister was the late Opal Palmer Richburg.

SENIOR CENTER NEWS
On Friday, Dec. 12, Local Yokels from Snyder will come over to entertain us.

Saturday, Dec. 13, there will be a 12 noon meal (a makeup meal) plus Christmas party. The

handbell choir will play for us. Monday, Dec. 15, Line dancers from Big Spring will come over and dance.

Wednesday, Dec. 17, there will be a Christmas program.

Friday, Dec. 19, "Angels" show and tell.

Monday, Dec. 22, Bingo and table games.

On Wednesday, Dec. 24, we will serve a noon meal, then close the center early in the afternoon and will stay closed until Dec. 29.

We are seeing beautiful Christmas vests, sweaters and sweatshirts on our friends and neighbors at the center. It is really getting us in the holiday mood.

After Thursday, Dec. 11, there are only 13 days until Christmas, so watch your conduct and be nice to everyone: so Santa will come see you!

LETTERS TO SANTA
Dear Santa,
I sure would like to have another foot massage by my neigh-

bor. Now, now Santa - it's my FEMALE neighbor.

Iva G. Armstrong

Dear Santa,
I'm almost old enough to drive, so please bring me a Harley motorcycle and a tattoo! I'll leave milk and cornbread for you.

Thanks old fella,
Bea Looney

Dear Santa,
I don't want a dang thing. Just want to live a little longer.

Junior Green
Green's Lil' Souper

Mayor Cat Martinez said he hoped for good health and good spirits for him and his family. He also wished for a good holiday season for the community.

Rosie Wright says she wants Santa to bring about four inches of snow to stir up the "deer" season.

Take care and see you about town!



John Ladd "Fireman of the Year" Donald Graham Deputy Fire Chief Clay Graham Award for 45 Years of Service

Loraine VFD holds banquet

The Loraine Volunteer Fire Department held their annual banquet last Tuesday, December 2, at the Senior Citizens building in Loraine.

After a meal of enchiladas, Spanish rice, and refried beans, Fire Chief Donnie Phillips recognized the Mayor and City Council members as well as several law enforcement officers that were present. He expressed his thanks to them for their help and cooperation.

Door prizes were drawn and almost all those present were recipients.

Deputy Fire Chief Donald Graham presented this year's Fireman of the Year award to John Ladd. Ladd, an employee of Fuller Foods, was lauded for

his tireless efforts on the department this past year.

In addition to the Fireman of the year award a special award was given to Clay Brooks Graham for 45 years of dedicated service to the department. Graham, a former deputy fire chief, was recently forced to resign from the department due to health reasons. It was also noted that the Loraine VFD responded to 83 calls and fireman Andrew Jones responded to 80 of those calls.

Fire chief Donnie Phillips then introduced game warden Randy Bullard who presented an interesting briefing on wildlife hunting in the area.

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