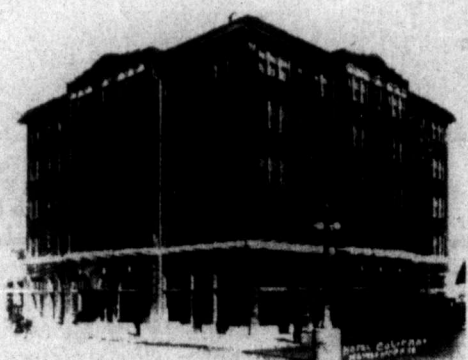




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Council votes to ease burn ban

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

Get ready Texans, a piece of the state's flavor is about to be served up ... with some restrictions.

The Colorado City City Council approved a measure Tuesday evening that extended the emergency ban on outdoor fires for 30 days, with the exception of small enclosed fires to be used for barbecue cooking.

Councilman Robert McNeil asked commissioners to modify a new 30-day burn ban to allow residents to cook in covered containers -- as long as they are attended at all times -- as a way to enable Colorado City residents to enjoy the Easter holiday. The council, after consulting fire department officials, unanimously approved the measure.

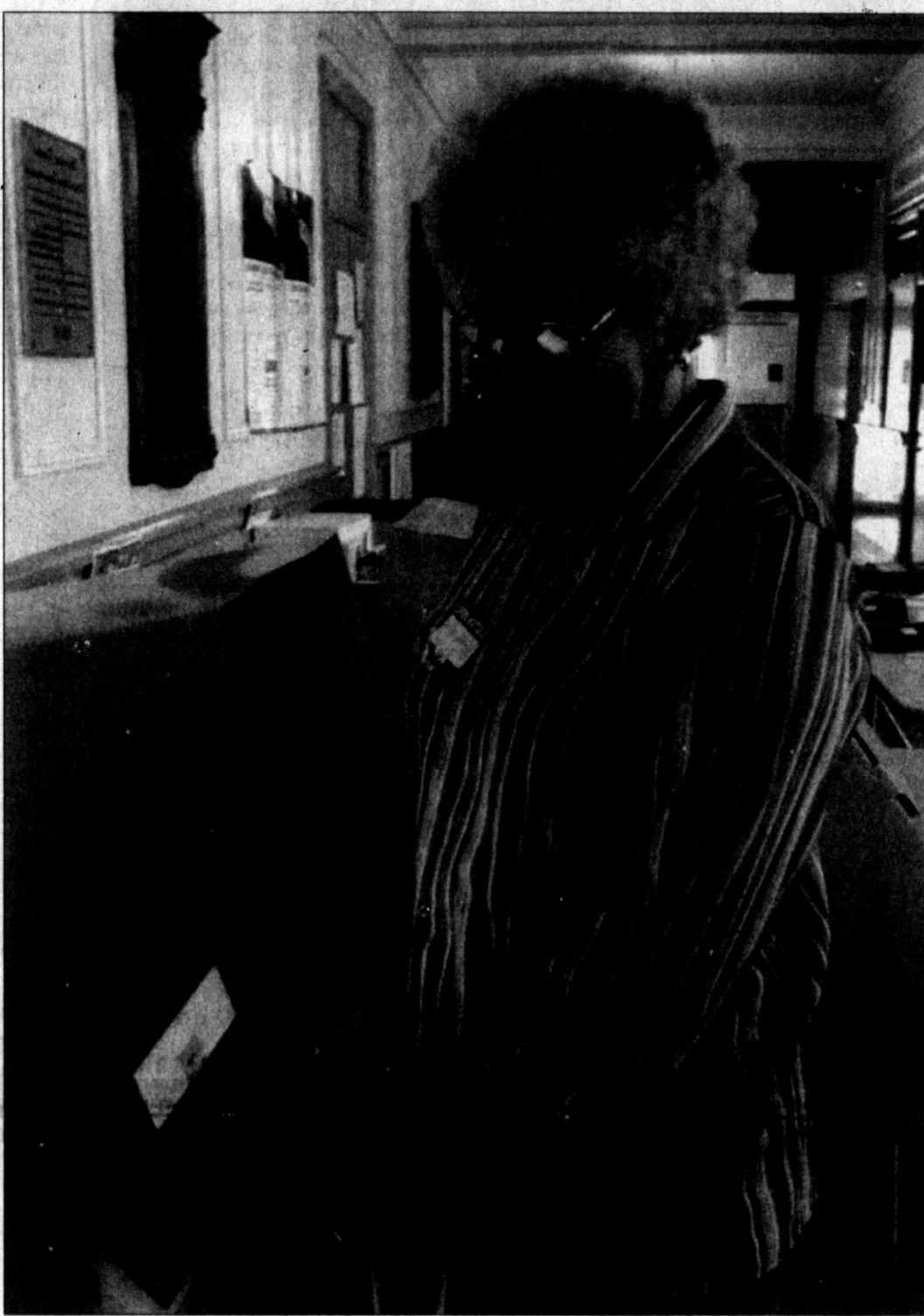
"I think we should continue the burn ban on a 30-day basis, but remove the ban on barbecuing as long as it is in an enclosed container and supervised at all times," said McNeil, noting many local residents traditional barbecue over the Easter holiday.

Commissioners were required to recertify the ban on open fires this month. The original 90-day emergency declaration expires April 17.

Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department officials said they didn't expect any problems from the move to allow barbecue cooking. CCVFD Fire Chief Rufino Martinez said the department had responded to only one fire this year caused by a barbecue cookout. That case, he noted, occurred when hot coals burned their way through an old cooker and fell onto the ground.

MITCHELL COUNTY RESIDENT
Bobbie Smith uses the county's new Auto-Mark electronic voting system to cast her ballot Tuesday afternoon at the Mitchell County Courthouse. Smith, a resident of Westbrook, was among hundreds of voters in Mitchell, Scurry, Tom Green and Coke counties to vote in the Republican and Democratic Joint Primary run-off election. The big choice facing most Mitchell county residents was the decision between incumbent Texas House Rep. Scott Campbell and former Colorado City businessman Drew Darby. Darby carried Mitchell County by an overwhelming margin.

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Tommy Wells



Double D's Day

Former Colorado City businessman wins Republican run-off, unseats incumbent Rep. Scott Campbell

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

Drew Darby might want to borrow Carl Guelker's nickname because "Landslide" certainly it him Tuesday evening as far as Mitchell County was concerned in the Republican/Democratic Joint Primary run-off election. The former Colorado City businessman collected more than 81 percent of the votes in a

hotly-contested -- and heated -- race against incumbent Texas House Representative Scott Campbell.

Darby received 206 of the 254 ballots cast in the Republican run-off election. Campbell, who was seeking his third term office, won just 48 votes.

The numbers didn't look that much different throughout House District 72. With 44 of the 78 See **DARBY**, Page 2

County, JP at odds over courthouse office space

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

The Mitchell County Commissioners Court isn't upset with the fact that Justice of the Peace for Precinct 3 Kay Richmond needs more space or, perhaps, even an aide to help her meet her increasing duties. In fact, they're extremely pleased with her job performance and agree she probably does need more space.

What they aren't happy about is a perceived ultimatum of 'do-or-I'm-through.'

Commissioners voted unanimously Monday morning to stand behind County Judge Ray Mayo in whatever decision he made regarding Richmond's request for office space at the Mitchell County Courthouse. Richmond, according to local merchants attending the meeting to voice their support for her efforts, has informed officials she would no longer be able to handle bad check duties for local businesses if her demands aren't met.

It was a situation commissioner Billy Preston -- wasn't extremely happy to find himself -- especially when he said Richmond was offered larger office space by County Judge Ray Mayo earlier but turned it down.

Commissioner
Billy Preston

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Record to debut on the web in May

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

The Colorado City Record is about to go world-wide ... on the web.

Record publisher Earl Plagens announced earlier this week he planned to launch the newspaper's new web site -- www.coloradorcord.com -- in early May, offering subscribers and on-line surfers the opportunity to keep up with Mitchell County.

"We're looking forward to bring the Colorado City Record on-line," said Plagens. "By establishing an on-line presence, we are giving

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St. Ann/St. Joseph's class ring in CIA spirit with fund-raiser

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

Determining whether Georgianna Guerra is truly the world's short giant may be tough, but finding out she has one of the biggest hearts on the planet is relatively easy.

Her deeds prove it.

Guerra, along with approximately 20 other members of the St. Ann's and St. Joseph Confirmation Class, put their hearts on display on April

2 at the St. Ann's Hall when they helped stage fund-raising dinner for Christmas In Action. The students, under the direction of Ronnie Arispe, raised more than \$800.

"It was a nice thing to do," said Guerra, a multi-sport standout at Colorado High School. "We wanted to find a way to help out the community and this was it."

The students, with the support of

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Record Photo/Tommy Wells

STUDENTS IN THE ST. ANN'S/ST. JOSEPH'S confirmation class presented Christmas In Action representative Jan Lemons (fifth from left on front row) a check for \$810 last week.

School board cancels planned May 13 election

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

The Colorado Independent School District found out Monday evening that most Americans don't like to hear: They're votes won't be counted in May.

Not because the school district won't count the votes, mind you, but because there was no need for anyone to count ballots when the election rolls around as only two candidates -- incumbents Charles Walker and Lisa Hernandez -- were the only ones to file for seats on the

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Around Town

Happy belated birthday **Donnica Fowler**. Welcome home **Staff Sgt. Zachary Anderson**. Happy birthday **Justin Goebel** (Apr. 17). Happy birthday **John Armstrong** (Apr. 17). Happy belated 18th anniversary **Tim & Helen Edwards** (Apr. 8). **Woody Anderson** enjoying a couple of days at The Masters Golf Tournament. Happy belated birthday **Alice Huff** (Apr. 11).

Obituaries

Christine Northcutt,
Colorado City

Answerline

Q. What is Hangar 25?
A. Hangar 25 is an air museum in Big Spring. The hangar was restored in the 1990s to honor the heritage of the men and women who served our country.

Briefs

will be lots of candy and prizes.

Booster Club

Booster Club for 2006-07 invite all parents to attend a booster meeting Apr. 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the C.C. Thompson Room. We will be discussing upcoming events and planning for the next year.

Bibles Available

Anyone needing a Bible should call Paul Smith at 644-3321.

Fish Fry

The House of Hope Community Church, 200 W. 17th St., will have a fish fry with all the trimmings Fri., Apr. 14th beginning at 5 p.m. Call 728-5900 for delivery.

Special Service

Primera Iglesia Bautista El Calvario, 1635 Walnut, will have Resurrection Day services Sun., Apr. 16th. Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. with worship beginning at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Lake Levels

(as of Apr. 11, 2006)

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Down 3.15'

Lake Champion...2041.76'

Full at 2083'

Down 41.24'

Levels courtesy of United States Geological Service

LOCAL NEWS

OBITUARIES

Christine Northcutt

1916-2006

Mrs. Christine Northcutt, age 89, a lifelong resident of Mitchell County, died Fri., Apr. 7, 2006, in a local care center. Services were held Sunday at the New Life Bible Ministries with her son, Rev. Ken Northcutt officiating. Burial followed in the Colorado City Cemetery, under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Northcutt was born October 2, 1916 in Mitchell County to Obie and Olga Myrtle Luten Bolin. She married Shorty Northcutt on July 13, 1935, at the Spade Methodist Church. He preceded her in death on July 20, 1994. After their marriage, she moved to the Rennerbrook, Spade Ranch, where she became proficient in riding and roping. She won five saddles and many awards in rodeo performances. She was also selected Rode Queen and was a sponsor for Mitchell County in rodeos around the region. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church where she was a longtime pianist for church functions.

She is survived by two sons, Bob and wife, Charla Northcutt and Ken and wife, Sue Northcutt, all of Colorado City; a brother, J.K. and wife, Ruth Bolin of Austin; a sister, Jo Todd of Odessa; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild and a host of friends.

She is also preceded in death by three brothers, Jesse Bolin, Robert Bolin and Dale Bolin; and a sister, Sarah Anderson.

City unveils allocations for hotel/motel funds

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

All got some, but few got all. That was the message Colorado City City Manager Paul Catoe delivered to organizations Tuesday evening in regard to their bid for funding through the hotel/motel tax.

Catoe announced the city would be distributing \$32,232 to local groups, including \$20,000 to the Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce to help upgrade the conditions of several tourism-related signs.

With the allocation of the hotel/motel funds -- which are designed to be used to promote Colorado City -- Catoe said his office was forced to make some tough choices.

"It wasn't easy but we did the best we could," he said.

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precincts reporting at 9:30 p.m., Darby held a sizeable lead. He had accumulated nearly a 1,500 vote advantage en route to winning more than 60 percent of the vote.

Campbell and Darby were forced into a run-off when neither managed to gain the required number of votes to win the Republican primary. Former candidate Kevin Housley also ran in the primary, but cast his support to Darby after being eliminated.

The campaign between the two

In addition to the chamber, Catoe indicated several other entities were to receive funding, including the Colorado City Antiques Association and the Boer Goat Cook-Off. The CCAA will receive \$1,000, while the Boer Goat festival will be given \$2,000.

Other groups receiving funds include The Heart of West Texas Museum (\$4,000), The July 4 Fly-In (\$500), the annual Menudo Cook-Off (\$2,150), the Mitchell County Reunion (\$350), the Fire-fighter's Burn-Out (\$500) and the Colorado City Main Street program (\$2,000).

With the allocation of the funds, the city will still maintain approximately \$8,000 in hotel/motel tax reserves.

In all, Catoe said local entities had requested more than \$45,000 in funding.

Despite increases, city votes to continue dredging work

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

Despite the growing cost associated with dredging Lone Wolf Creek in Ruddick Park, members of the Colorado City City Council voted Tuesday to push forward with attempts to remove silt from the creek bed -- as long as it doesn't exceed \$25,000.

"To stop now would be to stop the project before it is completed," said City Manager Paul Catoe, noting the city had already spent in excess of \$20,000 on labor, permits and biologists. "We need to keep moving forward."

The estimated cost of the project, which is being done by Lone Wolf Resources, was originally set to cost less than \$15,000. Recent rain delays, larger silt deposits than expected and other woes have delayed the project by several weeks.

Those delays, Catoe said,

have caused the price of the project to soar. Lone Wolf Resources officials submitted a bill for work completed to the city council on Tuesday saying the current price tag was \$15,538.

To complete the project, LWR has estimated it would need approximately 11 additional days -- billed at \$1,128 per day -- to finish dredging the segment of creek and to remove the temporary dam.

"I don't like it any more than anyone else," said Catoe. "But to stop at this point when we are about half way through would not be good."

City council members voted, however, that Lone Wolf Resources would have to stop work on the project if, and when, it reached the \$25,000 mark.

Lone Wolf Resources' newest estimate for completing the project came in at approximately \$29,332.

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school board, making the time and cost of conducting an election pointless.

Board members voted unanimously to accept paperwork certifying both Walker and Hernandez faced no opposition in the election, and to cancel the May 13 school board election.

With the order to cancel the election, Walker and Hernandez were automatically returned to their seats on the CISD board of trustees. Both have served multiple terms with the district.

CISD is the latest Mitchell

RECORD

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our readers a way to keep up with their friends and relatives here when they aren't able to pick up a printed copy of the paper, and giving our advertisers an additional way to reach customers all over the world."

The Record web site will contain brief summaries of the major stories in each edition of the printed copies, as well as helping local readers keep abreast of breaking news by offering brief updates on events happening throughout Mitchell County. The site will also offer subscribers the opportunity to view an online version of the classified ads, as well as obituaries, society news, sports news and other items.

CLASS

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several people throughout the community, have held the fund-raiser for the CIA organization in each of the past four years, raising in excess of \$2,000.

"When we started, we just wanted to make the \$300 donation the church had been giving, but the community has shown so much support for the young men and women, that this year they raised \$810."

CIA representative Jan Lemons, who was presented the class' check last week, was overwhelmed with the students support and community involvement.

"You can't say enough about them," she said. "They're absolutely amazing."

Arispe, who credited numerous people for their efforts -- including his wife and Felix Franco Sr., who provided the Chili Colorado -- said the fund-raiser also helped the students become productive, and positive, forces in the community.

"These are great people to be around," he said. "We always tell them to get involved, and to be the type of person that when you show up to something, everyone

Big Givers

Members of St. Ann's/St. Joseph's Confirmation class raised more than \$800 for Christmas in Action on April. Below is a list of class members.

Mary Alice Hernandez
Marina Arispe
Lucas Martinez
Lucas Salazar
Diego Albarran
Georgianna Guerra
Alyssa Martinez
Isabel Ventura
Kenny Esquivel
Catherine Dolan
Ryan Graham
Greg Rodriguez
Armando Flores
Julian Leija
Orlando Moreno
Simon Reyna
Ricky Davila
Javier Acevedo

goes 'hey, guess who's here,' instead of the one people see and say 'Guess who showed up.'"

Lemons said the funds raised through the class effort will be used to purchase materials to repair homes for needy individuals within the community.

Thank you.

To all the volunteers and supporters who helped in the campaign--

To all voters who participated in the primary and the runoff elections--

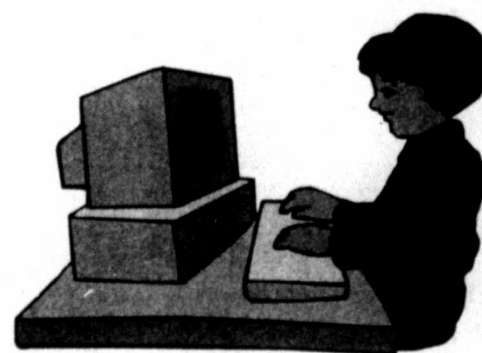
Thank you for being part of the democratic process.

God bless you. God bless Texas.

Drew Darby

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LOCAL NEWS

SPACE

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"I'm not saying Kay shouldn't have a larger office or be in the courthouse," said Preston, noting the JP had been offered a larger facility in one of the county's other facilities earlier. "But the space she wants isn't available."

"Now, all of a sudden, she wants this space. It's hard to manufacture a room. The judge says we don't have space. We all unanimously voted him to be in charge of the courthouse and if he says there isn't any space, I believe him. I, personally, won't override his decision."

"The problem with this is she

had plenty of room until the auditor moved," Preston said. "Then she comes and says if you don't give me this, I won't collect the checks. I don't like that at all," he added.

Richmond, who said county officials attempted to move her from her current office in the courthouse in 2004, said the increase in her workload made it necessary for her to have more space — and that relocating to the office formerly held by JP Glen-da Halton made sense, since the space was already connected by a door to her current office.

"When I first went into collecting hot checks, I didn't have any foresight that I would need more space," she said. "We do now. We're putting files under desks and on the floor. It's not the way things should be done."

That problem, however, is the office space the JP wants has already been given to others, Mayo said.

Richmond, who did not attend Monday's meeting but did present her case to commissioners at their previous meeting, said she didn't have any immediate plans to stop collecting bad checks, but

that she did find it strange that she had to ask commissioners for a larger space when the county's other JP was given a larger office area.

"I think it's odd that I have to go before the commissioner's court to request more space," she said. "JP Halton wasn't required to do so."

Richmond said she refused the county's bid to relocate her to a larger office at the annex in 2004 because her duties were primarily centered in the courthouse, and because of its relative closeness to the Mitchell County Sheriff's Office.

"There was an attempt to move me in 2004," she said. "I refused it because the courthouse is in my precinct, plus most of the cases I have to deal with come through the sheriff's office which is close by. It wouldn't have made sense for me to move and make it harder."

Mayo, noting Richmond has done a tremendous job collecting on bad checks, said he would love to accommodate the JP's needs, but there wasn't any substantial office space available in the courthouse, nor did he feel the county should order any current tenant to vacate an office to create space.

"We have never done that in the past," said Mayo. "That would not be right to force someone to move because someone else wanted their space. We have the authority to do that, but we haven't done that in the past and we aren't going to start now."

"I'm sorry there's not enough

space, but this building was built in 1923 and it wasn't designed to hold those type of offices. We have to make do with what we have. We wish there were enough (space) for everybody, but the fact of the matter is there isn't."

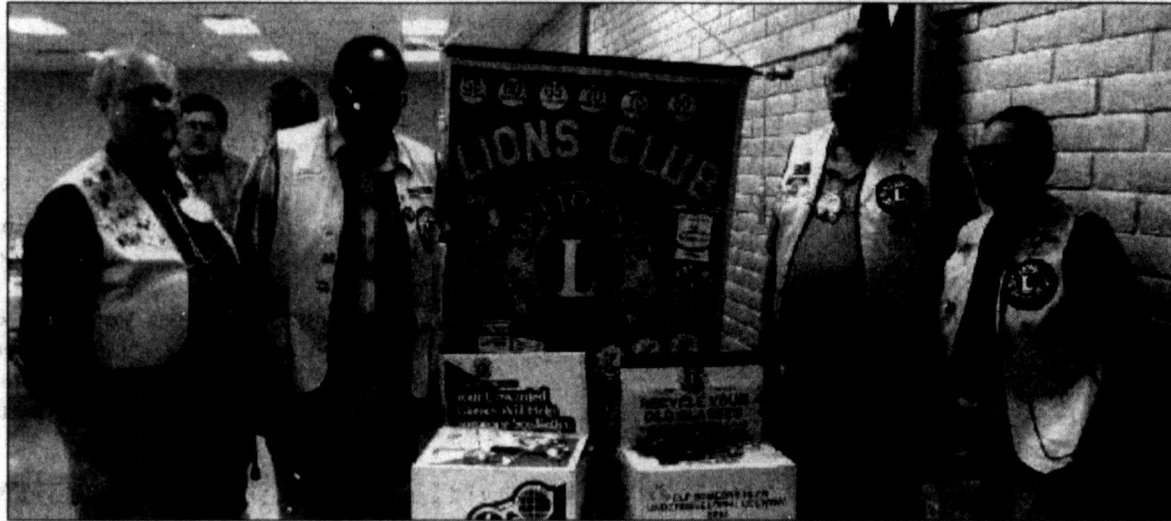
Richmond, who ran unopposed in the last election, assumed the duties of helping local businesses pursue insufficient checks a few years ago and, by all opinions, had made a dramatic difference in helping reduce the number of bad checks.

"She has done a great job for us," said Rick Alvarez, the manager of Fuller Foods. "To me, you don't give her enough support. She should be in the courthouse. A judge should be in the courthouse."

Alvarez, one of several local businessmen speaking on behalf of the JP and asking for Mayo to make room for Richmond in the courthouse, said Richmond's efforts have had a positive effect on the community as a whole by allowing businesses to prosper — and thereby have more funds to donate to various endeavors.

"Every dollar you take away from a store, it's that much less it can give," said Alvarez, who estimated the JP collected about \$40,000 a year in insufficient check collections for local entities. "I have great owners who let me do things in the community. But I would hate for it (the old way of collecting on bad checks) to go back to the way it was. I want it to stay the way it is."

"She (Richmond) has done a great job for us," he said.



Record Photo/Tommy Wells

MEMBERS OF THE COLORADO CITY Lions Club display some of the more than 200 eyeglasses they collected locally during a drive last month. Members show are (left to right) Robert Brookshear, David Woods, Frank Brownfield and J.O. Dockery.

Lions net over 200 glasses during drive

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

Members of the Colorado City Lions took a huge step toward helping those in need of vision help last weekend when they turned in more than 200 used eyeglasses as part of its annual drive.

Lions Club member J.O. Dockery said local residents had contributed 213 eyeglasses during the club's recent two-week campaign. The Lions Club, an international service organization, collects used eyeglasses through the United States and the world each year to be refurbished and distributed to needy persons in third-world countries.

"We appreciate everyone who helped out," said Dockery, noting Lions Club members would still accept any unwanted or used glasses. "There's a lot more glasses out there and we have people who need them. Just call us and we'll come and pick them up. There are people who can use

old, unwanted glasses."

The local Lions Club completed a two-week eyeglasses drive last week. Drop-off boxes for

people wishing to donate their old glasses were placed at both the City National Bank and First National Bank.

U.S. must learn from Iraq war

By Clifford May

At this moment, focus on the present. Right now, there are three reasons the United States needs to be in Iraq. The most important: to fight al-Qaida, the leader of the global militant Islamist movement, the sworn enemy of America and freedom. Wherever al-Qaida is, Americans must be there, too — with weapons at the ready. And without question, al-Qaida's most lethal units are in Iraq, commanded by Abu Musab Al-Zarqawi.

A secondary reason: to do what we can to help prevent the people of that country from again being enslaved and slaughtered by tyrants. Yes, that has proven to be a tougher mission than imagined, much more difficult than toppling Saddam Hussein. "Yes, we did indeed underestimate the ferocity and ruthlessness of the jihadists in Iraq," said author Christopher Hitchens. "Where, one might inquire, have we not underestimated those forces and their virulence?"

That brings us to a third largely unspoken reason we must stay in Iraq: to learn. The U.S. military is exquisitely equipped to fight last century's wars. We shed much blood teaching ourselves to overcome German tanks and Japanese kamikazes; we spent much treasure deterring Soviet nuclear missiles. Inconveniently, however, our enemies now fight with improvised explosive devices, suicide bombers, butcher knives, lies and videotape. They will use weapons of mass destruction should they get their hands on them.

If America's military fails to master the art and science of post-modern warfare in Iraq, there can be only two choices: Learn on the next battlefield (Jordan? Afghanistan? Lebanon?), or don't bother to learn at all; instead, get used to the taste of retreat and defeat.

For a moment, focus on the past — which appears to be changing. Retired Marine Gen. Bernard E. Trainor and longtime Pentagon reporter Michael R. Gordon report in *The New York Times* that Iraq's top generals believed Saddam retained an arsenal of WMD and were shocked when told that such weapons would not be available in the event of an American invasion.

What happened to Saddam's VX nerve gas and anthrax? Bill Tierney, a former U.N. weapons inspector, Arabic speaker and translator for the FBI, obtained 12 hours of taped conversations

of Saddam that had been confiscated in Iraq after the invasion. Tierney's analysis is that Saddam did rebuild his WMD after the first gulf war, did intend to give them to terrorists to use against the Americans, but, at some point, secretly poured his chemical weapons into lakes and rivers while shipping other stocks over the border to Syria.

In other words, President Bush did not "lie." Rather, he relied on what then-CIA Director George Tenet told him — that it was a "slam dunk" that Saddam retains stockpiles of WMD. And that appraisal was likely based in part on what even Saddam's generals believed to be the truth.

Sunday is the third anniversary of the American liberation of Iraq. Al-Qaida terrorists and Saddam loyalists have challenged Americans in such places as Fallujah and Tal Afar. Americans fought and won. The terrorists have bombed and beheaded hundreds of civilians. Americas have stood their ground. Now the anti-Iraq forces are attempting to foment a civil war figuring Americans will not want to take sides or get caught in the middle.

"We can expect the enemy will try again," to pit Iraqis against one another, Bush said recently in remarks to the foundation for the Defense of Democracies in Washington. "They will continue to sow violence and destruction designed to stop the emergence of a free and democratic Iraq."

Bush added "The battle lines in Iraq are clearly drawn for the world to see, and there is no middle ground. The enemy will emerge from Iraq one of two ways: emboldened or defeated."

For a moment, focus on the future: American cannot afford to again embolden its enemies as it did in Beirut in 1983 and Somalia in 1993 and in other places at other times. American cannot afford to leave Iraq with Zarqawi in any condition to claim credit for the departure. The reality and the perception must be that American military and intelligence forces have mastered the skills necessary to defeat their 21st-century enemies.

While no one can guarantee that freedom and human rights will prevail in a united Iraq, history should record that Americans did everything in their power to achieve that outcome.

Clifford D. May is president of the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies, a policy institute focusing on terrorism.

Media coverage is the nation's real injustice

Editor:

Each morning as President bush takes a swig of Pepto-Bismol to prepare for his daily intelligence briefing on a world on the brink of self-destruction, our illustrious press is chasing down yet another scoop story of ominous magnitude about the latest missing blonde girl, happenings at Jacko's Neverland Ranch or the vice president's hunting accident.

In the case of the vice president, the press was severely disappointed to find out that only birds were counted among the dead and that the wounded man actually apologized for inconveniencing the Cheney family. I often hear zealous red-blooded Americans say that they would die to defend our nation's freedom of speech.

Personally, I wouldn't take a paper cut for our present-day American press; they are the enemy from within. The report aberrations like the abuse of prisoners and broadcast to the world disproportionate accounts of our troops' worst indiscretions.

They are hell bent upon holding our troops accountable for having the audacity to fight terrorists and remove dictators from power.

Of course, the great irony in all this is that the press wouldn't have any of its freedoms unless American servicemen shed blood on battlefields for the past 230 years.

While our nation's press has historically been rightly suspicious of our government's actions and sought to report such actions accurately, our present-day press is nothing more than a school of piranhas in a money-driven feeding frenzy trying to scoop reporters from the other 1,000 media outlets by satiating the voracious appetite of the news cycle by providing another conspiracy theory about the evils of the Bush administration.

Quaint ideas like innocence until proven guilty, getting facts straight and double-checking sources are from a bygone era.

It is truly tragic to think that in the press' effort to destroy the Bush administration for causing everything from Hurricane Katrina to a bad hair day, they have never thought once about the welfare of American troops, their own country or what it must be like for President bush to be responsible for the protection of 300 million Americans as he lays his head on his pillow each night.

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Submitted by Bill and Doris McClellan from the San Angelo Standard-Times

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OPINION & COMMENTARY

TUMBLEWEED SMITH A Night at the Hangar Hotel

Some pilot friends told me about the Hangar Hotel at the airport in Fredericksburg. They raved about it, said it was one of the nicest surprises they had ever seen. So on a recent trip to South Texas I made sure I spent a night at the Hangar Hotel.

It looks like a World War Two hangar, but it was built from the ground up just two years ago. It still looks brand new. When you walk into the lobby area, you have the feeling you've stepped into a 1940s officer's barracks. Old radios and telephones are displayed on tables. The telephones look like they are dial, but they are actually push button, modern phones.

All rooms have mahogany king beds with high quality king size mattresses. The sheets are made of Egyptian cotton and are ironed daily. The chairs are covered in bomber jacket leather.

The hotel is owned by Richard Estenson, a former NASA engineer who was tired of going to airports that had a few if any accommodations for pilots. He has been a developer since leaving NASA and moved to Fredericksburg to raise his two daughters. He and his family live on a ranch just outside of town. He has enjoyed living in the hill country. He bought an old building in downtown Fredericksburg and turned it into a brewery and restaurant.

About the hotel, Richard says, "I like to do things a little different, things that haven't been done by anyone else. To my knowledge there's nothing that's been done like this."

The 50-room two-story hotel is just a part of Estenson's holdings at the airport. He has also built a diner and conference center. A nightclub with a pacific theme is due to open in the spring.

"Pilots can taxi as close as a foot away from the diner, hotel or conference center," says Richard. "I've gone to a lot of places to research the shape of the old hangars, and see how they are built. The diner adjacent to us was also researched, primarily in the northeast where diners are quite common."

You don't have to be a pilot to stay there. "Only about 35 percent of the guests fly in. The rest are people who like aviation or enjoy something different or appreciate the quality and luxury that we offer. From the exterior, it doesn't appear to have the luxury it has."

An officers' club off the lobby has a full service bar, fireplace, grand piano, wireless internet, huge TV, pool table and comfortable chairs. An observation deck allows guests to see planes landing and departing. The price of a room is about a third of what you would expect to pay. I'll go back to the Hangar Hotel.



Things you learn as the children multiply

When it comes to children, She-Who-Must-Not-Be-Made-Mad and I are like drug addicts. We have these problems that just won't go away. Four of them to be exact.

They wake up every morning in terrible moods, cause school officials to call us at all hours of the day, and general rearrange everything this side of Jupiter every day.

We've managed to survive all of this - and the permanent visitation of two daughters - quite well. I still have all my fingers and toes and She-Who-Must-Not-Be-Made-Mad still has most of the hair she started out with.

I'm telling you all of this because, as you might expect, we have learned quite a few things since the doctors at Eastland Memorial Hospital began sending children to our house instead of medical bills. I figure, they knew we were going to have to pay one way or the other.

One of the biggest things we've learned is having children is a lot like washing clothes in bleach. After a while, all the fancy color is gone from the whole deal. After a while, the thrill is gone and in its place is a much more relaxed attitude.

You don't believe me, well consider this. Remember when your spouse was going to have a child? Remember how with that first child they began wearing maternity clothes as soon as they found out?

Remember when the stork came calling again ... and she wanted to wear normal clothes as long as possible.

Remember when the stork called again ... and her maternity clothes were her regular clothes.

Remember when the evil-hearted bird came by once more and you wanted to shoot him ... and your wife wanted to shoot you?

There are other instances of how parents' attitudes change, too. Like for instance how mothers expecting their first child practice breathing all the time. It was so bad at our house the first time, I thought my wife was practicing to start her own phone sex company.

By the second time, she said she wasn't going to do anything because breathing didn't do a thing for her the first. The third time,

OFF THE BEATEN PATH...

By
TOMMY WELLS
EDITOR



she asked for an epidural.

The last time we visited the Eastland hospital, she asked for a gun ... to shoot me.

And how about attitudes change toward baby clothes?

When Whitney first arrived home way back in 1988 (presumably looking for a rich boyfriend), She-Who-Must-Not-Be-Made-Mad would wash her clothes carefully, fold them nice and neat and even color coordinate them.

When Bubba came along in 1991, his clothes were clean and those with holes were thrown out. In 1993, Kayme sneaked into the house and my wife kind of figured it was okay for girls to wear blue and have a few stains and holes in their clothes.

When Bobby came a year later, we both cried.

Another thing that kind of diminishes with the arrival of every new child is the amount of worrying a parent goes through.

Every parent knows this is true. It's the old no-blood, no-foul rule. You also realize a television with a loud volume control can drown out most crying.

To be honest, when Whitney was little, She-Who-Must-Not-Be-Made-Mad was like a hyper bear. At the first sign of a frown, she would toss her in the car and race to the nearest emergency room for a complete physical.

With Bubba, she would pick him up when he started to cry. For Kayme, we simply plopped a pacifier in her mouth and gave her a pat on the hiney. When Bobby arrived, we just shut the door.

Speaking of pacifiers, when your first born made its final landing didn't you take spe-

cial care to boil it every time it fell out of his/her mouth. When the second one came along, didn't you just squirt a few times with whatever was in their bottle and then give back. What about the third child, can't you remember wiping it off on your shirt and popping that sucker right back in.

And for the fourth? A little dirt never hurt anyone, right?

Parents' habits at going out also change when the number of kids begin to increase. With the first baby, whenever She and I went out, my wife would call the babysitter every 32.7 seconds to make sure Whitney was okay. With the second, we left a phone number where the babysitter could call us.

With the third, we left instructions to call us only if there was blood.

With the fourth, we said call us only if it is apparent the babysitter is about to die.

Let's you think I'm being a typical man, all the changes in attitudes aren't felt by the male. Not even clothes.

Remember how your spouse would spend most of the day staring at and playing with the first baby. Remember when she spent a bit of every day making sure the first wasn't hitting the second? Remember when the third and fourth came along and she spent most of her day hiding from the kids?

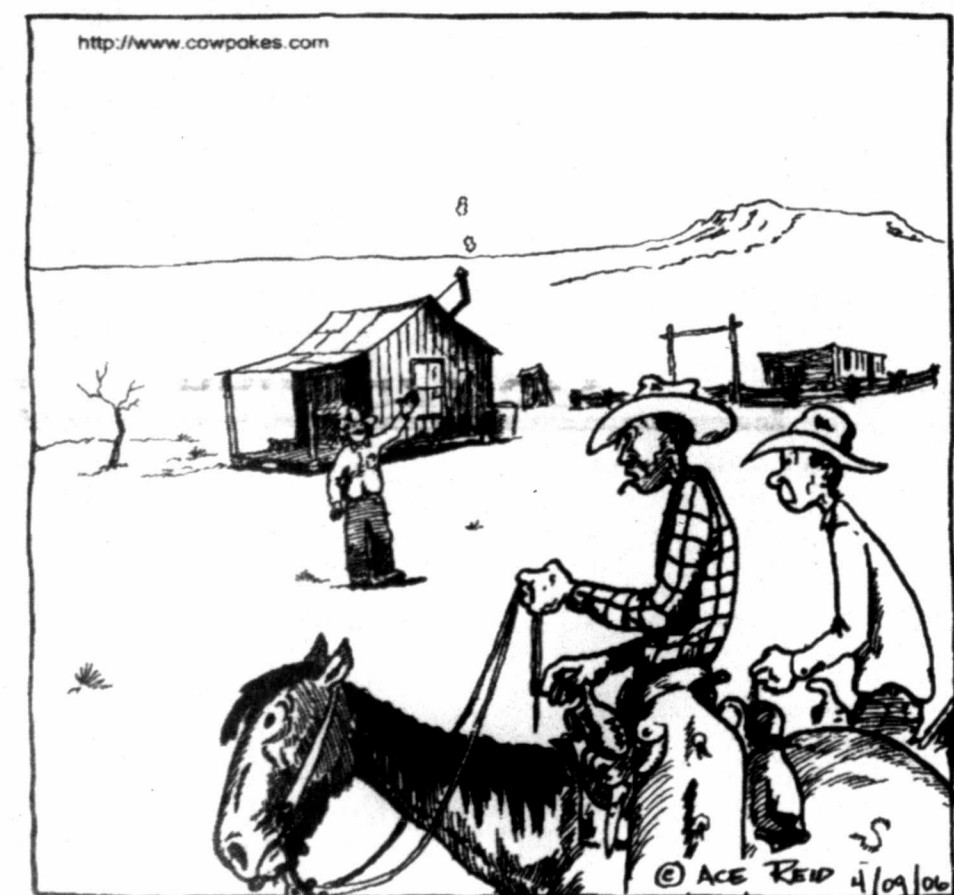
I just want you to know, I am/was the best hider in our family. I could vanish for three days in a room that contained nothing but white paint. All you youngsters that don't have more than one child, don't worry. It's a skill that comes with time.

Finally, the last major way attitudes change is how parents deal with children that put coins in their mouth and inadvertently swallow them.

With the first child, you rush them to the hospital to make sure everything will be okay. With the second, you wait and make sure they pass. With the third, you accelerate the whole process with a heavy dose of X-Lax.

Finally, when the fourth - or Heaven forbid, even more arrive - you simply deduct it from their allowance.

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POLICE REPORT

On Mon., Apr. 3 at 1:42 p.m., a subject in the 400 block of Hickory reported someone had forged some of his checks. Case is under investigation.

On Mon., Apr. 3 at 3:43 p.m., a complainant in the 1400 to 1500 block of Westpoint reported that his cell phone had been lost. Information was taken.

On Wed., Apr. 5 at 8:23 a.m., two females on S. Hwy. 208 were cited for disorderly conduct and released.

On Wed., Apr. 5 at 9:48 p.m., a 36-year-old female subject was arrested in the 100 block of I-20 for 10 outstanding warrants in Mitchell Co. and one warrant out of Nolan County - all Issuance of Bad Checks.

On Wed., Apr. 5 at 9:54 p.m., a complainant in the 2100 block of S. 208 reported the window was broken out of her pickup. This case is under investigation.

On Thurs., Apr. 6, a complainant in the 700 block of Austin reported that a doghouse had been stolen. This case is under investigation.

On Fri., Apr. 7 at 1:10 a.m., a 30-year-old female in the 900 block of Rusk reported she was assaulted by a family member. The 29-year-old male subject was arrested and transported to Mitchell County Jail. The case has been referred to the Mitchell County Attorney.

On Fri., Apr. 7 at 2:39 p.m., a store manager in the 2000 block of Hickory reported receiving bad checks. Case was referred to Mitchell County Attorney.

On Sat., Apr. 8, a 30-year-old female was arrested in the 900 block of Rusk for Monahans warrant, theft by check, and transported to Mitchell County Sheriff's Office.

On Sat., Apr. 8 at 6:00 a.m., a 20-year-old male was arrested on N. Hwy. 208 for public intoxication and transported to Mitchell County Sheriff's Office.

On Sat., Apr. 8 at 12:05 p.m., on responding to a call of another nature, office discovered drug paraphernalia. This case is under investigation.

On Sat., Apr. 8 at 2:03 p.m., a female complainant in the 1100 block of Chestnut reported that two of her tires had been slashed. Case is under investigation.

On Sat., Apr. 8 at 7:03 p.m., a 20-year-old male was arrested in the 900 block of Chestnut for driving while license invalid and transported to Mitchell County Sheriff's Office.

On Sun., Apr. 9 at 1:15 a.m., a subject in the 300 block of 6th St. reported being assaulted by a family member. Another agency was contacted.

On Sun., Apr. 9 at 5:30 p.m. a complainant in the 900 block of Rusk reported someone obtained a credit card without permission by using complainant's personal information.

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LOCAL NEWS



Record Photo/Tommy Wells
MITCHELL COUNTY LIBRARIAN Nancy Mayo and Gateway Family Services' Anita Goodger stand by a display that appears in the county library announcing April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Information on numerous programs on sexual assault is available at the library.

Commissioners vote to seek bids in effort to maintain pavement

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

The Mitchell County Commissioners Court found itself in a Catch-22 situation Monday morning when it came to seal coating. Do they wait and hope the roads and parking lots survive the upcoming summer and fall, or do they bite the bullet and make sure they survive.

The commissioners decided to take the bullet.

"Pavement is an expensive

thing," said commissioner Carl Guelker. "You have to maintain it or it will get even costlier to replace it. Sometimes you just have to dig deep and spend the money."

Commissioners voted unanimously to seek bids on approximately 8 miles of seal coating to protect the roads and parking lots. In addition to local roads, the county also voted to apply the protective layer to the courthouse parking lot, the Annex

II parking lot and the parking facility at the Mitchell County Sports Complex.

Bids for the seal coating process will be opened at the commissioner's May 8 meeting.

County commissioners also took no action in regard to an opening on the Mitchell County Appraisal District board of directors. The commissioners were not required to act to fill a vacancy created when Westbrook representative Paul Johnson resigned.

Loraine to hold 'Clean-Up Day' on April 22

The City of Loraine will get a whole lot cleaner next week. At least that is what city officials are hoping as they head into the annual city-sponsored "Clean-Up Day" on April 22.

"We always have a spring clean-up," said Loraine City Sec-

retary Connie Harshaw. "It's a way the city to help our citizens to get rid of unwanted items and appliances, especially since we don't have a landfill here. A lot of people don't have access to ways to get things to the landfill, and this makes it possible for them to do that and get some spring cleaning done."

As part of the "Clean-Up Day" activities, city employees will place four roll-off dumpsters at the lot located northwest of the United States Post Office for

Loraine residents to place grass clippings, trash items and small tree limbs in. Residents utilizing the dumpsters will need to bring a current water bill from the City of Loraine prior to dumping.

Harshaw said the city would not be accepting old batteries or tires at the dumpster sites.

In addition to making the dumpsters available for small items and grass clippings, city employees will be collecting old, unwanted appliances and metal items north of the dumpsters.

CISD may offer summer school classes to its needy students

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

Get ready to ring the bell again. Summer school may be returning to Colorado City.

Saying a summer school program could help some students make up a missed credit or to meet graduation requirements, Colorado Independent School District officials unanimously approved a plan that could reintroduce a summer school program beginning this May. The month-long session, if it draws enough interest, will enable students to take classes to make up credits in several subjects.

"This is a service to some of our students that, for whatever reason, need a credit," said CISD Superintendent Jim White, noting the district had not offered summer school for several years. "It will save them \$3 a gallon in gas and from having to go to Snyder or Big Spring."

Colorado High School principal Jeremy Ross, who is setting up the computer-assisted instruction with Wallace Principal Melinda Alexander, said the summer school course would only be held if, at least, 15 CISD students signed up to participate. The session will cost \$130 per student.

The summer school program will not be available to students at the Westbrook and Loraine.

According to a CISD survey, the \$130 price for the summer school course falls into the middle of what most summer-based educational programs cost.

Alexander, who said many of her students at Wallace had shown an interest, said the summer school program could be expanded to up to three sessions, including an evening session, if the demand required it.

In the proposal submitted to school board members, English I-IV, World Geography, U.S. History, World History, Spanish I and Spanish II, Government and Economics will be offered. Algebra I, Algebra II, IPC and Biology will be offered as a recovery credit only with teacher approval. Students will be required to complete coursework using the Odyssey Learning Computer Curriculum.

Assuming the required number

of students commit, the summer session will begin May 30 and run through June 23.

In other action Monday, school board members approved the resignation of Hutchinson Elementary teach Tia Matlock, and approved an overnight trip by the CHS One Act Play to Abilene for the district competition. They also gave their consent for the Colorado High School National Honor Society to travel to San Antonio on May 12-13.

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Riders' to host their annual car show on May 13

The C-C Riders' annual Car Show & Sonic Cruise will return to the local scene in May when car enthusiasts from throughout West Texas return. The show is scheduled to get under way on May 13 at the Old Railroad Building in downtown Colorado City.

The car show awards ceremony will be held at 3 p.m. The cruise show awards will be announced at 7 p.m. at Sonic Drive-In.

For registration information contact Scott Free at (325) 728-2122 or (325) 242-0929 or Deacon Magill at (325) 728-3118.

Wet roads may have led to wreck

By Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

Texas Department of Public Safety officials have indicated wet road conditions are likely to blame for a deadly head-on collision between two 18-wheelers last month. The rain-slick roads likely caused an 18-wheeler driven by Albert Singletary Jr., 52, to go out of control on Interstate 20 near the Highway 208 exit and collide with a truck driven by Clifton Fisher Jr., 33, on March 18.

The drivers of two 18-wheelers died at approximately 4:40 p.m. when their vehicles were involved in a fiery collision that briefly closed the eastbound lane of I-20. Both trucks burst into flames after the crash.

DPS officials said Singletary, pulling an empty trailer used to transport asphalt, lost control of his 18-wheeler while traveling westbound. His vehicle crossed into the median just before the exit to Highway 208 and veered into the path of a tractor-trailer driven by Fisher.

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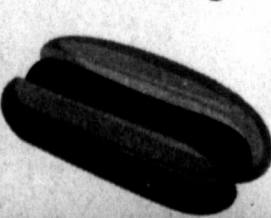


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Engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Don Dawson of Westbrook are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Megan Brook Dawson of Lubbock to Andrew Lord of Hobbs, New Mexico.

Miss Dawson is the granddaughter of Frances Grisham and the late Eldon Grisham, Edith Dawson and the late L.M. Dawson and the late Lou Landeros, all of Colorado City.

Mr. Lord is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Joslin of Hobbs, New Mexico. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harman of Nikiski, Alaska, and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Joslin of Hobbs, New Mexico.

The wedding will take place on Sat., May 27, 2006, at the home of the bride-elect's parents in Westbrook.

1st Baptist Church youth advance to state Bible Drill

The youth at First Baptist Church in Colorado City participates each year in Bible Drill. The children learn the books of the Bible, 25 Bible verses, ten key Bible passages, information about the Bible and how to find a verse in ten seconds.

Fourth, fifth and sixth graders are eligible to compete in church area and state levels. This year the fourth to six grade girls have advanced to the state competition which will be held Apr. 21st at First Baptist Church in Abilene. Krista Stubblefield is their teacher.

The younger children, first, second, third and fourth graders, are currently learning along with the older youth. On Mar. 22nd, the younger crew demonstrated to their congregation all they have learned so far. Their teacher is Jean Edwards.

JOY Sunday School class holds meeting

The JOY Sunday School class of Westbrook Baptist Church met on Friday night to celebrate April birthdays. Everyone enjoyed the meal and fellowship.

Those attending were: Ruby Chambers, Marcell Moody, Naomi Williamson, Irene Edwards, Betty Brumley, Alma Fulton, Francis Ranne, Nell Rollins, Gladys Hayes, Judy Moore, Clola Whitesides, Blanch Bell, Drucilla Board, and special guest Edith Dawson.

Couple weds in Liberty ceremony February 25

Bari Sadler and Katie Brackin were married on February 25, 2006 in the First United Methodist Church of Liberty, TX.

Bari is the grandson of J.A. and Yvonne Sadler of Lorraine, TX and Lou Ella Byrne of Colorado City, TX.

He is the son of Mike Sadler of Lorraine, TX and Sharon Byrne of Houston, TX.

Katie is the daughter of Bill and Sherry Brackin of Liberty, TX. Bari and Katie graduated from Texas Tech University in 2002.

They currently reside in Lubbock, TX.

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Andrew Lord and Brook Dawson to wed



ADVANCING TO STATE - Bible drill students from the First Baptist Church of Colorado City are advancing to state competition. Shown with their instructor, Krista Stubblefield (left) are K'leigh Wallis, Mary Campbell, Bethany Blassingame and Casie Lemons.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BIBLE DRILL students in the first through fourth grades, taught by Jean Edwards (back row) are (left to right) Shania Mayberry, Sam Campbell, Samantha Meeks, Jonathan Blassingame and Conner Hickson.



Mrs. Bari Sadler

AG NEWS

To scalp or not to scalp, that is the question

By John R. Senter,
Mitchell CEA-Ag

As we approach the first green up of our spring time lawns, there is a question that has surfaced over the last couple of seasons and addressing the problem appears to be in order. That age-old question of lawn scalping. Scalping is defined as the removal of an excessive quantity of leaf tissue at any one mowing. Remember, that this approach will often times leave a stubby, brown appearance to your lawn and if that bothers you then you may skip this part. Scalping is usually not recommended for warm season turf grasses during the active growing season or prior to winter dormancy, it can however, be beneficial in late winter or early spring.

Benefits of this cultural practice can include: earlier spring green up, control of some winter and annual broadleaf weeds and removal of some debris that can contribute to thatch accumulation. It is thought that scalping warm season grasses, just prior to spring green up, is a good way to not only remove old plant material but also expose the soil to sunlight to warm the soil for a more rapid green up. To properly approach scalping, lower your mower setting to about one inch high and begin mowing. Take caution not to overdo on lawns with heavy thatch accumulation, this could result in injury to "runners" that may be located in the upper portion of the thatch layer.

Scalping creates a large amount of debris so it will be necessary, to use a bag attachment on your mower, or rake the debris and remove it. However, do not haul this material off to the landfill - it makes an excellent addition to your compost pile and can add value to this type of homemade fertilizer. Scalping can be a great

cultural practice to help produce a strong lawn, but you must use caution and time this approach wisely or you can create more harm than good.

While we are on the subject of lawn care - how long has it been since you checked your lawn mower blades? This is one practice that is very often overlooked but can be extremely important. Dull blades will not only cause your lawn to look unattractive but can also place stress on your grass as well. Grass mowed with a dull blade will have splintered or



John Senter

jagged leaf tips and can also be a point of entry for small insects or disease pathogens.

Take time to inspect your mower blades. If you find them in terrible shape then replace them. If they are in working shape then have them sharpened. If you are not comfortable doing this yourself, a repair shop or professional can help. Take time to care for your lawn care equipment - your lawn will show its appreciation by an improved and healthier appearance.

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SCHOOL NEWS



STUDENTS OF THE week at Hutchinson Elementary are Rainne Ruddick, Taylor Griffith and Christian Melendez.

Students of the week named at Hutchinson

Students of the Week have been named at Hutchinson Elementary. They are Rainne Ruddick, Taylor Griffith and Christian Melendez.

Rainne, daughter of Keith Ruddick and Shannon Tubb, is a third grader in Mrs. Partin's class. She likes to read Boxcar Children books, and she has a dog named

Spot. Science is her favorite subject. P.E. is her favorite thing about Hutchinson.

Taylor, a fourth grader in Mrs. Matlock's class, is the daughter of Mike and Kaci Griffith. She enjoys playing softball as a hobby, and science is her favorite subject. Being able to spend time with her

friends is her favorite thing about her school.

Christian, son of Aurora Melendez, is a fifth grader in Mrs. Stone's class. He collects Yugio cards, and P.E. is his favorite thing about Hutchinson. Science and math are his favorite subjects.

Aim for Success to be presented to CMS, CHS students

The students in Colorado Middle and High Schools will attend a program entitled Aim for Success in the middle school cafeteria in the near future. Aim for Success is a nationally acclaimed education organization and the largest provider of sexual abstinence programs in the nation. These programs cover the risks of teenage pregnancy, the epidemic of sexually transmitted diseases, the pain of emotional scars and much more.

Kelly Morris new member of NSHSS

The National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS) recently announced that Colorado High School student Kelly Morris has been selected for membership. The society recognizes the top scholars in the nation and invites only those students who have achieved superior academic excellence. The announcement was made by NSHSS Founder and Chairman Claes Nobel, senior member of the Nobel Prize family.

Membership in NSHSS entitles qualified students to enjoy a wide variety of benefits, including scholarship opportunities, academic competitions, free events, member-only resources, publications, participation in programs offered by educational partners, online forums, personalized recognition items, and publicity honors.

The program will be presented to all interested parents on Apr. 25th at 6:30 p.m. in the Colorado Middle School Cafeteria.

The program will be presented to CMS students in two groups on Apr. 26th from 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Local high school students will attend the program also in two groups from 11:25 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

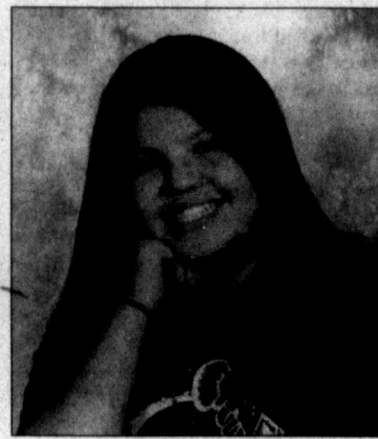
Aim for Success presented about 2500 of these health-based programs last year. Ninety percent of those programs were in public schools across the nation, reaching about 200,000 students and their parents. Aim for Success has received local, state and national recognition for their work in public schools.

The parent meeting includes a

preview of the student program so you can see firsthand what the students will be hearing. This program equips parents with the tools and medical information needed to communicate effectively with their children without embarrassment. Parents learn how, when and why to talk to their children, from toddlers to teens, about sex. Aim for Success believes parents should be their children's primary sex educators, but they have found that many parents don't know how to approach this critical subject.

This is a must see event for family members, youth workers, counselors, nurses, school administrators and anyone who is concerned about teenage sexual activity in our country.

Salinas invited to talent convention



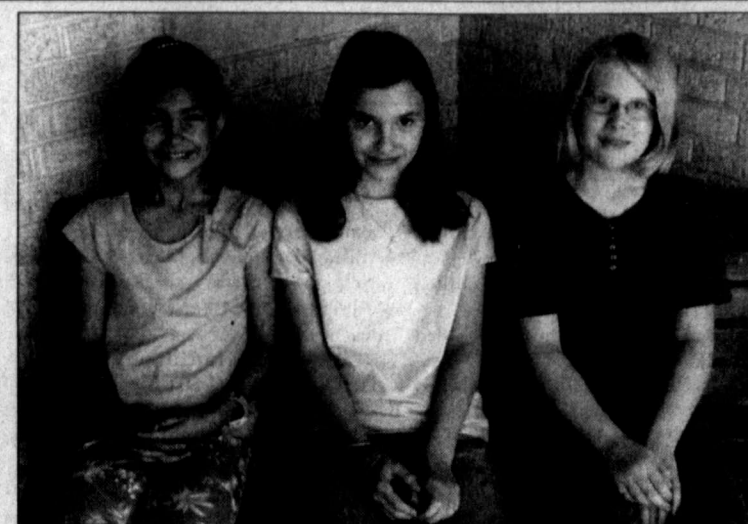
Inez Salinas

Inez Salinas, an 8th grade student at Colorado Middle School, has been selected to attend the 47th Millie Lewis American Modeling & Talent Convention (AMTC) at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort in Orlando, Florida, in January 2007.

The AMTC convention emphasizes and promotes education and excellence in the fashion arts, communications and the performing arts. It is designed to foster the careers of young men, and women interested in the entertainment industry through informative programs, seminars and scholarships, competitions, interviews and actual jobs. For further information about this convention, visit www.millielewis.com.

Inez's interest in the performing arts peaked this year when she participated in the UIL One Act Play at CMS. Under the direction and guidance of Les Anderson, Inez made the All Star Cast with her performance as a guardian angel.

To realize her dreams and to help fund her trip, Inez is searching for sponsors. In addition, she will engage in various fundraisers throughout the coming months. If you would like to be a sponsor, please give Inez a call at 737-2692.



LORAIN MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS (l to r) Madeline Gibson, Bailee Young, and Madison Edmonds recently were commended for their high performance on the reading TAKS. Not pictured is Mariah Jeffers who was also commended.

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If you have already registered your child, this is your opportunity to meet the teachers. This is the final roundup for the 2006-07 school year. With only 2 Pre-K classes, space is limited, so be sure and take this opportunity to pre-register your child. Call 644-2311 for more information.

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SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL MENUS

CISD Head Start Breakfast Menu

Apr. 17-21
Monday - dry cereal, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Tuesday - breakfast bites, chilled juice, milk.
Wednesday - yogurt, toast, chilled fruit juice, milk.
Thursday - blueberry muffins, chilled juice, milk.
Friday - sausage with toast, chilled juice, milk.

CISD Head Start Lunch

Apr. 17-21
Monday - chicken nuggets, mashed

potatoes, gravy, sweet peas, pears, milk.
Tuesday - beef and mac, glazed carrots, half slice bread, peaches, milk.
Wednesday - hot dot on a bun, pork n beans, crushed pineapple, milk.
Thursday - peanut butter & jelly sandwich, glazed carrots, applesauce, milk.
Friday - mini corn dogs, tater tots, peaches, milk.

Kelley, Hutchinson, CMS Breakfast Menu

Apr. 17-21
Monday - dry cereal with toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Tuesday - powdered French toast,

chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Wednesday - breakfast burrito, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Thursday - morning roll, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Friday - sausage with toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Kelley, Hutchinson Lunch Menu Apr. 17-21

Monday - pizza, glazed carrots, green beans, chilled fruit, choice of milk.
Tuesday - sloppy joe on bun, French fries, baked beans, chilled fruit, choice of milk.
Wednesday - beef and mac, sweet peas, tossed salad, chilled fruit, choice of milk.
Thursday - bean and cheese chulupa, tossed salad, golden corn, chilled fruit, choice of milk.
Friday - wolf burger, French fries, lettuce cup, cookies, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

CHS Breakfast Menu

Apr. 17-21
Monday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage and biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Tuesday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, egg & potato burrito, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Wednesday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Thursday - dry cereal, biscuit, biscuit & sausage, French toast sticks, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Friday - dry cereal with biscuit, sausage & biscuit, breakfast sandwich, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

CMS & CHS Lunch

Apr. 17-21

Monday - taco salad, tasty rib basket, slice of pizza, French fries, green beans, chilled fruit, choice of milk.
Tuesday - chef salad with chicken, grilled ham and cheese, birdie on a bun, glazed carrots, pickle cup, chilled fruit, choice of milk.
Wednesday - chef salad with ham, burrito with cheese, steak fingers, potato with gravy, sweet peas, hot rolls, chilled fruit, choice of milk.
Thursday - chef salad with bacon, Polish sausage on bun, soft taco, refried beans, tossed salad, chilled fruit, choice of milk.
Friday - garden salad, wolf burger, French fries, lettuce cup, peach cobbler, choice of milk.

Westbrook ISD Breakfast Menu Apr. 17-21

Monday - oatmeal, toast, cereal, fruit juice, milk.
Tuesday - sausage, bacon, biscuits, cereal, fruit juice, milk.
Wednesday - pancake pups, cereal, fruit juice, milk.
Thursday - sausage in a blanket, cereal, fruit juice, milk.
Friday - breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Westbrook ISD Lunch Menu Apr. 17-21

Monday - steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, brownies, milk.
Tuesday - barbeque on bun, scalloped potatoes, pork n beans, pickle spears, onions, fruit cup, milk.
Wednesday - pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, corn, peaches, milk.
Thursday - tacos with meat & cheese, salsa, tossed salad, Spanish rice, applesauce, milk.
Friday - cheeseburgers, French fries, salad fixings, cherry cups, milk.
Loraine ISD Breakfast Menu Apr. 17-21
Monday - cereal, toast, fruit milk.
Tuesday - bagel, fruit, milk.
Wednesday - donut, toast, juice, milk.
Thursday - cheese toast, bacon, fruit milk.
Friday - hot pockets, juice, milk.
Loraine ISD Lunch Menu Apr. 17-21
Monday - corn dog with mustard, pork n beans, tater tots, salad with dressing, pudding, milk.
Tuesday - spaghetti with meat, broccoli, sliced potatoes, garlic toast, apple, milk.

Wednesday - pizza, corn, salad with dressing, orange, milk.
Thursday - enchiladas, beans, Spanish rice, salsa, shape up, milk.
Friday - hamburgers, chips, pickles, salad, orange, rice krispy bar, milk.

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THESE FIVE HUTCHINSON students have completed the Ultimate Challenge math quiz. They have all scored perfectly on the 100 timed mixed-math facts, at least once. Taylor Griffith, Brittany Vásquez, Vanna George, Sean Williamson and Olivia Luera (l-r) are all Ultimate Challenge champs!



KELLEY HAS CLASS... The pre-kindergarten students in Miss Lancaster's class have been painting eggs with watercolors and decorating bunnies for their classroom getting ready for Easter. Students in her class are: Zeke Beltran, Justin Bolt, Omar Boone, Viviana Caballero, Omar Carrillo, Ana Espinoza, Destyni Espinoza, Ivie Green, Wanda Groehl, Crusito Hinojosa, Madison Morris, Brian Nava, Shelby Ortiz, Lilly Parras, Isaiah Quiroz, Eli Silva, Lauren Sims, Angel Solis, Joshua Sosa, Braydon Underwood, Kimberly Ventura, and Cadon Walshall. Karen Barrera and Taylor Burnett are not pictured.

Digital camera class slated at MC library

Nick Shrode will present a class on digital cameras at the Mitchell County Public Library on Mon., Apr. 17th beginning at 5:30 p.m. The class will cover what to look for when buying a digital camera. There will be helpful information on how to use digital cameras, including the functions built into the camera, getting quality pictures and uploading pictures from the camera.

Digital photography software will be covered in the class.

Everyone attending the program is welcome to bring their own camera. There will be no charge for the class, but registration is requested as space is limited. To register, call the library at 728-3968.

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The City of Colorado City will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1st, 2006 and ending on September 30th, 2006. The public hearing will be conducted on April 28, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Civic Center, which is located at 157 W. 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas. Upon completion of the public hearing, the City Council shall consider an ordinance adopting the budget for the fiscal year beginning on May 1st, 2006 and ending on September 30th, 2006. The proposed budget may be examined on weekdays at the City Hall, 180 W. 3rd, Colorado City, Texas between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. The general public is invited to attend and to ask questions or make comments regarding the City Budget for FY 2006.

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SPORTS

Sports Briefs

C-City TBL season to start April 22

The Colorado City Teen-Age Baseball League is scheduled to kick off its 2006 season on April 28 with a special Opening Day Ceremony.

C-City Wolves ranked among best in area

Several Colorado Lady Wolves and Wolves thinclads are ranked among the top 10 in the Big Country in their track events thus far this season.

Paige Newby not only has the best throw in the discus in the Big Country with a throw of 151 feet, 1 inch, she also ranks in the top 10 in the state -- regardless of classification.

Newby competed in the San Angelo All-American City Classic meet two weeks ago, finishing first with a toss of 149-2. Last Saturday she traveled to Austin to compete and was runner-up in the discus with a toss of 142-2, losing to an athlete from a Class 5-A school.

Others in the top 10 in the Big Country are Laciresha Johnson, who is sixth overall in the long jump with a leap of 16 feet, 4 1/2 inches and first in the triple jump with a mark of 35-7 3/4.

Latoya Jackson is third in the 200-meter rankings with a time of 26.4 seconds, while the CHS 400-meter relay team is ninth with a time of 52.6. Lady Wolves' 800-meter relay team is second with a time of 1:48.0.

Boys in the top 10 are Jake Marsh, who is setting in fourth in the high jump with a leap of 6 feet. Logan Boyd is in sixth in the shot put standings with a throw of 49-9 1/2, and the 1,600-meter relay team is eighth with a time of 3:36.8.

Local kids named to All-Region team

Loraine High School senior Michael Walker added another accolade to his high school basketball career with his being named to the All-Region basketball team.

Claudia Barrera, a sophomore at Loraine High, has qualified for regional in golf, scoring a 122 at the district meet last week.

The regional meet will be held on April 24 in Abilene.

Newby, Johnson, Marsh shine at Piper Relays

By Carl Graham

Colorado City Record

Colorado High School athletes turned in a solid effort this past weekend at the Piper Relays in Hamlin.

Among the CHS standouts turning more than a few heads were Paige Newby and Laciresha Johnson. Both walked away from the meet with gold medals.

Newby, one of the top prep athletes in the United States, captured first in the discus, while Johnson sailed to a victory in the triple jump and long jump.

Overall, the CHS girls rolled up 95 points at the meet.

Latoya Jackson also starred for the CHS girls' team. She placed second in the high jump.

Angela Leanos contributed eight points to the Lady Wolves' totals. She was fourth in the 1,600-meter run, and fourth in the 3,200-meter run.

The CHS relay teams did well, as well. The Lady Wolves' 400-meter relay squad took placed third, while the 800- and 1600-meter relay team finished first and sixth, respectively.

Jake Marsh highlighted the Wolves' action. He took first in the high jump and led the CHS thinclads to sixth in the final team standings.

Ray Ryan and Cody Avalos both stood out individually. Ryan took second in the shot put competition, while Avalos was third in the 400-meter dash. Teammate

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Photo courtesy Troy Hyde/Big Spring Herald

COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL standout Zane Whitesides watches his ball after teeing off during the second round of the District 4-2A golf tournament earlier this week at the Comanche Trail Golf Course in Big Spring. Whitesides helped CHS win the 2006 boys' golf championship.

Wolves capture 4-2A golf title

CHS boys, girls advance to regional meet

By Carl Graham

Colorado City Record

The Colorado High School boy's golf team can honestly say they're the best. They have a trophy to prove it.

The Wolves finished the District 4-2A two-day district golf tournament Monday by taking first place with a two-day team total of 677 -- 23 strokes better than the Anson Tigers.

Anson finished with a two-day score of 700.

After a first-round score of 73 last Thursday in Baird, Nick Edwards came back with another solid round on Monday at the Comanche Trails Golf Course. He fired a score of 85, giving him a two-round mark of 158 and earned him second in the individual medalist standings.

Senior Kenneth Scott placed fifth overall in the individual standings. He recorded rounds of 79 and 89 and finished with a final score of 168. Teammate Brik McGuffin posted rounds of 87 and 86 for a two-day total of 173 and placed sixth overall.

In the individual boy medalists standings, Wolves' standout Zach Pfeuffer hammered out a two-round score of 188, while Tanner Cox finished at 185. Brian Toombs posted a score of 206.

The top nine golfers at the event were selected to the 4-2A All-District roster

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Courtesy Photo

MEMBERS OF THE CHS boys' golf team include (from left to right) Brik McGuffin, Kenneth Scott, Zane Whitesides, Nick Edwards and Nathan McCright.



Courtesy Photo

MEMBERS OF THE CHS girls' golf team include (from left to right) Sagan Everett, Felicia Arredondo, Courtney Phariss and Brittany McKinney

Loraine prepared to welcome teams into new 'Dog Pound'

By Carl Graham

Colorado City Record

It's amazing what a little paint will do!

The new Loraine High School gymnasium finally has a new hardwood floor to replace the old concrete surface that came with the building

when it was constructed in the late 1990's.

That is good news for Loraine fans ... and all of their future opponents. The new floor will enable the Bulldogs to play varsity athletic games in the new

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Record Photo/Carl Graham

LORAIN HIGH SCHOOL'S Aurelio Guzman runs a mop over the school's new gym floor. The district spent \$100,000 on improvements to the gym, locker rooms and hallways.

Hill, CHS dumps 'Dogs'

By Carl Graham

Colorado City Record

The Colorado Lady Wolves split their two games this past week, coming from behind to defeat Stamford before dropping a tough decision to Hawley on Friday afternoon at the Mitchell County Sports Complex.

Colorado City began the week on a high note, by rallying from a huge deficit to claim a 10-5 come-from-behind victory over the Lady Bulldogs.

Stamford jumped off to an early 4-0 lead in the top of the first inning. The Lady Bulldogs managed to grind out the game's first four runs by sending eight players to the plate in their first at-bat.

Stamford added another run in the top of the second inning to go up 5-0.

The Lady Wolves managed to scratch out a run in the bottom of the second for their first run of the game.

The Lady Wolves added another run in the bottom of the third. Brittany Hill led off CHS by stroking a single into the outfield. Moments later, Page Newby hammered out a run-scoring double to pull the Lady Wolves to within three, at 5-2.

That score held up until the bottom of the sixth inning when

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Brittany Hill

Hannon nets spot in II-A track meet

By Carl Graham

Colorado City Record

BORDEN COUNTY—Westbrook High School senior Josiah Hannon qualified for the regional track meet last Friday by turning in a solid effort at the District 9-A Track Meet. Hannon became the first Mitchell County track standout to qualify for a regional meet by posting a time of 15:66 seconds in the 110-meter hurdles.

Hannon also placed third in the discus with a throw of 123 feet, 9 inches -- a mark that will send him to regional as an alternate.

Westbrook's Tate Burleson and Levi Hester of Loraine also did well at the meet. Burleson was sixth in the 800-meter run with a time of 2 minutes, 30.96 seconds, while Hester was fifth in the 400-meter dash with a time of 57:18.

In the girls division, Loraine's Felicia Gibson was fifth in the 100-meter dash. She finished the race with a time 13.85.

The WHS girls' 400- and 800-meter relay teams both finished fourth.

SPORTS

Loraine softballers steamroll Trent

By Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

The Loraine Lady Bulldogs split their two games they played last week, defeating Trent, 11-2, last Tuesday in Loraine, and losing to Menard, 16-2 at Menard.

Heaven McGrael pitched a complete game, getting five strike outs along the way.

Giving McGrael support with their bats was Jeanny Moore, who hit two home runs, while Gloria Rodriguez and Felicia each had doubles.

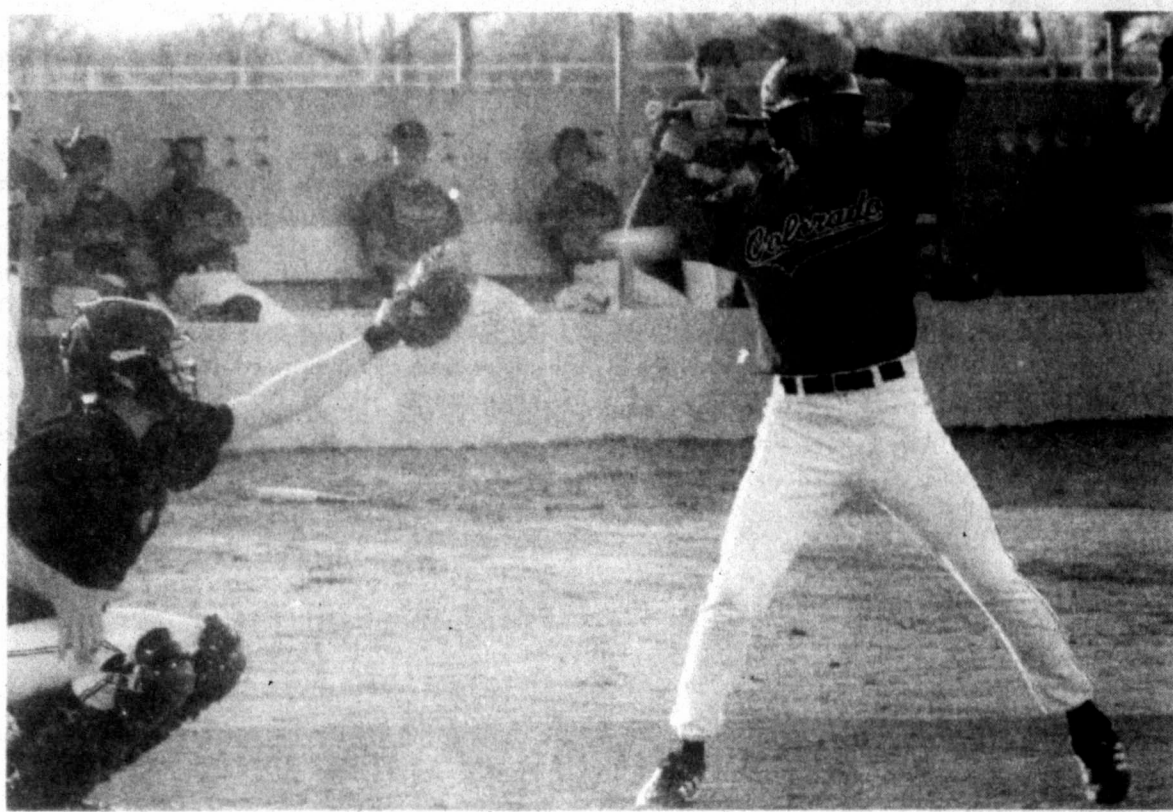
"Lucy Rico played great defense at shortstop," said coach Rick Lucas. "We also gave Heaven (McGrael) a lot of support at the plate."

Against Menard, Nancy Talamantes collected two hits while Annette Davila had two hits.

Loraine will complete its season on April 21 when they host the Miles Lady Bulldogs at the Bill and Ann Preston Field. The game is scheduled to get underway 4:30 p.m.



Heaven McGrael



COLORADO CITY CENTERFIELDER Frankie Arguijo dances out of the way of a pitch during the first inning of the Wolves' game against Hawley on Friday. Colorado High School surrendered 10 runs in the third and suffered a 14-3 setback.

Colorado City Wolves split with games against Buffs, Bearcats

By Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

The Colorado High School Wolves finished off a disappointing week of baseball action on a high note Saturday at the Mitchell County Sports Complex by downing the Forsan Buffaloes, 8-0.

Henry Reyna turned in a strong outing in the Wolves'

non-district victory on Saturday. The righthander went the distance, working seven innings for the win.

Colorado City dropped a tough 14-3 decision to District 4-2A rival on Friday.

Hawley, which trailed by a slim 2-1 margin at the end of the first inning, fared much better. Hawley scored 10 runs in the

third inning and cruised to an easy win.

With the loss, the Wolves slipped to 2-3 in District 4-2A play. Hawley improved to 3-2 and trails district-leading Coahoma by two games.

The Wolves host Anson this Friday at the Mitchell County Sports Complex. The game will begin at 7 p.m.

Hondo, NM among six-man teams hoping for trip to C-City

By Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

The teams looking to reach Colorado City in July for the 6-on-6 National Passing Championship are beginning to take a intrastate flavor.

The Arthur County Wolves, a perennial Nebraska state power, and the Hondo Panthers, a New Mexico power, are among the early teams to say they intend to participate. Arthur County finished seventh last year at the 6-on-6 national finals in Wheeler.

Arthur is scheduled to try and nail down a berth in the national finals when they compete in the Valley Qualifier. Hondo will be competing against 12 other teams in the Meadow Qualifier.

Overall, the top 2-3 teams at each of the state's four qualifiers will advance to the national finals, which are scheduled for July 22 at Wolves Stadium.

Other teams slated to participate are Bryson, Gustine and Crowell. Crowell finished third last year at the national tournament.

GYM

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gymnasium for the first time beginning with the 2006-2007 school year.

"These renovations really make our facilities look so much better," said Loraine superintendent Eric Stoddard. "It should be a huge morale booster for these students. I hope they take a lot of pride in the work that has been done."

The new gym was originally built strictly for physical education classes for the first few years of its existence, according to the grant that covered the cost of the construction.

In addition to the new surface, USD officials also installed new lockers in the high school hallways and had the lockers in the old gym repainted in the school's black and gold colors.

Both basketball courts now sport a hand-drawn picture of a bulldog, Loraine's mascot.

The costs of all the renovations cost approximately \$100,000.



C-CITY STANDOUT Georgianna Guerra hits a ball into the air during the seventh inning of the Lady Wolves' game with Hawley. The CHS girls face Anson Friday.

GIRLS

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the Lady Wolves exploded offensively — scoring eight runs by sending 12 players to the plate.

On Friday, the Lady Wolves suffered their second loss to Hawley this season, falling 5-2.

Hawley took a 1-0 lead in the top of the fourth inning, but Colorado City managed to rally back with two runs in the bottom of the fourth.

With two outs in the inning, Hill and Newby managed to reach base via a single and a walk, respectively. From there, Michele Arispe lined a double to

right-center to drive both runs home.

Hawley came right back with two runs in the top of the fifth to retake the lead at 3-2. They added an insurance runs in the top of the seventh inning.

Hill, who recorded the win in the Lady Wolves' outing against Stamford, suffered the loss against Hawley.

The Lady Wolves are scheduled to host Anson Friday, and then complete district play on Saturday, April 22, with a trip to Stamford.

Major League Baseball season is finally under way

Hello once again to all you readers out there!

We are back at it this week after missing a couple of days last week due to illness.

Professional baseball has started, and as usual the Rangers are getting off to another slow start. We hope they have a good season this year.

The Astros, unlike a year ago, are off to a good start. The team is 5-2 after its first seven games. That's a lot better than the 15-30 start the defending National League champions got off to a year ago.

Colorado High's chances of sending anyone to the state track meet in Austin this year rests pretty heavily on the shoulders of junior Paige Newby.

Last Saturday, she CHS star went all the way to Austin to compete in the high school division of the 79th annual Texas Relays. And she performed extremely well, finishing second with a toss of more than 142 feet.

Also doing well this past weekend was former Wolf thinclad Hann Ollison. He finished second in the 200-meter dash at the Texas Relays held at the University of Texas track in Austin. He also ran the third leg of the McMurry University 400-meter relay team in a time of 41.19.

SPEAKING

OF

SPORTS...
CARL GRAHAM
SPORTS EDITOR



The Indians' team is made up of freshmen Bert Green, Christopher Kelly, Ollison and sophomore John Mikalik.

The Wolves and Lady Wolves continue to struggle through the baseball and softball season, but both still have good chances of making the post-season playoffs. Once you make the playoffs anything can happen.

You heard it here first, the summer football is about to begin. I know this because last week I was hit up by my editor's two sons to help them raise funds to attend the University of Texas Summer Football Camp in June.

The two boys, are are scheduled to play in Westbrook next year, are peddling half-pound chocolate bars in an effort to raise the funds to attend the camp. Here's hoping everyone will be great enough to support them.

Have a good week folks, and remember, be a good sport in everything that you do.

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SPORTS

CMS track teams shine at district meet



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COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL second baseman Tanner Borcik (right) and Henry Reyna attempt to track down a ball caught in the wind during Friday's game against Hawley. The ball fell for a single.

By Carl Graham

Colorado City Record

The Colorado Middle School seventh grade boys' track team placed fifth at the district meet last week, accumulating 66 points and edging out Stamford. Stanton won the meet with 219 points.

The eighth grade boys team placed fourth with 83 points. Coahoma won the boys' team title with 171 points.

Placing in the meet were Christian Rodriguez and Jonathan Luera, who placed third and fourth, respectively, in the shot put, and Nick Reyna, who placed fifth in the triple jump and sixth in the long jump.

Reyna also finished fifth in the 200-meter dash.

Chris Madrid also did well, taking third in the 800-meter run, while teammate Matt Neff

placed sixth in the 110-meter hurdles and Jonathan Luera finished = third in the 100-meter dash.

Ronald Aayoma and Christian Hernandez placed second and third, respectively, in the 1,600-meter run. Salazar was sixth in the race.

The 400-meter relay team finished third with a time of 54:36 seconds. The CMS 800- and 1,600-meter meter relay teams finished fifth.

Eighth graders placing at the meet included Jacob Martinez, who placed third in the shot put, and Tyler Higgins who placed fifth in the long jump and high jump.

Jesse Guerra walked away from the meet with two gold medals, winning the 800-meter run and 1,600-meter run, while also netting second in the 2,400-meter run. Hulme and Kyle Lemons placed fifth and sixth, respectively, in the 110-meter hurdles.

Christian McKinney placed sixth in the 400-meter dash, while Smith was third in the 300-meter hurdles.

The 400-meter relay finished second in a time of 51:41, while the CMS 800-meter relay finished sixth, and the 1,600-meter relay finished in fifth.

TRACK

Tony Salazar was fifth in the 400- and 800-meter events

The Wolves' 1,600-meter relay team placed third.

CHS junior varsity members also did well. Led by Billy Gonzales, Nathan Hawkins and Matt Sowa, the CHS junior varsity proved to be one of the top JV teams.

Gonzales won the discus competition, while Hawkins and Sowa

claimed first in the triple jump and high jump, respectively.

Richard Luera with a second in the long jump, while Mario Atkinson garnered fourth in the shot put, and Robert Arispe placed fourth in the 110-meter hurdles. Hawkins and Sowa were sixth and seventh, respectively, in the 110 race.

Ricky Davila placed second in the 1,600-meter run, while

Atkinson was sixth in the 400-meter dash.

Arispe also finished third in the 300-meter hurdles just ahead of Hawkins and Matt Sowa.

The JV 400- and 800-meter relay teams both finished third, while the 1,600-meter foursome captured second.

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GOLF

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Among the CHS golfers earning all-district honors were Edwards, Scott, McGuffin and Whitesides, who placed ninth with a two-day total of 178.

In girls' action, the Lady Wolves team - which is comprised of Brittany McKinney, Sagan Everett, Felicia Arrendondo, and Courtney Pharis -- finished second in the team standings behind Stanton with a two-day total of 941.

Everett had a two-day total of 221, while McKinney finished at 227 - marks that earned them third and sixth, respectively in the medalist's standings.

Arrendondo carded a two-day total of 231, while Pharis finished at 262.

Making the all-district from Colorado High School were Everett, McKinney and Arrendondo.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MITCHELL

By virtue of Orders of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Mitchell County on the 28th day of March, 2006, by the Clerk thereof in the following cases to the Sheriff directed, the following properties, which are more particularly described in the judgments entered in each cause, were levied on the 28th day of March, 2006, and will be sold at 10:00 a.m. on the 2nd day of May, 2006, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the East door of the courthouse in Mitchell County, Texas, in the City of Colorado City, Texas, to satisfy judgments with interest and with all costs of suit in favor of Mitchell County, Et Al, and other taxing units and against those defendants listed in said judgments and orders of sale.

Cause #12,261
MITCHELL COUNTY VS. RUBEN C. MOLINA

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Cause #13,065

MITCHELL COUNTY VS. LOUIS BADILLO
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Cause #13,686

MITCHELL COUNTY VS. B.W. PRUITT
Tract 1: All Lot 11 and South 40 feet of Lot 12, Block 2, Park Place to the Original Town, Colorado City
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Patrick Toombs
Sheriff, Mitchell County, Texas

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of BILLIE M. FORBES, Deceased, were issued on April 5, 2006, in Cause No. 5094, pending in the County Court of MITCHELL County, Texas, to GLENDA DARLENE FORBES STEWART. All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

GLENDA DARLENE FORBES STEWART
Independent Executrix of the Estate of Billie M. Forbes, Deceased
328 East 16th Street
Colorado City, Texas 79512
DATED the 10th day of April, 2006.

T.L. Rees Sr.
Attorney for Estate
State Bar No.: 16701000
Rees & Rees LLP, Attys.
P.O. Box 1007
Colorado City, Texas 79512
Telephone: (325)728-2635
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NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION SCHOOL BOARD)

To the Registered Voters of Westbrook, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Westbrook, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 13, 2006, for voting in a School Board Trustee election, to elect two members to the Westbrook ISD Board.

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LEGAL NOTICES

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May 5, 2006.

(el 5 de mayo de 2006.)

Issued this the 10th day of April, 2006.

(Emitada este dia 10 de abril de, 2006.)

BID NOTICES

BID NOTICE

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Signed
Donna Madrid
City Secretary

RFP AMENDED 06-5133

RESURFACING TRACK FIELD

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BID NOTICES

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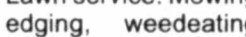
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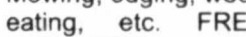
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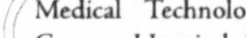
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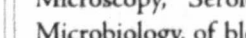
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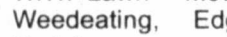
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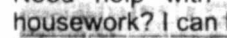
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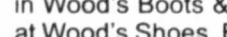
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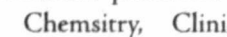
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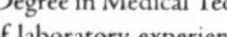
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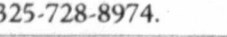
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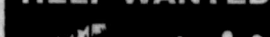
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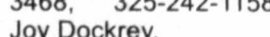
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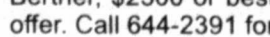
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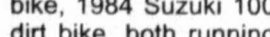
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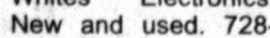
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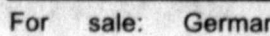
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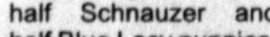
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Thank You and God Bless You,
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I would like to thank all my church family, friends and special people in my life for all the prayers, food, plants, flowers, visits and love that have been sent to me in my three hospital visits and in the loss of my sister, Billie. A very special thank you to Bro. Ken & Sue Northcutt. I love all of you.

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Alejandro Lopez and family would like to thank everyone who helped with the fundraiser, called, sent flowers and prayed while Alejandro was in the hospital. It means a lot to us to know so many care. God bless.

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LORAINNE NEWS

By Bessie Ann Vaughn
Lorraine Correspondent

Greetings. We hope your past week events went well and that you have a wonderful and blessed Easter.

...
A traditional Easter egg hunt will take place Saturday morning, Apr. 15th at Loraine City Park on Main Street, starting at 10 a.m. Easter bunnies hopping around will be Connie Harshaw and Mikki Hernandez.

Good luck to the kiddoes. Have fun and just maybe the wind won't blow your eggs to Roscoe.

...
Spending the last couple of weeks with Carl and Sandy Graham have been the Grahams' daughter and son-in-law, Darrell and Mary Casey and grandsons, Sean Casey and Michael Kinnan. The Caseys live on a ranch about 30 miles from Colorado Springs, Colorado.

...
Attending an Easter production at the Abilene Civic Center by the Pioneer Drive Baptist Church last Friday evening were Keifer and Aubrey Nell Cauble, Billie Powell, Mary Stice, Ed and Sendia Blake and Charlene Hays.

The production was entitled "Jesus, His Story." It was reported to have been a very moving and blessed experience.

Sunday while zapping around on TV channels, I stopped on a country music channel when I heard Alan Jackson singing "Amazing Grace." He followed that with "The Old Rugged Cross," "How Great Thou Art" and several more songs that I've heard all my life.

The music was plain and simple and Mr. Jackson sat in a chair and sang from the heart. It brought back memories of where I, along with my family, would be in church or at a revival taking place in an old tabernacle in Loraine not far away from the present day Methodist Church.

I'm sure Alan Jackson was promoting his gospel music album. It would certainly make a great gift for someone anytime but especially at Easter.

Beverly Collier of San Angelo spent Sunday with her mom, Nell Doyle. They attended church and had a nice meal later while catching up on family news. The ladies enjoyed the day.

...
Providing special music were Roland and Carl Graham Sunday morning at the Loraine Methodist Church. The men sang "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power," accompanied on piano by Rev. Keifer Cauble.

Opening Monday, April 10th in Loraine was the R&M Café. They serve burritos, hamburgers, cheeseburgers and sandwiches and on Sundays you can enjoy chicken and dressing and all the trimmings.

Hours are 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. The café is located next door to City Hall. Owners are Mr. & Mrs. Ramiro Lara. We wish them well.

...
The First Bank of West Texas, Loraine Branch, met three other branches for a nice get-together.

It included the branches from Big Spring, Coahoma and Abilene.

The get-together was held Saturday evening at the Senior Center. A nice dinner included three entrees of shrimp, steak and chicken with attendants taking a potluck offering.

Melba Wilkes reported that they had a wonderful time and approximately 60 people were in attendance.

...
At the centennial plans meeting, it was so good to see and visit with Dr. and Mrs. Joe Terry. They looked so well. They still live in Sweetwater.

...
A spotlight shines on the life and times of longtime Lorainian Leila Beaty. Leila will turn 94 years old in August. She has lived here since 1921 when she came here with her parents, Clea and Pearl Gaiter, when she was nine years old.

This nice lady (I've known her all my life) tells me she has no aches and pains and takes no medicine at all. Wow! She should be the poster girl for geriatrics.

Leila never eats supper and I'm thinking this fact contributes to her wellness and longevity.

Leila and her sister, Laura went to school here and later Leila married Allen Beaty. He passed away in 1983.

Leila worked as a telephone operator in 1929. Later she worked at the school lunchroom until she retired at 65 years old. In 1977, when the Senior Center first opened, she worked there for a long while in the kitchen.

Leila has three children, LaJoyce Sheppard of Corpus Christi, Diane Seaton of Corsicana, and Edward Beaty of Loraine. She is a member of the Loraine Methodist Church and frequented the Senior Citizens Center for several years.

In the near future, she plans to move to Lamesa and make her home in a senior apartment. Whether she stays here or makes a change in residence, we wish her all the best.

...
Last Monday the seniors at the center played bingo. Vida Mae McDaniel played piano for Name

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