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Accident injures 1

A four wheeler accident Sunday evening left a Westbrook man with possible internal injuries, according to Mitchell County Sheriff Patrick Toombs.

Ronnie Diese, of Westbrook, was riding a four wheeler en route from his home to his mother's home when the vehicle flipped.

"It flipped end over end, coming to rest on top of Diese," said Toombs. Officers were unable to discover the cause of the accident at the time.

Diese was flown to Abilene with facial and possible internal injuries.

An ongoing investigation is being carried out under the direction of Deputy Jeremiah Witte.

Saturday set for clean up

Keep Colorado City Beautiful will hold its annual spring City Wide Clean Up on Saturday, April 10.

Volunteers are needed to help with loading and unloading of trash and rubbish and should meet at the First Baptist Church parking lot on Chestnut and 3rd Streets at 8 a.m.

Doughnuts, coffee, and water will be provided.

Because KCCB sponsors the clean up in conjunction with Mitchell County and the City of Colorado City, certain requirements apply to trash pickup.

"If you have metal or appliances, with the exceptions of televisions, you may take them to P.J.'s east of town," said Bob Reily, KCCB president. "If you have wood or tree limbs, you may take them to the bonfire site east of town. You may take other household trash to the landfill."

Residents taking trash to the landfill for the city wide clean up

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County to seek bids on road construction

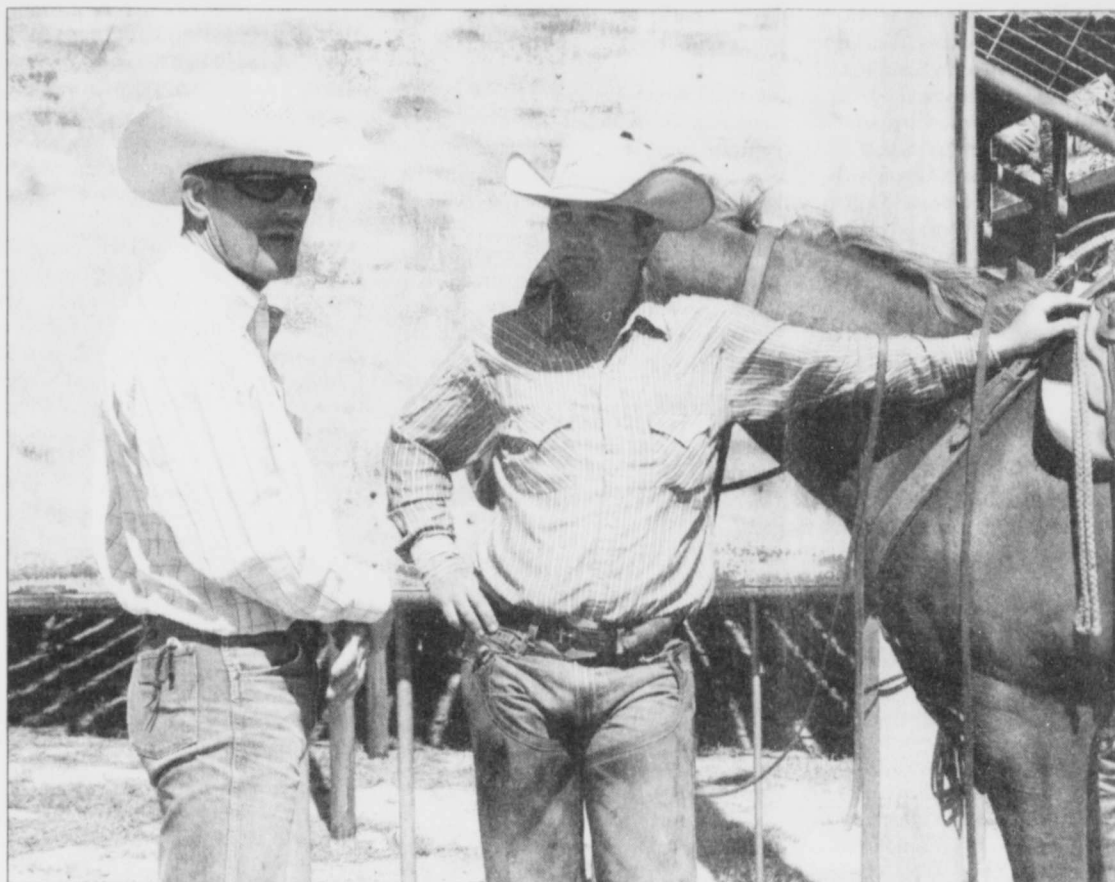
The county commissioners authorized the Board of Economic Development to prepare and advertise bid specs for the county's portion of the Vine Street extension during their Monday meeting.

The roadwork extension on Vine Street will provide access to the new Western Suites motel, which is scheduled to open in mid to late May.

Bids will be opened during the commissioners meeting on May 3rd.

The court also approved waiving the fees for use of the ag barn and rodeo grounds for the Chamber of Commerce's annual Ranch Rodeo on April 17th.

No action was taken on a request by Fire Chief Rufino Mar-



'HOW MANY COWBOYS does it take to milk a wild cow?" Ranch hands and spectators will get an opportunity to find out at the Chamber of Commerce Ranch Rodeo April 17 at the rodeo arena in Colorado City.

Ranch rodeo to pit cows against cowboys

Cowboys and ranch hands who have not yet signed up for this year's Ranch Rodeo April 17 will have to settle for being spectators at the rodeo grounds west of town.

The annual Chamber of Commerce sponsored event is full with 27 teams participating from around West Texas, according to rodeo director Brodie Harris.

The four man teams will compete in team doctoring, team penning, wild cow milking and team branding. Local teams include Rafter BS and team captain Bryne Stone; Erwin Cattle Company, Barry Holman; Bar 3 Bar, Bo Preston and L Bar Ranch, Kelby Bradbury.

Other competing teams are coming from as far away as Woodson, Benjamin, Mertzon, Stamford and Albany.

Twenty cowboys will saddle

up with ranch saddles for some wild bronc riding, a new feature at this year's rodeo. Among the competitors are local hands Matthew Wilson, Kelby Bradbury, Bo Preston, Swappy Harrison and Carlton Johnson.

The mayhem continues with the wild cow milking event where it takes four cowboys to milk one ornery cow.

"It's a tussle between a 1,000 pound cow and four cowboys," said Harris. A rider ropes the cow, another hangs onto the cow's head, while a third grabs the tail. The fourth man is charged with getting the milk into a milk bottle and back to the judge.

"You don't want to blink or you'll miss something," Harris said.

Anyone who's attended the rodeo knows the Mutton Bustin' event gives youngsters a

chance to win their spurs, or in this case a belt buckle and boots from Wood's Boots. Due to the growth of the rodeo, the year's Mutton Bustin' event is limited to the first 25 youngsters age 8 and under and 70 pounds and under who enter.

"If you want to know the cowboy's life and his work on the ranch, this is how these boys make their living. It's every day life for them," said Harris.

Tickets for the rodeo are \$5 for adults and \$3 for kids at the gate. Along the fence parking is almost gone at \$20 a permit. "It's first pay, first get," said Harris. Parking permits can be purchased through the Chamber of Commerce, 325-728-3403.

This year's flag carriers at the Grand Parade, which will feature over 110 horses and cowboys, will be Talyn Messick, Bailey Sprague

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Search warrant results in arrest

The Mitchell County Sheriff's Office in conjunction with local law enforcement officers arrested a local man Friday evening, suspected of selling drugs.

Thirty-one-year-old Stephen Ornelas was arrested after officials served a search warrant on his home at 603 Pine around 10 p.m. April 2, according to Sheriff Patrick Toombs.

"We had enough evidence to get a search warrant to run on the house," Toombs said.

Officers confiscated containers with two different kinds of pills including alprazolam, a small amount of methamphetamines known as MDMA or Ecstasy, and approximately 1/2 pound of marijuana packaged and ready for sale.

Ornelas faces three state jail felony charges and one misdemeanor

charge. Bond has been set at \$8,000 each for the felony charges and \$2,500 for the misdemeanor charge. An additional charge may be filed at a later date.

Jeremiah Witte was the investigator. See ARREST Page 5



Stephen Ornelas

JC Penney service center opens soon

J. C. Penney Company, Inc. is offering shoppers in Colorado City an easy and exciting way to discover great style and quality at compelling prices with the grand opening of the JC Penney Service Center located inside The Medicine Place, at 2205 Hickory St., Colorado City, Texas. The official grand opening, marked by a ribbon-cutting ceremony within The Medicine Place, will be announced at a later time.

The new JC Penney Service Center offers a one-stop shop for JC Penney services where customers can order and pick up Internet and catalog purchases; make returns and exchanges; make payments on their JC Penney credit card accounts; and purchase JC Penney gift cards. In addition, customers have access to an assortment of JC Penney catalogs filled with some of the most desired brands in apparel, shoes, home décor, furniture, bath products, electronics, outdoor accessories, kitchen and dining products, fine jewelry and so much more.

There are over 360 JC Penney Service Centers located inside independently owned and operated businesses throughout the United States, including Hawaii and Alaska, providing customers with convenient access to JC Penney merchandise and services in markets that are not serviced directly by a JC Penney department store.

The JC Penney Service Center will be open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Early voting ends Friday

Early voting turnout for the run-off elections on the Democrat and Republican tickets started out strong, according to County Clerk Debby Carlock.

As of Tuesday at 5 p.m. five Republicans and 81 Democrats participated in early voting.

Early voting will continue throughout the week at the Mitchell County Courthouse, 349 Oak Street from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. except Friday.

Voting will be from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Friday, April 9.

The run-off election for county treasurer and county commissioner Precinct 4 on the Democratic ticket and Justice of the Supreme Court Place 3 on the Republican ticket will be held Tuesday, April 13 at respective polling places from

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HANDS ON LEARNING - Students from Wallace High Schools career investigation class (from left) Dejshan Brice, Zavien Lenard, Elisa Garcia and Zach Chambliss get the latest scoop on the newspaper industry from Colorado City Record staff Stephanie Perez (center).

Around Town

Ask Doris Crenshaw if the remote will make a phone call... Happy belated birthday Mary Casey (Apr. 6)... Happy belated birthday Hank Miller (Apr. 6)... Happy belated birthday Carina Flores (Apr. 6)... Happy birthday Damian Flores (Apr. 12)... Brandie Whisenhunt looking for Sesame Street...

Answerline

Q. When will the new motel (Western Suites) open?
A. Opening date is scheduled for May 14, 2010.

Obituaries

Olivia Lucra Colorado City
Mary Lynn Hackleman San Angelo
Dorothy Harber Colorado City
Kenneth Key Austin
Opal Pierce California

Briefs

Donut Sale

The Susan G. Komen walk team is taking orders for Krispy Kreme donuts which will arrive Wed., Apr. 21. Glazed are \$7 per dozen, chocolate are \$10 per dozen and 10 donut holes are \$3. Orders may be placed by calling 325-201-5118. Proceeds benefit Susan G. Komen 3-day 60-mile walk.

Bass Club

The Colorado City Bass Club will meet Wed., Apr. 14, at First Nation-

Westbrook Meeting

The Westbrook Parent-Teacher-Student Association will meet Mon., Apr. 12 at 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Everyone is welcome.

Livestock Meeting

The Mitchell County Livestock Association will meet Tues., Apr. 13 at 7 p.m. in the C.C. Thompson Room. Board members will be elected and everyone is urged to attend. The \$5 membership fee is due at the meeting.

al Bank at 6:30 p.m.

Census Testing

The U.S. Census 2010 will be testing potential employees on April 9 at 7 p.m., April 10 at 3 p.m., April 12 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., and April 14 at 10 a.m. For more information, call 1-866-861-2010.

Track Dedication

Dedication ceremonies for the naming of the Hollis Gainey Track at Wolf Stadium will be held prior to the 6:30 running events April 8th.

Thought of the Week

You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough.

Mae West

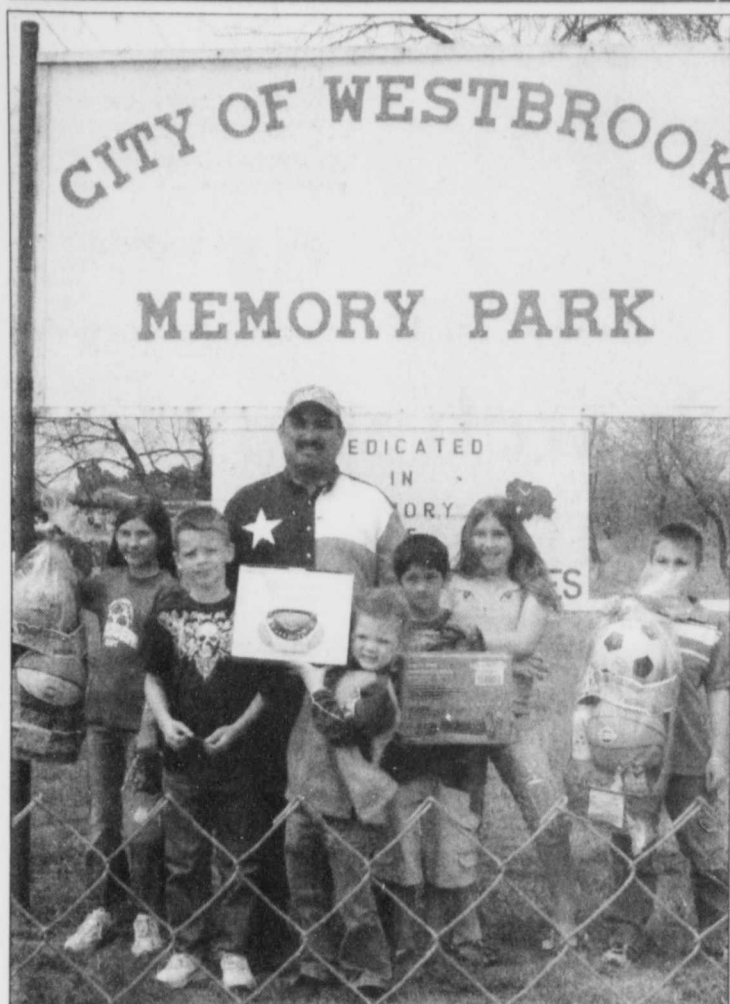
Lake Levels

(as of April 6, 2010)

Lake Colorado City...2059.82'
Full at 2070.3' Down 10.48'
Lake Champion...2047.83'
Full at 2083' Down 35.17'

LOCAL NEWS

OBITUARIES



THE KIDDOES IN Westbrook were treated to the annual Easter egg hunt Saturday, April 3rd. Mayor Ramiro Fuentes is shown with this year's winners. There were 52 hunters in attendance. After the Easter egg hunt, everyone enjoyed cupcakes and drinks. Kids played on the playground and the added attraction of the Westbrook air castle. Photo courtesy of Pansy Fernandez.

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Olivia G. Luera 1921-2010

COLORADO CITY -- Olivia G. Luera, age 89, passed away on Saturday, April 3, 2010, in Colorado City. Mass of Christian burial was held on Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 10 a.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father Michael Udegbuma officiating. Burial followed in Mitchell County Cemetery.

Olivia was born on November 27, 1921, to Juan and Jesusita Marquez Gomez. She married Pete Luera on March 16, 1938. She had been a resident of Colorado City since 1938 and a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church. Olivia was a member of the Guadalupe Society at St. Ann's.

She is survived by her daughters, Virginia DeLoera; Cecilia Arocha and husband, David; Lydia Garcia; Sandra Luera, all of Colorado City; and Susan Garcia and husband, Robert of Watauga. She is also survived by sons, Pete Luera and wife Janie; Rudy Luera; Ernest Luera; Richard Luera, all of Colorado City; daughter-in-law, Felipa Luera of Odessa; 34 grandchildren; 48 great-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and one brother, Rosendo Gomez.

Olivia is preceded in death by her husband, Pedro Luera and siblings, Benito, Pete, Manuel, Juan, Josephina, and Consuelo Gomez. She was also preceded in death by her children, Alivina, Alvino, John, Ruben and Robert Luera. Grandchildren who preceded her in death were Michael and Edna Luera, Adon DeLoera, Nicholas Garcia and Gabriel Roberts.

Mary Lynn Hackleman 1929-2010

SAN ANGELO -- Mary Lynn Hackleman, passed from this life on Wednesday, March 31, 2010 at her home at age 80.

Mary Lynn was born November 5, 1929 in Paris, Texas. Her parents were Bonniebell Evans West and Fred N. West. She attended Paris High School and went on to receive her Bachelor of Arts in Speech and a Masters Degree in Communication. Mary Lynn married Guy Hackleman on May 30, 1948 in Paris, Texas and they devoted their lives to taking care of each other and their family. Mary Lynn was a member of the Daughter's of the American Revolution and was an Eastern Star. She loved and was very devoted to her church family at St. Mark Presbyterian Church where she was an ordained elder and an active session member. She was also chairperson of the Worship Committee.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband of 59 years, Guy Hackleman. Mary Lynn is survived by her loving children, daughters, Elaine Sullivan and her husband Guy Sullivan, of Lubbock, and Linda Keeney and her husband Kenneth Keeney, of Colorado City; one son, Larry Hackleman and his wife, Jonnie, of Odessa; five grandchildren, Michelle Slaughter, of Houston, Kristopher Keeney, of San Angelo, Keith Keeney and wife Felicia, of Austin, Crystal Foster and husband Micah Foster, of Odessa and Justin Guy Hackleman, of Odessa; four great-grandchildren, Justin and Brett Wyatt of Houston, Isaiah Slaughter of Houston and Jaxon Jon Foster of Odessa; two sisters, Frances Brown and her husband Joe, of Weatherford, and Carol Green, of Houston.

The funeral service was held at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at St. Mark Presbyterian Church with Rev. Gary Elmquist officiating. Interment followed at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to St. Mark Presbyterian Church or a charity of your choice.

Dorothy Harber 1923-2010

COLORADO CITY -- Mrs. Dorothy Harber, age 86, died Monday morning in a local care center. Graveside services were held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 6, 2010, in the Colorado City Cemetery with Rev. Paul Smith officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Harber was born July 1, 1923, in Mitchell County to Charles Melton and Molly Bowden Mote and had been a lifelong resident. She married Marvin Thomas Harber in 1946. He preceded her in death in 1985. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by a son, Tom and wife, Jane Harber of Gardendale; three

grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a niece, Bobbie Wilkinson of Levelland.

Kenneth F. Key 1950-2010

AUSTIN -- Kenneth F. Key, age 59, passed away Saturday, March 27, 2010, after a sudden illness. Graveside services were held at 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 30, at Cook-Walden Memorial Hill Cemetery in Pflugerville.

Ken was born November 12, 1950, in Colorado City to Roy and Pat Key. He was preceded in death by a son, Jody and his father, Roy. Ken graduated from Colorado High School in 1969 where he played football and baseball. He attended Angelo State University for one year and returned to Colorado City as a radio announcer for KVMC. He moved to Odessa in 1975 and worked for Hughes Tool Co. where he was salesman of the year for two years. He opened his own oilfield-related business with his brother, Bill, in the early 1980s. After closing the business, he moved to Austin where he worked in car sales for the past 25 years.

Ken was a devoted and very proud father. Throughout his son Kenny's school years, he never missed a ball game from t-ball through high school, often coaching many of those years. He had a very close and special relationship with his daughter, Melony, who was the apple of his eye. He was currently working on restoring a 1966 Mustang for his youngest son, Kody. His favorite pastimes were fishing, working on his yard and supporting his favorite teams, the Texas Longhorns and the Dallas Cowboys, during football season. He had his own unique sense of humor and loved teasing and playing jokes on everyone he knew.

He is survived by his mother, Pat of Colorado City; brother, Bill and wife, Billie of Colorado City; sons, Kody of the home, and Kenny and wife, Brenda of Round Rock; daughter, Melony and husband, Ken of Round Rock; and grandchildren, Kylie and Major Key and Joshua, Nicole and Jody Moncebaiz, all of Round Rock.

You are invited to share your thoughts and memories of Ken at www.cook-waldencapitalparks.com.

Opal L. Pierce 1921-2010

CALIFORNIA -- Opal L. Pierce, 89, formerly of Lake Colorado City, passed away peacefully March 24, 2010, in Riverside, California. Opal was born February 1, 1921, to Roy and Minnie Page in Civet, Oklahoma. She had a happy, if busy, childhood moving back and forth between the oilfields and farm lands of Oklahoma and Texas.

In high school, Opal was a cheerleader in Kermit. After high school, the family again moved to Oklahoma, this time Durant. Being the oldest daughter of eight children, Opal worked when she could, but most of her time was spent helping around the house and caring for her brothers and sisters.

During World War II, Opal met Willis L. "Speck" Pierce from Civet, Oklahoma. They were married October 17, 1942. After Speck's military service, they moved around the oilfields of Texas, Oklahoma and Wyoming, finally settling in Shorewood, Illinois. Opal worked at various jobs throughout this period, including the post office, school cafeteria, nursery school, Howard Johnson's and as an Avon representative. In 1974, Opal and Speck retired and returned to Lake Colorado City in Texas.

Until Speck's passing in January, 1990, Opal and Speck enjoyed the benefits of the "good life", sharing the best of them with friends and a large extended family that included their children, grandchildren, parents and the many brothers and sisters who resided in the area. Opal remained in Texas until 2003, when she moved to Riverside, California, to be with her oldest daughter, LaNell and her family.

She is survived by her children, LaNell Johnson and her husband, David; Gary Ray Pierce and his wife, Barb; Wanda Sue Babin and her husband, Ted. Also surviving are grandchildren, LaNette Treasure, Leanne Alvey and Scott Johnson, all born to David and LaNell Johnson. LaNette and Leanne provided Opal with great-grandchildren, Bobby, Melanie and Tyler from LaNette and Kami Drew from Leanne. Other surviving family members are: brothers, Ted Page and his wife, Viola and Jack Page and his wife, Natalia. Opal's surviving sisters are: Lola McKiven and Lahoma "Teenie" Nixon. Another brother, Lee Page and two sisters, Joyce Cain and Pat Stephens preceded her in death.

Cremation has been conducted and her ashes will be buried in the same burial plot as her husband's in Texas at a future date. There are no services planned.

CCPD to honor dispatchers

In order to honor the men and women who keep the communication lines open between the public and law enforcement, Congress has designated the week of April 10-17 as National Telecommunicators Week.

"It was set aside by Congress nationwide to honor the men and women who sit behind the desk as public safety telecommunicators," said Donna Overton, with the Colorado City Police Department.

"Unless they are part of a huge TV story, telecommunicators never get recognized. The police

officers get recognized, but not the call takers," she said.

The CCPD plans to honor their seven dispatchers with a noon luncheon on April 15, complete with a large cake donated by Fuller Foods. CCPD telecommunicators are Dottie Taylor, Marcus Flores, Mary Aguilar, Jeremy Crawford, Donna Overton and Jennifer Barber, allowing the department to run three shifts daily, 24-7.

Telecommunicators work 24-7 year round answering all incoming calls, 9-1-1 emergency calls for Mitchell County ambulance,

fire, sheriff, Loraine and Westbrook. "Everything that comes in this county goes through the police department," Overton said.

Telecommunicators take care of the officers on the street, as well as citizens who call in.

"We also take care of the interstate. For every 9-1-1 off I-20, we determine what mile marker the caller came in at and route it to the proper county," she said. "If someone has a blowout in the middle of the night and are scared to death, we determine where they are and get assistance to them."

Brand new radios and a new 9-1-1 system to be installed on April 22 brings the department into the technology age and allows dispatchers to fix the location of cell phone callers.

"Thanks to Chief Ron Dooley, telecommunications is easier for us as individuals with all the new systems we've gotten," Overton said. The new systems include headsets, telecommunicators can take calls and still have hands free to write notes. Transfer

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LOCAL NEWS

Book records 125 years of lodge history

A historical accounting of the Mitchell Masonic Lodge covers the lodge's continual existence for the past 125 years.

"Our minute books go back to July 1882 and our museum library goes back to 1837," said Dan Smith, lodge secretary who compiled and printed "The Historical Highlights of Mitchell Lodge."

Mitchell Lodge is the oldest and uninterrupted fraternal organization in Mitchell County. As the Mother Lodge of West Texas, the Mitchell Lodge was responsible for sponsoring the Staked Plains Lodge, the 598 Big Spring Lodge in 1884 and the Snyder Lodge in 1890, as well as the two Loraine Lodges in the early 1900's. It has continually

occupied its original building. Notable members included Sheriff Dick Ware and U.S. Congressman George Mahon.

W. J. Jake Chesney was the only member to serve as Grand Chaplain and Grand Council of Texas. As the only member to serve in the Masons' highest organization, Chesney left his symbols of office to the lodge, something rarely done.

Smith spent three years researching the Mitchell County lodge minutes, archival letters, secretary and treasurer records, minutes, personal membership files, Texas Grand Lodge records, Museum photos, and personal interviews.

Smith joined the lodge in 1989. "When one becomes the mem-

ber of a new family, they want to know about their new family and that is what started me to research the Mitchell Lodge."

"I wanted to inform and enlighten the membership of their heritage of the membership past, and families of present and past members and the general public of the background of those Masons who participated in the existence of Mitchell County and Colorado City," Smith said.

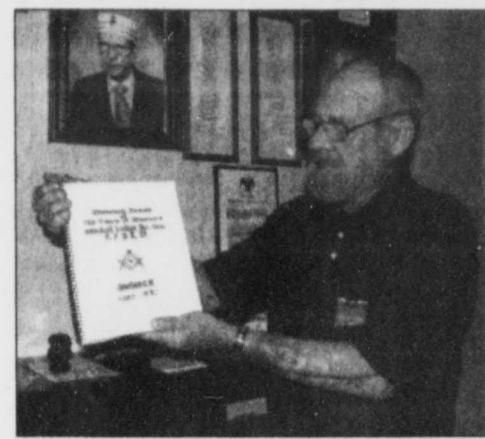
Smith compiled a similar history for the Ballinger Masonic lodge in 1980.

In past years, much of Masonic history was kept private, even from family members. "In the past two-three decades, we have opened more to the public because of criticism or specula-

tion about being a secret organization," said Smith. "The traditions and rituals are kept secret for the purpose of the members, no other reason. If all the secrets were available to the public, the rituals would be lost or worthless to the members."

"The surprise element has a whole lot to do with this," said Kenneth Rogers, who compared the organization's traditions to a Walk to Emmaus.

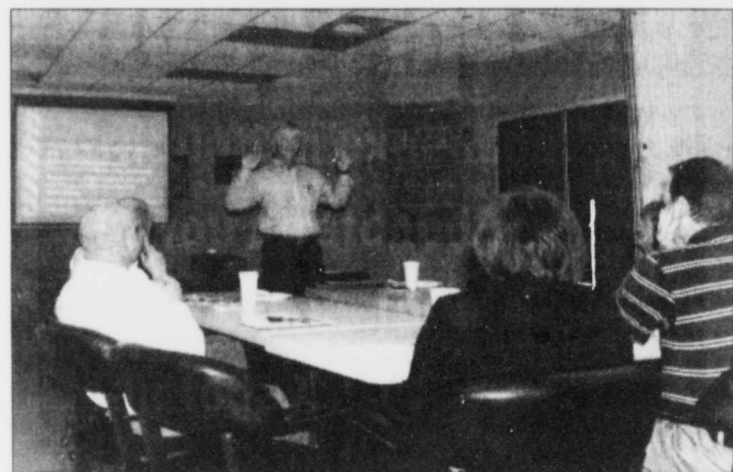
Copies of the history will be stored at the library and the



125 YEARS IN THE MAKING — Dan Smith recently completed a history of the Mitchell Masonic Lodge.

Heart of West Texas Museum. A copy will also be stored at the Grand Lodge library in Waco. See **LODGE** Page 5

Screening program reduces work injuries



PROTECTING THE WORKER is the main emphasis of WorkSteps, an employee screening company. CEO Larry Feeler highlights the program's benefits for company representatives at a workshop held at Mitchell County Hospital recently.

It began as a son's efforts to help his father's pipeline construction company save money and reduce the number of job-related injuries.

Today, WorkSteps has 700 test sites in 46 states and assists companies like Hallmark, Cox Communications and Warren Cat Drilling, to reduce the number of work-related injuries before they happen with pre-hire screening.

"Everybody has problems," said WorkSteps CEO Larry Feeler. "WorkSteps is not designed to stop them from working, it's designed to match them and their job."

The multi-tiered testing

measures baseline motion and strength and compares the significance of pre-existing conditions to job requirements. Common cumulative traumas such as torn rotator cuff, knee injuries, torn ligaments, and bad back problems are also screened.

"These are things everyone has but that may not affect job performance," Feeler said.

The company provides employment testing to all employees of any industry from high tech to secretarial and is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act to prevent injuries, control injury related costs and combat fraudulent claims.

"The Americans with Disabilities Act was passed to give employers the right to do testing," Feeler said. "The law says you're doing it because you care about them. It makes sure the person can do the job."

Unfortunately many companies hire people daily without checking to see if the employee is physically capable to do the job, according to Feeler.

The WorkSteps testing is job specific and provides a baseline for companies to use in the event a person is injured on the job.

"There is a difference in injury and impairment. When compa-

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Census can help rural Texas

USDA's Farm Service Agency has teamed up with the U.S. Census Bureau to encourage all farmers and ranchers to complete the 2010 census.

"I believe rural America is the heart and the soul and the guts of America. And, I believe that we have to start paying real attention to our farm families and to those who live in rural America if we want to preserve that value system," said Keith Hiser, Executive Director for USDA's Farm Service Agency in Mitchell County. "So, it's important for us to figure out new strategies and different strategies and expanded strategies for bringing prosperity back to the farm, prosperity back to the ranch, and prosperity back to rural communities."

These strategies begin with the completion of the census forms, which were mailed in March to all residents in the United States and Puerto Rico. The forms are comprised of 10 questions and take only 10 minutes to complete and mail back in the postage-paid envelope. The questions include names of residents, ages, sex, date of birth, race, relationship to the head of the household, whether the resident rents

or owns and a telephone number should the Census Bureau have any questions.

Having everyone counted is critical to the security of rural communities and will ensure that the more than \$400 billion in federal funding will be allocated to these communities annually to support schools, broadband initiatives, hospitals, emergency services and public works projects.

The census, which is taken every 10 years, is also used to determine the number of seats a state has in the House of Representatives and to apportion representatives equally among the 50 states.

The need for rural America to be counted in the census has grown since it was first implemented in 1790. Back then, the 13 original states had a population of 3.6 million, with 94.9 percent living in rural areas. By 1990, that number significantly decreased to 24 percent of the population living in rural areas.

Yet, according to Hiser it is the farmers and ranchers who are the backbone of rural America and provide the food, fiber and water that is essential to all Americans, whether they live in rural, urban

or suburban areas.

"This prosperity starts by each farmer and rancher completing the 2010 Census," said Hiser. It's not only the law, but an avenue used to help revive America's farm, food and values. Everyone needs to be counted."

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TUMBLEWEED SMITH YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO FAR TO GET AWAY

We took a short four-hour trip around our part of the state the other day. It was amazing. We didn't realize there was so much to see within just a few miles of where we live. My wife Susan and I started out on the Snyder Highway headed for Lake Thomas. We heard it was very low, only five percent capacity. I had been there only once years ago. Susan hadn't been there in a long time.



Since I've been teaching some radio and writing classes at Western Texas College in Snyder, I've always wanted to explore some of the canyon lands between Big Spring and Snyder. One morning when we didn't have anything pressing, we hit the road. Almost immediately we fell into vacation mode. We were relaxed and enjoying the scenery. Ribbons of sand hill cranes seemed to be bobbling and floating in the mid-morning breeze, their pulsating honks creating some interesting sounds.

The trip was, among other things, a picture taking adventure. It seems that when I bring out my bigger camera I immediately feel like I'm a long way from home, away on some kind of adventure. I stopped the car numerous times to photograph the fascinating terrain, which most drivers pass right on by without noticing the hills and valleys, the cliffs and canyons typical of so many parts of West Texas.

Once I stopped at an entrance to a ranch to take a picture of a deep depression in the land and a couple of winter plants. As I crossed over the iron bar above the cattle guard, some birds caught my eye. They were a bright blue and they were gathered around a small pond of water. When I moved, they flew away. I stopped, giving them a chance to get back to the water. The small, beautiful birds bathed, drank and hopped around. We thought they might be some sort of mountain jay, but the local bird expert said they were blue birds.

Back on the road, we noticed the cotton had been stripped and some fields were green with young wheat. In one of them about 50 antelope were resting. Most of them were lying down. Only a couple of them were upright. I passed them, turned the car around, handed the camera to Susan and she got some good photos. The antelope didn't seem to mind that we were there at all.

We drove on the Lake Thomas and indeed saw it had little water. Some docks were a couple of stories above the dry ground. We came back home by way of Moss Creek Lake, east of Big Spring, which was full of blue water and looked so inviting. We drove across the dam and along some of the roads on mesas above the lake. There are no homes around the lake, one thing that makes it so pristine. Lake homes have a tendency to rot when a lake ceases to be an attraction.

We came home refreshed and renewed, thinking we ought to do this more often. We tried it again the next weekend when we spent Saturday night in one of the new motels in town. Same deal. You don't have to go far to feel like you're on vacation.

From the city desk

A model of citizen democracy

By Pete Kampfer

It has become apparent that the problem solving approaches which gained prominence in the 1970s and 1980s are not sufficient to meet the increasingly complex problems that rural communities will face as we enter a new millennium. While these approaches held some promise, each had some serious shortcomings.

Despite promising intentions, the private public sector model often led to partnerships dominated by the power players who traditionally held influence within the community. Even though non-profit agencies often were the instigators of change at the community level, they were not necessarily the power leaders in the community. They were often viewed by the public-private sector simply as altruistic advocates of grass-roots interests rather than true partners in the community decision making and problem solving process. Consequently, the public private sector rarely sought to include these organizations in community governing processes. Although citizen activists were demanding to have greater say in community decision-making, and sometimes were able to manifest just enough power to say "no," they lacked the power to facilitate positive problem solving.

If communities are to counteract the environment of dysfunctional politics and effectively address local problems, all sectors of a community need to work in concert toward common ends. The issues facing America's communities are too complex for government to be held solely responsible for their resolution. This is especially true now that federal dollars are decreasing and local governments for the foreseeable future will have to make do with relatively less federal funds. Public-private partnerships alone cannot be expected to resolve local problems. With business becoming more national, and international, in scope, it is subsequently less connected to local concerns. Non-profit

organizations alone are not the answer; they are often issue based - formed to address the specific needs of each different population or neighborhood that exists within a community.

The successful communities of the 2000s will be those that find ways in which business, government, and non-profit groups work together with citizens to help a community reach its collective goals and meet its common challenges.

For business, government, nonprofits and citizens to work together effectively, *civic or safe space* must be created. Civic or safe spaces are places where individuals with diverse perspectives are brought together by leaders to resolve differences and develop strategies to address complex issues. There are already plenty of spaces to fight, blame, and take sides in our communities, safe spaces allow people to focus on public deliberation and consensus building. Such is the Colorado City Visioning Project/Process that I have been writing and speaking of since February.

The participants in the Colorado City Visioning Project/Process (*civic/safe space*) must be willing to ask challenging questions, provide honest answers, find agreements, and all be willing to undergo tough self-analysis. This model of citizen democracy can sometimes be messy and time consuming. Building agreement among individuals with different points of view requires patience and strong listening abilities. Finding those issues that diverse perspectives agree on takes time, as does addressing them in a supportive manner.

Communities using this model, however, have found that they actually save time on the *back end* of the problem solving process. Because different points of view were heard and agreements were established in an inclusive manner *up front*, the implementation has greater buy-in and goes smoother and more quickly. This *go slow to go fast* model used in hundreds of communi-

ties over the past decade also facilitates future problem-solving efforts because it helps build and enhance the community's civic infrastructure. For example, new relationships, skills, and networks are created in the process of working together.

REINVENTING DEMOCRACY IN COMMUNITY

Any community seeking to move toward this new form of democracy can expect struggle and frustration. I can cite numerous examples of communities that have adopted this model of citizen democracy and, in the process, achieved seemingly unreachable goals. "They are tackling difficult problems not in anarchic or antagonistic ways, but in ways that reflect a new kind of citizenship. It is deeper, more intimate and inclusive kind of democracy..." These communities reaffirm the belief that every community has the ability and wisdom to address any issue it faces.

Successful communities understand that addressing challenges requires different skills than those employed by previous generations of problem solvers. For communities to reinvent themselves and move toward fundamental change they must be willing to redefine what they mean by democracy, community, citizenship and leadership.

Issues don't stop communities, communities stop themselves. No challenge is too big or difficult when government, business, non-profits and citizens come together to identify shared values and to work toward common goals.

The betterment of Colorado City requires selfishness. We must learn to set aside our differences. Like the cannibal who told Mark Twain, "We understand Christianity; we ate the missionaries," I think they missed the point.

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Avoiding burnout God's way

By Larry Fitzgerald
Plainview Church of Christ

We hear a lot today about burnout. What does God have to say about avoiding burnout? Emotional burnout is not a new issue. In fact, there are many examples in the Bible, one of them is found in 1 Kings 18-19. It's about Elijah. Remember the contest and great miracle on Mt. Carmel in 1 Kings 18? God sent fire down and the whole nation turned back to God. The people rose up against the false prophets. It was a "once in a lifetime" event. Obviously, this was a big event.

However, the let down came in 1 Kings 19. The wicked Queen Jezebel was very angry. So she "put out a contract" on Elijah's life. She sent a messenger to the prophet to threaten his life. Just a few days after this great event, Elijah had to run for his life across the desert and hide in a cave. In his fear Elijah said, "God, please kill me!" I have known people who where so depressed that they actually prayed that God would take them.

This is a classic example of burnout. After nearly every mountaintop event there is a valley. After every high there is a low. With success comes stress.

The good news is that the Bible tells us that Elijah was just like us. He was a human being, he wasn't supernatural. God

used him in some miraculous ways but he was just a normal person. So we can look at his life and see the causes or the signs of burnout and the cure for burnout.

You may not need this lesson today. If you don't, congratulations. But you might someday.

What are the signs of burnout? We see them in Elijah's life. When you see them in your life you know you're headed in the wrong direction.

Signs of burnout

1. *We deprecate our worth.* We put ourselves down and say to ourselves: "I'm a nobody. My life doesn't matter. I'm insignificant. I don't count. I have no value." The prophet said this. "Elijah came to a broom tree, sat down under it, and prayed, 'Take my life. I'm no better than my ancestors'" (1 Kings 19:4).

2. *We undervalue our work.* I know this feeling well. Note how this comes out in Elijah's life.

"I have worked very hard for the Lord God of the heavens but the people of Israel have broken their covenant with You and have torn down Your altars" (1 Kings 19:19).

3. *We exaggerate our problems* when we're heading for a burnout. We overemphasize what's wrong in our lives and we ignore God's blessing in our lives. Elijah said: "I'm

the only one left and they're trying to kill me" (1 Kings 19:10b).

4. *We give up our dreams.* You lose your vision. You forget your goals. You basically want to give up. Notice what Elijah said, "He prayed that he might die. 'I've had enough, Lord,' he said."

But God understands we are burned out. He gives us a prescription. He tells us to ...

#1. *Rest your body.* In Elijah's case he slept. "God wants his loved ones to get their proper rest" (Psalm 127:2, Living Bible, paraphrased).

#2. *Release your frustrations.* This deals with the emotional side of burnout. Revealing your feeling is the beginning of healing. You're not going to get well, you're not going to get feeling good again, until you learn to express those feelings in your heart that you've been holding in. God encouraged Elijah to tell Him what was wrong in 1 Kings 19:9-10.

#3. *Refocus on God.* Get your eyes off your problem and start looking at God and His Son. Beginning with 1 Kings 19:11, God gets Elijah to listen for Him. To focus on Him.

#4. *Resume serving others.* Stop thinking about yourself -- introspection -- all the time. Start thinking about others who are less fortunate than you. In 1 Kings 19, God gave Elijah a new assignment.

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LOCAL NEWS



GIVING BACK TO C-CITY — Hochheim Prairie Branch Insurance Company handed out \$900 in donations to local organizations as an expression of support for the community. Attending the presentation were (from left) back row: Mike Ratliff, Steve Roark, Hochheim Prairie Branch 214 president; Christine Cooley, MCHV; Emma Hopper, Wallace Senior Citizen Center; Rufino Martinez, Jr., Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department; Bob Reily, KCCB; Brandon Hale, Westbrook Volunteer Fire Department; front row: Bob Ratliff, Jennifer Fales, Loraine Senior Citizen Center and Kara Wood, Girl Scouts.

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to Martinez.

"We do want to stress being careful. Have water on hand and watch it," he said.

The commissioners will continue to keep a watch on conditions.

Leon Applin appealed to the court to take action on re-opening a closed country road to give him access to his property.

The road, designated CR 301, was closed in 1999 as part of the Lone Wolf Resources clean up project and is the only access Applin has to the property.

"I never signed an affidavit to agree to closing the road," said Applin, who has appealed to three different commissioners courts, the district attorney, the sheriff and the county judge.

According to County Attorney Ty Wood there is some confusion around the steps taken to close the road in 1999, as well as ambiguity about whether the decision was an abandonment of the road, closing of the road or discontinuance of the road. "These are not interchangeable and have differ-

ent requirements," Wood said. "We should take any action we can by law to help get Mr. Applin access to his property."

However, Wood pointed out that the length of time since the road was closed might cause problems. "We may have lost our window of opportunity to fix this," he said.

The commissioners also authorized the county auditor to negotiate fees with First Choice Power as a new energy provider for the county through the Lock Group.

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nies can look at what the person started with when they were hired and compare it to post screening when injured, you can control what's happening," he said.

The difference between 8% loss of mobility and 1% loss of mobility is the difference between neck surgery and therapy, if a pre-screening showed the injured individual had a 7% loss of mobility when hired.

"The purpose is to protect, not discriminate," Feeler said.

In addition to the screenings, the company teaches employ-

Lock negotiates electric bills to find the best rates, according to Ratliff.

Currently the county has a contract with Direct Energy at 10.80 cents per kwh which expires at the end of the year.

Lock recommended three possible energy providers: First Choice Power at .06220 cents kph for 30 months; Direct Energy at .06590 kph for 30 months; or Champion Energy at .06433 for 30 months.

ees how to protect their current health state, protect themselves from getting hurt on the job, what's already wrong and where they are weak and how to protect themselves in doing their job — not just the correct way to do their job, but when and how they can do incorrect lifting without damaging their body.

"Most people doing WorkSteps see a 50% reduction in work injuries and injury-related costs in the first year," Feeling said. "The test also has measurement tools that are 99% accurate in identifying or classifying faking."

WorkSteps testing can be done through the physical therapy department at the Mitchell County Hospital, as well as other facilities. The two hour test can accommodate simultaneous employee testing.

"Customers utilizing the program will have the opportunity to be tested in the physical therapy room," said Cliff Shiller, Mitchell County Hospital. "We offer to companies our lab services, x-ray, and any services they need."

Acreage reports for small grain crops due May 3rd

The Mitchell County FSA Office wishes to remind producers that May 3, 2010 is the final day to report all small grain crops such as oats, rye, wheat, and triticale regardless of the intended use of grain, hay, grazing, green manure, etc. FSA will need to know the actual planting date when making your acreage report.

Crop acreage reporting is required to remain eligible for

price support loans, loan deficiency payments, CRP cropping history, highly erodible land requirements, CRP annual rental payments, non-insured assistance program (NAP), and any other USDA program offered.

The County FSA Committee may accept a late-filed report of acreage certification which requires a field visit to verify acreage, evidence of crop, and crop

use. A fee will be assessed for each farm separately for late file reports. For more information on this matter or any other programs offered by the Farm Service Agency contact your local FSA office. The Mitchell County FSA Office is located in the G-Kell building at 2302 North Hwy 208, Colorado City, Texas, (325) 728-2651.

Civic leaders invited to network

Community leaders in Colorado City are invited to a regional network luncheon sponsored by Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN) on April 14 at the Western Texas College Visitor Center in Snyder, 6200 S. College Ave. The luncheon is an opportunity to visit with neighboring communities, enjoy the local cuisine and discuss mutual concerns.

Each year TMCN conducts a series of network luncheons in April to bring local leaders from visiting communities together to discuss issues that affect quality

of life and local economies. The focus of the luncheons will be "How to encourage optimism at the local level in today's challenging economic climate".

Discussion at the luncheon will cover topics such as encouraging residents to shop at home, uplifting the morale of shop owners, and helping local employers with business retention and expansion.

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up must show a photo ID such as a driver's license to verify county residency. Residents may take trash to the landfill free of charge from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on April 10 in conjunction with the city wide clean up. An additional free half day at the landfill will be offered on Wednesday, April 13.

"Experience has shown that the spring clean up is larger than

the fall clean up, so KCCCB is asking for volunteers to help man the trailers for the pick ups that KCCCB will be making Saturday," Reily said.

Lunch will be served at the All Saints Episcopal Church, 304 Locust, at noon or before as the routes are finished. Lunch will be provided by the City National Bank.

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gating officer from the MCSO. Officers from the District Attorney's office, Department of Public Safety and the Colorado City Police Department assisted in serving the warrant.

RODEO

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and Mason Maddox.

Assisting Harris with the rodeo are Andrew Sauer, arena director; Blaine Lemons, livestock boss; Steve Cochran, announcer from Albany; and Karen Nachlinger and Nevada Wagner, timers.

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calls are also more efficient as dispatchers can transfer calls immediately while still taking whatever information is necessary to get help to the caller.

"We have the capability of paging out all three fire departments simultaneously," Overton said.

A proclamation proclaiming April 10-17 as National Telecommunications Week for Colorado City will be presented by the CCPD at the next city council meeting.

LODGE

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The history is also available for distribution with a minimum \$20 donation. For more information contact Dan Smith, 325-728-9045, 325-201-7599 or email: ograndan@sbcglobal.net

Smith is working on his next publication, "The Men Who Made Mitchell Lodge," honoring those of significant importance to Mitchell County, Colorado City and the Mitchell Lodge.

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Change is inevitable in County government, and I am able to address changes productively and with a positive attitude. The County Treasurer must attend 20 hours of continuing education classes every 12 months from the V.G. Young Institute at Texas A&M University. The required education allows the County Treasurer to stay well informed in all areas affecting the office.

There are many resources available to the County Treasurer's Office. They include but are not limited to State and Federal Agencies, The Texas Association of Counties and the County Treasurer's Association of Texas as well as other elected officials. I have experience working with all of these resources.

I am committed and completely qualified to perform the duties of County Treasurer in an efficient and conscientious manner. I will serve the citizens with integrity and dependability and work with other departments in the best interest of the taxpayers. I will always be available for any questions you may have concerning the County Treasurer's Office.

I am asking for your vote in the Democratic Run-Off Election. I would appreciate your support. Please return to the polls on April 13th. Your vote does count!

Thank you,

Jennifer Rivera

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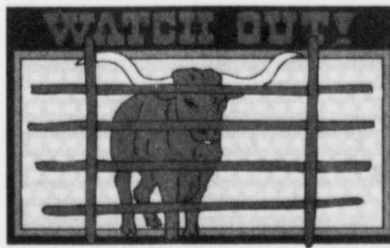
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AREA SCHOOLS LIKE Colorado Middle School received a portable disc golf basket through the Nell Holman Disc Golf for Schools Fund. Fund committee members and school representatives accepting the basket were: (from left) Tanner Harman, Ethan Camp, Rachel Beckmeyer, Mark Merrell, Monte Wike, Marge Kolman, Emily Strain, Natasha Lynch and Taylor Beckmeyer.

Area schools receive golf baskets

When the disc golf fund to raise money to build a nine hole course in Ruddick Park was successful, a new fund was established to provide portable teaching disc golf baskets for each of the Mitchell County schools.

All Mitchell County schools were included, except Westbrook, which indicated a desire to build its own course, according to Marge Kolman.

"The purpose of placing a basket/goal in each school was to

make it possible for students to develop sufficient skill in playing disc golf to enhance their enjoyment of the sport," said Kolman. "The world's fastest growing sport, disc golf is an ideal sport for all ages and is especially good for students who do not play team sports and for special education students who are unable to excel academically."

The fund raising committee for the Nell Holman Disc Golf for Schools Fund included local teenagers Taylor and Rachel Beckmeyer and Cole Strain, who are homeschooled and would not benefit from the program, Monte Wike, Christy Sparks and Marge Kolman, chairman.

The committee raised over \$2,600 and the basket goals were ordered.

"When the unassembled goals arrived, Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department staff and fire fighters cheerfully agreed to assemble the baskets," Kolman said.

BIRTHS



Dawson Shipp of Roby would like to announce the birth of his baby sister, Kailyn Grace Shipp, born March 23, 2010 at Abilene Regional Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces.

Proud parents are David and Kim Shipp of Roby. Maternal grandparents are Willis and Diane Hughes of Roscoe and Gene Shipp of Roby.

Great-grandparents are Bob and Wanza Graham of Loraine and Francis and the late George Hughes of Roscoe.



SUPPORTING THE ARTS - Members of the West Texas Art Guild recently awarded \$900 in donations to Kelley and Hutchinson Elementary schools, CMS, CHS and Wallace High School. Receiving checks from Leada Wood (left) and Carolyn Walker (right) on behalf of their schools are (from left) back row: Mark Merrell, Linda Mathis, Erin White, Melinda Alexander, Autumn Green; front row: Lexi Haag, Clancy White, Jadyn Griffith, Kaitlyn Kimball, Jeffery Delapaz, and Don Guazo. The Art Guild also awards a \$500 scholarship for a graduating senior planning to study visual arts.



THE CITY OF Westbrook's Memory Park has been dedicated in the memory of Glenda F. Fuentes, who passed away on November 24, 2009. Glenda and Ramiro shared the dream of designating and working on a park for Westbrook. She helped organize the first Easter egg hunt, along with many other events. Pictured are: (l-r) Glenda's mother, Linda Wallace; her husband, Ramiro; brothers-in-law, Ruben and Richard Fuentes and her mother-in-law, Petra Fuentes. Not pictured are brothers, Lee and James Wallace and brother-in-law, Frankie Fuentes. Picture courtesy of Pansy Fernandez.



COLORADO ISD HEAD Start students enjoyed an Easter egg hunt at Kristi Lee Manor Wednesday, March 31. There were 34 students who participated in the hunt. Those who found prize eggs were (l-r) Delmonte Adkins, Teresa Burciaga and Ezekiel Rodriguez. Photo courtesy of Kristi Lee Manor.

Angel Food Ministries comes to C-City

Angel Food Ministries has come to Colorado City.

The ministry provides boxes containing balanced nutrition and variety for disadvantaged families, school children, seniors and diabetics. There is even an allergen-free food box.

The food box program differs from the familiar food bank programs, such as the Community Mission, since recipients pay a small fee for each box. Boxes can be ordered on behalf of others, as well.

Orders for April food boxes will be taken April 7 and 13 from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 3rd and Chestnut, Colorado City; Thursday, April 8 and Monday, April 12 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Community Mission, 301 E. 3rd Street; and on Sunday, April 11 from 12 noon until 12:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

Boxes must be picked up on Saturday, April 24 from 11 a.m. until 12 noon at First Baptist Church. Any orders not picked up will be donated.

Angelfood ministries accepts cash, money orders and food stamps.

Prices vary from \$16 for a Just4Me After School Fruit Box containing 6 apples, 3 oranges, apple sauce, apple juice, 3 pears, and sweet potato, apple and banana chips to the Signature Box which feeds a family of four for a week with New York Strip Steaks, pork chops, Salisbury steaks and gravy, lean ground beef, fully cooked chicken breast chunks, sausage, carrots, corn, green beans, rice, pasta, marinara sauce, potatoes, 2% milk, a dozen eggs and dessert.

April specials include assorted meat grill box, assorted meat and chicken combo, and fresh fruit and veggie box. To see a complete listing of menus and boxes, visit the Record's website: www.coloradorecord.com

For more information contact Shannon Miller at 325-728-8063 or the First Baptist Church office 325-728-3442.

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Wilson's Weekly
Psalm 43 - The Earth is the Lord's
The Psalmist declared, "The earth is the Lord's, an all its fullness, the world and those who dwell therein" (Psalm 24:1). God does not have a limited dominion. He created the world and He is the Governor of the world. He owns the world and should be the recipient of all its produce. He should receive our praise and we should glorify Him in all that we do.
Paul preached at the Areopagus in Athens describing the Unknown God, the One True God, saying, "God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things...for in Him we live and move and have our being..." (Acts 17:24-28).
When we consider the greatness of God, it may seem that we have nothing to offer. Who could even address such a great God? David even asked, "Who may ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who may stand in the holy place?" (v.3). He was asking, "Who is it that can approach such a great God?" The answer is found in verse four: those who have clean hands and pure heart. Those whose actions and attitudes match up to what God wants from our lives can approach God in worship.
Simply put: "For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome" (1 John 5:3; Cf. John 14:15; 15:14). The earth is the Lord's and so are those who dwell within. Do we truly love God and demonstrate it by our actions and attitude? If we can help you to answer this question and to learn God's will for man, please let us know.
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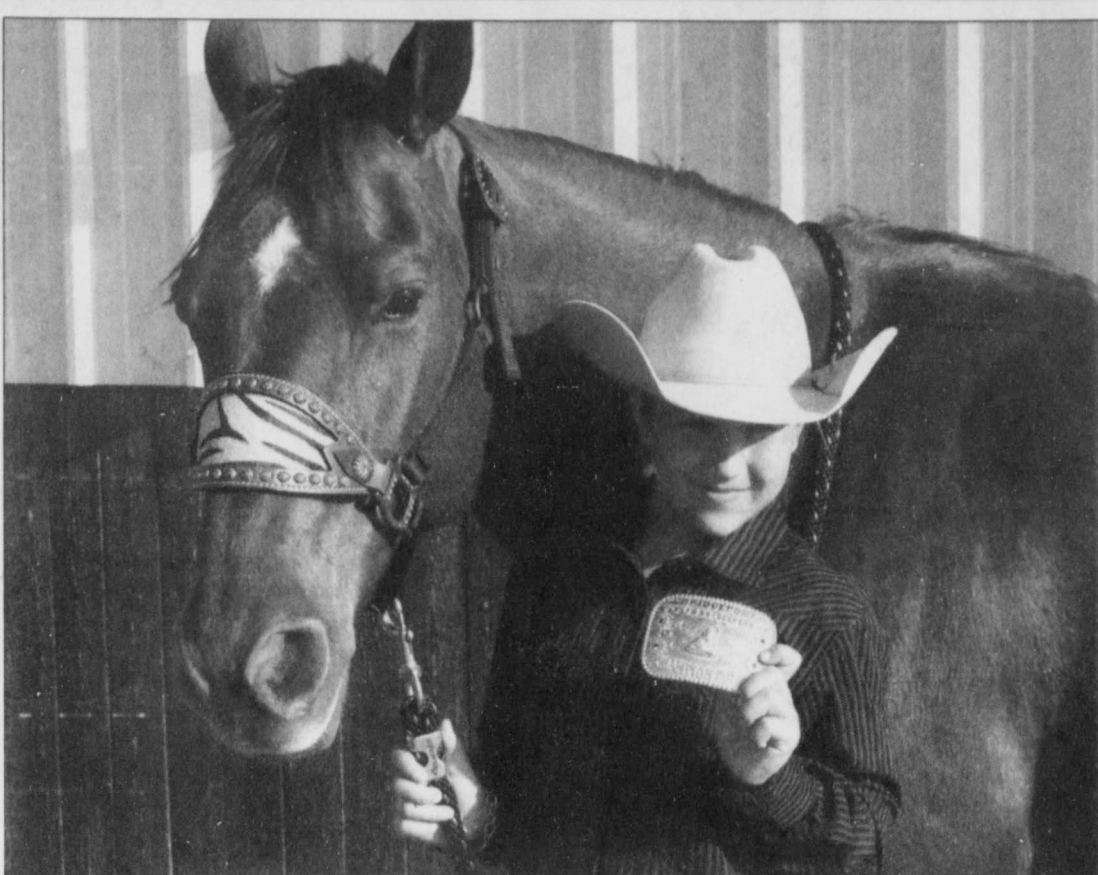
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SCHOOL NEWS



KELLEY HAS CLASS... Miss Rich's 1st grade class has been studying Dr. Seuss and they ate green eggs and ham! Students in the class include: Navy Boone, Claudia Cabrera, Talon Camp, Stormie Cosby, Geordan Flores, Jynia Garrus, Shemar Green, Chalyn Henderson, Skylar Juarez, Kirsten Lastly, Hannah Levens, Karson Martin, Destinie Nava, Melinda Ramos, Mason Randle, Matthew Rivera, Caleb Shields, and Eric Vega. Dusty Campbell is not pictured. Photo courtesy of Brynn Rich.



KATIE REES AND her horse Badger took 1st place in the poles event at the Bridgeport Youth Rodeo last weekend. Her performance earned her a buckle and \$86. Photo courtesy of Misty Rees.

Rees excels in rodeo event

Congratulations are in order for Katie Rees of Westbrook. This past weekend, Rees competed in the Bridgeport Youth Rodeo. After the dust settled, the fifth grader won the poles event, setting the fastest time of the weekend and winning a buckle and \$186 for her efforts. She also placed 3rd in barrels and 5th in goats.

Rees started taking riding lessons from Diedra Hale of Westbrook about a year and a half ago. She uses two horses in her rodeo competitions, Sunny her barrel horse and Badger her pole and goat horse.

Rees is involved in numerous rodeo organizations, including AJRA, Howard Co. Youth Horseman and WTRA. According to her trainer, she is improving with each performance.

Rees is the 11-year-old daughter of Misty and Craig Rees of Westbrook.



EXPERT JUMPERS... These Hutchinson Elementary P.E. students were the top fundraisers in the Jump Rope for Heart event held each year with proceeds benefitting the American Heart Association. Students raising over \$100 each are: (l-r) Maddie Morris, Seth Linam, Jaden Griffith, Misty Zimmerlee and Nadia Gonzales. Griffith was the top fund raiser, collecting over \$600. Gonzales raised over \$300 for the cause. As a whole, students at Hutchinson Elementary raised and contributed over \$2,300 for the American Heart Association. Photo courtesy of Christy Myers.

Local ASU student attended foreign affairs conference

Angelo State University history major Sarah Smith is attending the 2010 Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Conference this week in Annapolis, Md.

The theme of this year's conference is "National Security Beyond the Horizon: Changing Threats in a Changing World." Each year, select universities are invited to nominate an outstanding undergraduate student to attend the conference to mingle with Navy cadets, discuss significant contemporary issues, share potential solutions to modern dilemmas and hear distinguished diplomatic and political speakers. This is the second consecutive year that ASU has been invited to nominate a student.

A junior from Colorado City, Smith is a member of the ASU Honors Program. At the conference, she will also attend a roundtable discussion on "The End of Suburbia" to explore the changing face of suburbia and how dwindling fuel supplies and the changing environment may affect future community development and social interaction. She has prepared an essay for the roundtable, titled "Media Images of the Suburban Family from World War II to the Present."

Scheduled speakers at the conference include U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert Gates and former CIA Director James Woolsey. Smith's trip to the conference was made possible through the Alvin and Patricia New Honors Program Enhancement Fund.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On March 15, 2010, Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos Energy" or "the Company"), filed a Rate Review Mechanism ("RRM") filing to increase its gas rates and implement a new schedule of rates and riders. This filing is applicable to all customers within all incorporated cities served by the Mid-Tex Division, with the exception of the City of Dallas. The proposed effective date of the requested rate changes is August 1, 2010. If approved, the proposed changes will affect approximately 1,190,843 residential, 97,756 commercial, and 735 industrial and transportation customers.

If approved, the proposed rates will increase the Company's annual revenues for the affected incorporated areas of its Mid-Tex Division by \$56,826,830, or 6.04% percent, including gas costs, or 14.82% percent, excluding gas cost. The proposed change in rates constitutes a "major change" as that term is defined by Section 104.101 of the Texas Utilities Code.

Based on the proposed rate design, the typical monthly bill for each customer class within the affected incorporated areas of the Mid-Tex Division will increase by the amount and percentage shown in the table below:

Customer Class	Current Bill	Proposed Bill**	Difference	Percentage Increase with Gas Cost	Percentage Increase without Gas Cost
Residential	\$56.25*	\$60.00*	\$3.75	6.67%	16.95%
Commercial	\$213.36*	\$221.48*	\$8.12	3.81%	17.58%
Industrial	\$2164.76*	\$2277.05*	\$112.29	5.19%	20.90%
Transportation	\$635.97	\$748.27	\$112.30	17.66%	20.90%

Note: Bill impact ranges are subject to varying tax rates among the cities.

* Includes Rider GCR Part A cost of \$4.6303 per Mcf.

**The calculation of bill impacts assumes monthly consumption of 6 Mcf for residential, 30 Mcf for commercial and 300 MMBtu for industrial and transportation customers.

In addition to the rate revisions in Rate Schedules R, C, I, and T, the other proposed tariff change is an update to the factors included in Rider WNA.

Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-888-286-6700. Complete copies of the filed Rate Review Mechanism, including all proposed rates and schedule changes, are available for inspection at Atmos Energy's offices located at 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1600, Dallas, Texas 75240 or on our Web site at www.atmosenergy.com/mtx-rrm. In addition, customers can contact their respective municipality for additional information regarding this rate request.

Este es un aviso a los clientes de Mid-Tex Division de Atmos Energy Corporation (la Compañía) que la Compañía está solicitando un cambio en las tarifas del gas. Este cambio afecta a todos los clientes en las áreas incorporadas y servidas por Mid-Tex Division excepto la Ciudad de Dallas. Si usted tiene preguntas con respecto a este aumento, por favor llame a Atmos Energy Corporation al 1-888-286-6700.

SCHOOL NEWS



THE CHS BAND held try-outs for twirlers for the 2010-11 school year. Those chosen are: (l-r) Alyssa Levertson, Kalea Hubbard – captain, Sydney Upshaw – lieutenant captain and Brittany Vasquez. Photo courtesy of Tonya Hubbard.

Westbrook to hold kindergarten and pre-k registration

Westbrook ISD will hold pre-registration for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten daily from 1 to 3 p.m. beginning April 26.

Pre-registration is for children who will be 3 years of age by September 1st and meet the criteria for readiness to attend pre-kindergarten or those 5 years of age for kindergarten.

In order to register for next year's pre-kindergarten/ kindergarten classes, the following documents are required: certified birth certificates, immunization records, social security card and ID of parent/guardian enrolling the child.

For more information, please contact the school registration office at 644-2311.

ASU to offer book rental program for fall semester

To help address the high cost of textbooks, the Angelo State University Bookstore is adding a third option - renting - to the choices ASU students will have in the future to meet their needs for course books.

Starting this fall, students will have the option of buying a new text at the regular price, purchasing a used text at 75 percent of the regular price or renting a text at 50 percent of the regular price.

After renting either a new or used book, students may highlight materials or make notes in the book as they would if they had purchased it. When the semester is completed, they must return the book in acceptable condition within seven working days after end of finals.

Hutchinson Elementary names this week's Students of the Week

Students of the Week at Hutchinson Elementary are Jacob Muñoz, Jennifer Bueno and Quilton Cook.

Jacob, a 3rd grader in Mrs. Toombs' class, is the son of Richard and Michele Muñoz. He enjoys spending time with his family, and science is his favorite subject. He says playing with his friends is his favorite thing about his school.

Quilton, a 4th grader in Mrs. Matlock's class, is the son of Terry and Amber Cook. He enjoys playing with his pets, Turtle, Molly, Duck and Sally. Science is his favorite subject, and P.E. is his favorite thing about Hutchinson Elementary.

Jennifer, daughter of Manuel and Maria Bueno, is a 5th grader in Mrs. Wulfjen's class. She enjoys camping and shopping as hobbies, and math is her favorite subject. Learning, friends and field trips are her favorite things at her school.



THIS WEEK'S STUDENTS of the week are Jacob Muñoz, Jennifer Bueno and Quilton Cook. Photo courtesy of Christy Myers.

Pre-registration to be held for Loraine ISD on April 19, 2010

The Loraine school will be rounding up three and four-year-olds for a pre-registration event at the school.

Loraine ISD will hold a pre-k and kindergarten roundup on Monday, April 19 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Loraine school office. Eligible students must be three by September 1, 2010, for pre-k, and potential kindergarten

teners must be five by September 1.

Children can register for a fun and exciting adventure in Loraine pre-k and kindergarten. Children will get hands-on experiences as they learn essential skills.

Parents are asked to bring the child's birth certificate, social security card, a current immunization record, and an ID for the person enrolling the child.

There will be an immunization clinic on April 19 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The clinic is being held especially for children entering kindergarten, 1st, 7th and 8th grades. Immunization records, Medicaid cards and Chips cards should be taken to the clinic. This is a DSHS Winters Field Office Clinic.

SCHOOL MENUS

Day Care/ Head Start Breakfast Menu April 12-16
Monday – cereal, toast, juice, milk
Tuesday – cream of wheat, toast, juice, milk
Wednesday – mini corn dog, juice, milk
Thursday – yogurt, toast, juice, milk
Friday – sausage with toast, juice, milk

Day Care/ Head Start Lunch Menu April 12-16
Monday – grilled cheese, green beans, peaches, milk
Tuesday – beef stew, pickle spear, corn bread, peaches, milk
Wednesday – hot dog on a bun, pork n beans, potato chips, peaches, milk
Thursday – chicken n noodles, mashed potatoes, golden corn, orange pieces, milk
Friday – sloppy joe on a bun, tater

tots, glazed carrots, apple crisp, milk

Kelley and Hutch Breakfast Menu April 12-16
Monday – cereal, toast, juice, milk
Tuesday – pancakes, juice, milk
Wednesday – French toast sticks, juice, milk
Thursday – scrambled eggs, toast, juice, milk
Friday – cheese toast, juice, milk

Kelley and Hutch Lunch Menu April 12-16
Monday – pizza, glazed carrots, green beans, fruit, milk
Tuesday – corn dog, pork n beans, potato salad, fruit, milk
Wednesday – tuna and noodles, golden corn, texas toast, canned fruit, milk
Thursday – frito pie, refried beans, toss salad, canned fruit, milk
Friday – wolf burger, lettuce cup, fries, fruit cobbler, milk

CMS Breakfast Menu April 12-16
Monday – cereal, biscuit, sausage n biscuit, juice, milk
Tuesday – cereal, biscuit, French toast sticks, juice, milk
Wednesday – cereal, biscuit, breakfast hot pockets, juice, milk
Thursday – cereal, biscuit, cinnamon roll, juice, milk
Friday – cereal, biscuit, potato egg burrito, juice, milk

CMS Lunch Menu April 12-16
Monday – pizza, fries, calif blend w/ cheese, canned fruit, milk
Tuesday – grilled ham and cheese, glazed carrots, green beans, canned fruit, milk
Wednesday – chicken nuggets, potatoes and gravy, sweet peas, hot rolls, canned fruit, milk
Thursday – frito pie, refried beans, toss salad, canned fruit, milk
Friday – wolf cheese burgers, fries, lettuce cup, apple cobbler, milk

Westbrook ISD Breakfast Menu April 12-16
Monday – breakfast pizza, cereal, juice, milk
Tuesday – egg & cheese burrito, cereal, juice, milk
Wednesday – toast/ jelly, yogurt, cereal, juice, milk
Thursday – sausage, gravy, biscuits, jelly, cereal, juice, milk
Friday – pancake pups, cereal, juice, milk

Westbrook ISD Lunch Menu April 12-16
Monday – hot dog, oven fried potatoes, apple and orange slices, sherbet cup, milk
Tuesday – sliced turkey, mashed potatoes/ gravy, tossed salad, cinnamon apples, milk
Wednesday – teriyaki chicken, rice pilaf, English peas, cinnamon apple-sauce, milk
Thursday – taco salad, seasoned corn, fruited gelatin, milk
Friday – grilled cheese sandwich, fresh broccoli/ ranch, strawberries & peaches, milk

Loraine ISD Breakfast menu April 12-16
Monday – quesadillas, cereal, juice, milk
Tuesday – breakfast pockets, cereal, fruit, milk
Wednesday – potatoes/ eggs/ flour tortilla, cereal, juice, milk
Thursday – bagel, cereal, fruit, milk
Friday – French toast, cereal, juice, milk

Loraine ISD Lunch Menu April 12-16
Monday – enchiladas/ salsa, Spanish rice, beans ice cream, milk
Tuesday – steak fingers/ gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, cantaloupe, milk
Wednesday – lasagna, salad, English peas, mixed fruit, milk
Thursday – pizza, corn, celery sticks/ dressing, peaches, milk
Friday – hamburgers, lettuce/ tomatoes, tater tots, shape-up, milk

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SPORTS

Hawks come to Colorado City, 7th grade fly away with win over Wolves boys win district track meet

The Colorado City Lady Wolves softball team closed out the first half of the district softball schedule Tuesday evening at the Sports Complex with a 3-1 loss to the district-leading Wall Lady Hawks.

The Lady Wolves finished the first half with a 2-3 district record and hopes for a play-off spot are in sight.

"We're an inch away from being a championship team," Coaches Erin White and Jerold Epperson were saying after the game.

The Lady Wolves' lone run came when Lisa Salazar doubled and pinch-runner Reagan Costa-

bile raced home from third on an overthrow.

The Wolves committed a couple of errors in the sixth inning, allowing Wall to go up 3-1.

Emily Hicks continues to pitch well. She gave up only 4

hits while striking out 6. "She continues to get better," coaches were saying.

The Wolves take on Grape Creek Friday at the Sports Complex to get the second half underway.

Wolves lose to Wall

Wall defeated the C-City Wolves 5-2 Tuesday at the Sports Complex in C-City, ending the first half of district play.

The Wolves are 1-4 in district and host Grape Creek Friday in C-City. The Wolves defeated Grape Creek earlier this year.

C-City's offense was held in

check most of the game. Gustavo Silva singled in one run and Ryan Rivera doubled in the Wolves' other run.

Jason Rodriguez pitched the entire game for the Wolves, giving up 6 hits and striking out four.

Wolves compete in Badger Relays

Colorado High School's boys and girls track teams traveled to Merkel last week to compete in the Badger Relays. Individual results follow.

Varsity Boys

High Jump: Lorenz, 5'8". Pole Vault: Gainey, 1', 11'. Long Jump: Henderson, 4', 18'10". Triple Jump: Lorenz, 2', 38'11.5"; Aoyama, 4', 38'. Discus: Atkinson, 4', 11'4". Shot Put: Atkinson, 4', 44'1.75". 3200m Run: Rodriguez, 3', 11:26.14. 4x100m Relay: Colorado City, 6', 45.73. 800m Run: Hernandez, 1', 2:14.71; Madrid, 2', 2:15.59.

110m High Hurdles: Lemons, 3', 16.2; Aoyama, 17.96. 100m Dash: Russell, 3', 11.21. 4x200m Relay: Colorado City, 3', 1:35.45. 400m Dash: Henderson, 3', 55.50. 200m Dash: Johnson, 3', 24.00; Lemons, 4', 24.52. 1600m Run: Rodriguez, 2', 5:28.18; Madrid, 3', 5:30.23; Hernandez, 5', 5:38.83. 4x400 Relay: Colorado City, 2', 3:40.32.

Varsity Girls

High Jump: Billingsley, 2', 5'2"; Arispe, 6', 4'10". Long Jump: Warren, 2', 15'9.5". Triple Jump: Warren, 4', 32'8.25"; Billingsley, 5', 32'7". Discus: Macedo, 4', 79'5".

Shot Put: Brazier, 3', 30'11.25". 4x100m Relay: Colorado City, 3', 53.45. 4x200m Relay: Colorado City, 5', 1:56.03. 400m Dash: Vera, Colorado City, 1:07.82. 4x400m Relay: Colorado City, 2', 4:32.01.

JV Boys

Long Jump: Jackson, 2', 17'4.5". Triple Jump: Jackson, 1', 36'4.5". Discus: Rivera, 1', 116'7". Shot Put: Rivera, 5', 34'8". 3200m Run: Polanco, 4', 13:29.05. 4x100m Relay: Colorado City, 3', 40.0m Dash: Jackson, 1', 55.86. 300m Run: Rizo, 4', 48.73. 1600m Run: Polanco, 6', 6:11.48.

Lone Wolf Relays set for April 8

The Lone Wolf Relays will be held Thursday, April 8, after a couple of years absence.

Due to poor track conditions, Head Track Coach Dan Gainey canceled the relays two years ago. With a new surface installed, the relays are again going to be an annual event.

Thursday, April 8, starting with the field events at 3:30 p.m. and the running events at 6 p.m., six teams will compete for the cham-

pionship. Colorado City, Sweetwater, Snyder, Ozona, Coahoma and Friendship will all be competing for the gold medal.

Prior to the 6:30 running events, a dedication ceremony will be held to commemorate the naming of the Hollis Gainey Track at Wolf Stadium.

Anyone interested in helping with the meet, please call Coach Gainey at 242-2138.

Softball opening ceremonies Saturday

The Mitchell County Girls Softball Association will hold opening ceremonies Saturday,

April 10 beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Field 1 at Ruddick Park. The concession stand will be open

throughout the day with hamburgers and hotdogs, among other snacks, available.

There are several games scheduled throughout the day on Saturday. On Field 1, the 10 & Under Lady Wolves will take on the C-City Sting at 10:30 a.m. The 12 & Under Fury will face The Aftermath at 1 p.m., also on Field 1.

The Kryptonite, another 10 & Under team, will battle C-City Sting at 2:30 p.m. on Field 1. The last game of the day will be played by the 12 & Under Fury who will face Vendetta at

4 p.m.

On Field 2, the Fireflies will take on the Homerun Divas at 10:30 a.m. and the Cowgirls will face the Fireflies at 3 p.m. All teams consist of players 6 years old and younger.

The 8 & Under team Hot Stix will battle the Scorpions at 1 p.m. and the Lil Angels will take on the Lil Lady Wolves at 2 p.m. These games will also be played on Field 2.

Admission to the games is free. The MCGS Association urges everyone to come out and support these teams.

Vanover wins gold at District 12 track meet

The Junior High Westbrook Wildcat teams traveled to Water Valley to compete in the District 12 Zone 2 Track and Field Championships. District 12 Zone 2 consists of the following teams: Garden City, Water Valley, Robert Lee, Sterling City, Loraine, and Westbrook.

Jahari Vanover got the gold in all three of his individual events, the shotput, 110 Hurdles and 300 Hurdles. He also placed 2nd in the 1600 relay.

Jacob Morris placed 3rd in the 200, 3rd in the 800 and 2nd in the 1600 relay.

Westbrook tracksters travel to Trent

The Westbrook Wildcat and Lady Wildcat teams traveled to the Gorilla Relays in Trent on April 1, 2010.

The men's team started off strong with J.R. Jaimes placing 2nd in the discus. Richard Nelson placed in all his events getting 3rd in long jump, 5th in the 200, 6th in the 100, and 2nd in the 400 relay.

Joel Gaona had a good day winning the 800, and getting 2nd in the 1600 and the 400 relay. Casey Bass placed 3rd in the 800 and 2nd in the 400 relay and Cutter Rees placed 2nd in the 400 relay.

The Lady Wildcats began the day with Emily Harkins taking 2nd in the discus and 3rd in the shotput. Kenzey Morris also got 2nd in the long jump and 3rd in the triple jump. Reanna Krapf placed 3rd in long jump and Chelsea Martinez took 6th in the long jump.

The Wildcats will compete in the district meet in Trent on April 6th.

Trevor Lamb placed 5th in the 200 and 2nd in the 1600 relay.

Ian Hale got 6th in the 2400 Run and Ivan Rivera also placed 2nd in the 1600 relay.

The Lady Wildcats started the day with Madison Anderson placing 3rd in the triple jump, 4th in the long jump, 4th in the 100, and 4th in the 200.

Madison Rice placed 5th in the long jump and 6th in the 100.

Chelsey Lamb placed 4th in the discus and 6th in the shotput.

Kaylea Holbrook ended the day placing 4th in the 800 and grabbing the gold in the 1600.

"This was the final meet for the junior high teams and they have had an outstanding season," said Coach Terry Morris.



THE BOYS CMS 7th and 8th grade track teams competed in the district track meet last week. Jon Martinez ran his leg of the 4x400 relay helping the team place 3rd in the event. Photo by Chris Cloutier.



THE 7TH GRADE boys track team earned the championship title in last week's district track meet in Ballinger. Cody Tolle helped his team hurdle his way to 1st place. Photo by Chris Cloutier.

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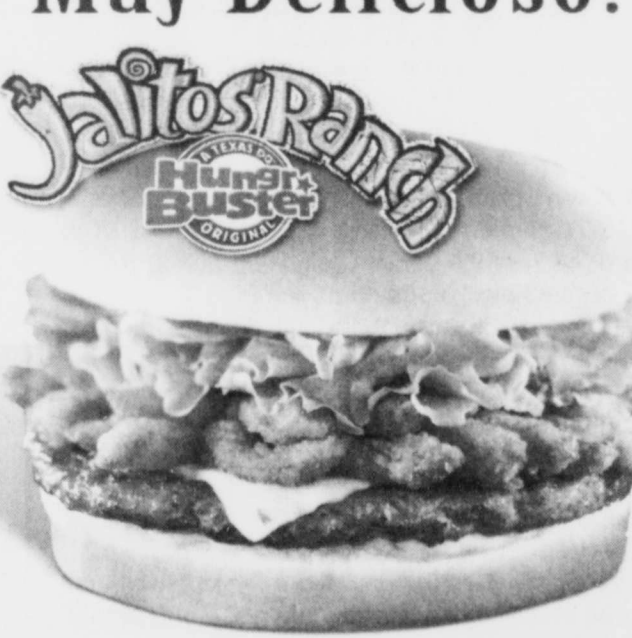
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Marge Kolman

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MITCHELL

By the virtue of Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Mitchell County, Texas, on the 26th day of March 2010, in the following case to the Sheriff directed, the following property, which is more particularly described in the judgment entered in that cause, was levied on the 5th day of April 2010, and will be sold at 10:00am on the 4th day of May 2010, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the East door of the Courthouse in Mitchell County, Texas, in the City of Colorado City, Texas, to satisfy judgment with interest and with all cost of suit in favor of Mitchell County, et al, and other taxing units and against those defendants listed in said Judgments and Order Sale.

Cause # 15,036 MITCHELL COUNTY VS LOUISE ATCHLEY WATSON Tract 1: Being all that certain .001998 Royalty Interest in the W.W. Watson -D- Lease #3750, RRC #18763, Section 20, Block 29, T-1-S, T&P, Mitchell County. Tract 2: all that certain .001998 Royalty Interest in the W.W. Watson -D- Lease #3740, RRC #18419, Section 20, Block 29, T-1-S, T&P, Mitchell County. Tract 3: all that certain .001998 Royalty Interest in the W.W. Watson A/C #3 Lease #3735, RRC #02891, Section 19, Block 29, T-1-S, T&P, Mitchell County. Tract 4: all that certain .001998 Royalty Interest in the W.W. Watson A/C #2 Lease #3733, RRC #02891, Section 19, Block 29, T-1-S, T&P, Mitchell County. Tract 5: all that certain .001998 Royalty Interest in the W.W. Watson A/C T-2414 Lease #3730, RRC #02891, Section 20, Block 29, T-1-S, Mitchell County.

Cause #13, 076 MITCHELL COUNTY VS JIM WILLIAMS AKA JAMES WILLIAMS et al. All the East half of Lots 4, 5, 6, Block 37, Original Town Addition, Colorado City.

Cause #11, 872 MITCHELL COUNTY VS WILLIE CAMPBELL Tract 1: Lots 2 & 3, Block 2, Subdivision of Lots 5 & 6, Block 34, Waddell Martin Addition, Colorado City. Tract 2: Lot 8, Block 2, Subdivision of Lots 5 & 6, Block 34, Waddell Martin Addition, Colorado City.

Cause #15,389 MITCHELL COUNTY VS FRED SELVERA The East 26 feet Lot 3 in Block 9, Marshall's Addition #1, Colorado City.

Cause #15,405 MITCHELL COUNTY VS JOSE HERNANDEZ Lot 2, Block 4, La Union Addition, Colorado City.

Cause #15,412 MITCHELL COUNTY VS LONNIE REYNOLDS The West 52 feet and 9 inches of the South 140 feet of Lot 4, Block 3, Waddell Martin Addition, Colorado City.

Cause # 15,479 MITCHELL COUNTY VS RUBEN SILVA Lot 9, Block 69, Original Town, Colorado City. Given under my hand this the 5th day of April, 2010. Patrick Toombs, Mitchell County Sheriff.

All bidders should contact the Mitchell County Tax Office to comply with section 34.015 of the Texas Property Code.

NOTICE OF CITY OFFICERS ELECTION City of Westbrook

Notice is hereby given that a City Officers Election will be held on the 8th day of May, 2010, in the above named city for the purpose of electing the following officers for said city: Mayor. Said election will be held at the following places in said city in election Precinct 2, at WISD Community Building, 302 W. Thorne St. The polls at each of the above designated polling places shall on said election day be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Dated this 6th day of April, 2010, Ramiro Fuentes, Mayor.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City Hall, 100 North Hooper St., Westbrook, TX. Between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12 noon beginning April 26, 2010 and ending on May 4, 2010. Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Pansy Fernandez, Early Voting Clerk, P.O. Box 123, Westbrook, TX 79565. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 30, 2010.

BID NOTICE

Mitchell County Commissioners Court will receive sealed bid proposals for County's assistance to the City with the construction of the Vine Street Project. Plans and specifications are available for inspection at the Board of Economic Development office at 131 West 5th Street, Colorado City, Texas. The bid should include necessary material, equipment and labor for specific detailed portions of the engineered project, which can be obtained at the above address. The Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids dependent on the best bid or best value to Mitchell County. Bids may be mailed to Judge Ray Mayo at 349 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas 79512 and will be opened at 9:00 a.m. on May 3, 2010.

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Mitchell County Commissioners Court will receive sealed bid proposals for the sale of real property located at 780 West I-20, Colorado City, Texas being more particularly described as:

BEING 3.50 acres of land out of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 32, Block 26 of the T. & P. Railway Company Survey, Abstract No. 1352, Mitchell County, Texas and being a portion of a tract of land referred to as Tract One and all of a tract of land referred to as Tract Two, both of which are described in that certain deed conveyed to the County of Mitchell, Texas recorded in Volume 708, Page 800 of the Official Public Records of Mitchell County, Texas.

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LORAININE NEWS

By Bessie Ann Vaughn
Loraine Correspondent

Hello, *Record* readers. We hope you had a wonderful Easter and that you are in good health.

Heather and Hadley Sadler spent the weekend with their grandparents, J.A. and Yvonne Sadler and Mike Sadler. They went to Pat and Par's and Britany Sadler's for lunch.

Also, attending were Larry and Bonnie Hartline of Trent. The young folks also visited Heather's other grandmother, Louella Hall of Colorado City.

Mike and Rhonda Keller from Sweetwater spent Easter afternoon with me. They brought over good food and good conversation.

We didn't hunt Easter eggs but had fun just being together.

My friend, Beth Frost, from Fort Worth stopped by Thursday afternoon on her way to Odessa to visit her brother and family over Easter and a long weekend. She brought me a large plastic Easter egg that opened and inside were jelly beans.

She talks about a dog now. She is such a dog lover, but after losing her "Tuffie", it was like losing a family member to her. For weeks, she didn't think she wanted another, but she has now changed her mind. I'm glad!

We send our condolences out to the family and friends of Hope Rowell. She was a longtime Lorainian and is survived by family members.

Remember that Saturday, April 10th is community cleanup day. We all need to do our part to make the clean up a success. This makes our property look good and to those interested in selling or buying, it is a very important issue.

Joan Long had a nice visit from her niece and husband, Linda and Dennis Baugh from Hobbs. They came to Loraine Friday evening and went home Saturday evening.

Cassi and Jolie Alexander from Garden City visited Joan Long over the weekend.

Wanda Applin played piano at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning and her husband, Leon, led the singing. The pair sang a special song prior to the morning message.

Judy Beasley sang a song prior to the message at the Methodist Church last Sunday. Her song was entitled, "Walking My Lord Up Calvary Hill."

Connie Ponko, city secretary, reported that the Easter egg

hunt last Saturday morning was a huge success. Approximately 50 kiddoes took part in the hunt with 27 prizes awarded for various things.

The secretary and all residents are appreciative of candy eggs that people donated. The kiddoes had fun and the parents seemed to enjoy it all. The weather was nice and the park was filled with fun seekers.

The Loraine Ladies Salad Supper was held Monday night at 6 p.m. at the fellowship hall in the Methodist Church.

Judy Beasley and Debby Mitchell gave the program and the devotional for the evening. It was very well received.

They all enjoyed good food, good fellowship and a good program. A nice crowd of 22 attended.

Millie Rose had a great Easter. Her son, Sylvester Rose, from Wichita Falls came last Saturday. He took his mother out to church then on to eat lunch. Afterward, they drove around and looked at wind turbines, old home places and other places of interest to them.

Sylvester left early Monday morning, April 5th.

Christene Britton enjoyed her sister's company for Easter. Her sister, Mary Shearer from Lub-

bock, came to Loraine Saturday, April 3rd and will stay until Wednesday.

The ladies are having a nice time together.

County agent Mary McMullen gave her nutritional report to seniors about getting the nutrition one needs for the calories you spend. Her report was well received last week.

Please remember to vote on April 13th in the run-off election between Bill Preston and Ricky Bailey. There's also the run-off for county treasurer between Jennifer Rivera and Debby Guelker.

If you voted in the primary, you are required to vote the same party during the run-off election.

Cynthia Martin of Odessa will be in town this coming weekend to visit her sister, Vanessa McPeters and plans to stay a while.

The Senior Center was closed last Friday for the observance of Good Friday and no meals were served.

On March 27, we enjoyed hamburger steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, black-eyed peas, salad, fruit and a cookie.

March 29, chili was served with beans as a side dish, cornbread and pineapple upside down cake.

If you like fresh cooked spinach, you will love this recipe.

2 Tbsp. olive oil
3 garlic cloves, smashed
2 bags fresh spinach
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. lime zest
1/4 tsp. black pepper

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Lady 'Cats take down Loraine

The Westbrook Lady Wildcats swept the Loraine Lady Bulldogs in a double-header last Thursday at the Sports Complex in Colorado City.

The Wildcats won the first game 13-8 and the second 13-6.

Alex Nobles was the offensive leader for the Wildcats in the first game. Loraine's offensive efforts were led by Dehvan Neeley.

In the second game, Milina Funderburg and Reanna Krapf each collected two hits while Alicia Hernandez and Catelyn Johnston led the Lady Bulldogs' offensive efforts with two hits apiece.

Both teams matched homeruns in the second inning of game one, as Loraine's infielder Alicia Hernandez knocked in a home

run in the top of the inning and Westbrook's Alex Nobles round-

ed the bases with one in the bottom of the second inning.



SLIDING INTO THIRD, a Westbrook Lady Wildcat isn't fast enough to beat the tag by her Loraine counterpart during last Thursday's game at the Sports Complex. Photo by Dawn Hawley

VOTING

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7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Running for County Treasurer are Jennifer Rivera and Debby Guelker. Running for County Commissioner Precinct 4 are Bill Preston and Rick Bailey.

Debra Lehrmann and Rick Green will hold a run off for Justice of the Supreme Court Place 3.

All registered voters are eligible to vote in the April run off elections, even those who did not vote in the March primaries, according to County Clerk Debby Carlock.

Voters who voted in the primaries are required to vote same party during the run-off elections.

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