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Answerline

Q. Why is the CISD cafeteria serving hot dogs for Thanksgiving lunch?

A. Each year, CISD throws away about as much food as it serves for Thanksgiving lunch because many bring in food from outside. It was decided early on not to serve traditional Thanksgiving food, so Cafeteria Director Becky Sanford picked one of the kids' favorite meals as a replacement.

Briefs

Bake Sale

The Mitchell County Healthcare Volunteers will hold their annual bake sale on Tues., Nov. 21st from 8:30 a.m. until everything is sold out. All proceeds benefit special projects of the volunteers and MCHD.

Garden Club

The Colorado City Garden Club will meet in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church for a catered luncheon by Roxie Strain on Friday, December 1st at 11:30 a.m. Audra and Brandon Hoback will present the program "Bringing in the Christmas season." Guests are welcome to attend. Please call or text Georgia Harris at (704) 467-6245 before November 25th for a reservation.

Thanksgiving Dinner Canceled

The community Thanksgiving dinner at New Mt. Zion Baptist Church scheduled for Saturday, November 18th has been canceled.

Parade Schedule

While the Christmas parade in Colorado City has been tentatively scheduled for Dec. 2nd, the permanent scheduling depends on Wolves' football games. The final announcement will be made as soon as possible.

Obituaries

Barbara Girvin
Colorado City

Around Town

Happy birthday Leslie Davila (Nov. 17th)... Happy birthday and get well soon Leslie Geiger (Nov. 17th)... J.D. Guess working on a sewer line... Congratulations to CISD boys & girls bringing home 2 gold trophies... District champs in football and volleyball... Cheryl Hoyle enjoying some snuggles from a baby... Pat Meynig warming her cold hands... Rhonda Roark snapping some photos... Kassandra Shoals making hardware more fun... Joe Rivera giving up a few plumbing secrets... Ask Chris Martinez what 24 tons of Crimson Red conditioner looks like...



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Filing begins for local primary election

The filing period for the March 6th Primary Election began Saturday, November 11th and continues through Monday, December 11th. A few citizens have filed to run for local offices, and new announcements can be found on page 3.

Mark Merrell has announced his intentions to run for the seat of County Judge as

a Republican candidate, currently held by Ray Mayo.

Incumbent Rick Grissam has announced he will be running for re-election as Justice of the Peace Pcts. 1&4, and incumbent James Williams has filed for another term as Justice of the Peace Pcts. 2&3. Incumbent Belinda Blessingame has also filed to

run for another term for District Clerk. All will be on the Republican ballot.

Carla Kern is running for County Clerk, the office now being held by Debby Carlock, who is retiring. Also, Brodie Harris and Ricky Bailey have filed to run for Pct. 4 County Commissioner, a seat currently held by longtime commissioner Bill Preston. All

have filed as Republican candidates.

Democratic County Chair Vickie Harmon has announced that she won't be seeking re-election, leaving the seat open for filing.

Early voting will be held February 20th through March 2nd in the lobby of the Mitchell County Courthouse.

New water meters coming to city

The city council met and approved a contract with Sensus to begin the purchase of new equipment to read water meters. The changeover will take place during the next three to four years, but the agreement was approved Tuesday night. All councilmen were present with the exception of Andrew Fuller.

Sensus is a company that provides advanced metering infrastructure, such as the equipment that allows city employees to read meters by driving by them. The signal is transferred through a radio frequency, and the channel used by the city is also used by others.

City Manager David Hoover said sharing the channel causes disruption and makes it more difficult to get good meter reads without getting out of the vehicle and going even closer to meters. Sensus is starting a changeover, so the city will have to make the change too.

The new system will allow all water meters to be read at city hall on computer after an antenna is installed on one of the water towers. Employees will be notified when anything out-of-the-ordinary happens, allowing leaks to be caught earlier. The city will be able to notify property owners faster, ultimately saving them money.

With the agreement approved,

the city will pay Sensus \$20,000 before the end of the year. The purchase will give the city 50 of the new meters and 50 boxes that send information to the computer, along with a couple of handheld devices for manual readings.

Eventually, all the meters in the city will be replaced with the new system, but that won't happen very quickly. Director of Operations Michelle Guelker said the new meters will go to new water customers at first. Then, city employees will replace old, failing meters with the new ones. The rest of the changeovers will have to wait until the city has the funds to purchase more meters.

If citizens have a question or complaint or need a meter check, they will still receive a visit from city employees for that.

In other business, Hoover told the council he has been researching organizations that provide instruction on economic development. He's also looking into webinar training for the council and grants to pay for it.

Hoover said that housing is also a problem when a community like Colorado City is looking to grow. While there are many older homes for sale, Hoover pointed out that people earning higher salaries want to live in newer homes.

"We are a poor community,"

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SAFER IN TOWN - This small group of deer were taking a stroll near the intersection of Hemphill and 20th Street in Colorado City last week. The photographer, Stuart Miller, got this shot last Thursday morning about 9:30 a.m.

Wolves to face Tulia in Lubbock for bi-district

It's playoff time and the district champion Colorado City Wolves travel to Lubbock to take on Tulia in the opening round of the Class 3A playoffs.

The Tulia Hornets are the fourth place team in District 1. Last week, the Hornets were defeated by Canadian, the state's #1 team in Class 3A.

Childress and Spearman finished in the 2nd and 3rd places re-

spectfully from that district.

Tulia may be one of the best 4th place teams, the Wolves have seen in some time. "They are very athletic," Head Coach Dan Gainey said earlier this week. "Speed is a concern and they have lots of it, especially at quarterback and running back. We've got to contain those guys."

Tulia is 2-8 on the season with their only wins coming over

Dimmit (41-0) and Highland Park (62-0). Their losses came at the hands of Panhandle, Abilene, Sanford-Fritch, Wellington, New Deal, Childress, Spearman and Canadian.

Game time is 7:30 p.m. at Lubbock Cooper Stadium this Thursday. The winner of this game will play the winner of the Tolar - Alpine game which is being played Friday in Big Spring.

Audit report heard by CISD board members

The Colorado Independent School District Board of Trustees heard the annual audit report and discussed the most recent legislative update during a regular meeting Monday night.

Michael Hamby of Merritt, McLane and Hamby was present to give the report. He began by saying the school district's administrative staff was friendly and helpful, answering all questions.

The school district received a clean, unqualified opinion, meaning all financial statements, information and practices were presented fairly. The auditor went on to say the firm looks at the ration of liquidity, or cash, compared to liabilities. Auditors like to see schools with at least a 2:1 ratio, and CISD has a 8:1 ratio.

"You're in great shape," Hamby said.

Because CISD accepted grant money from the federal government, a single audit also had to

be performed. Hamby said the district is in compliance with all federal requirements. He also said all internal controls matched as required.

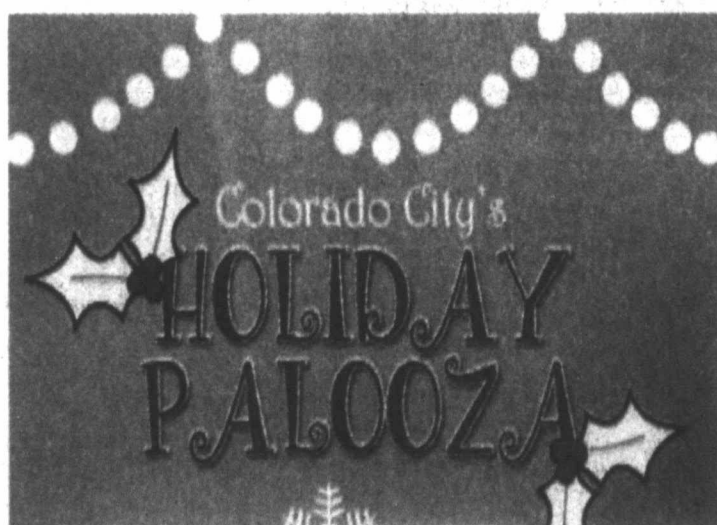
Board President Sally Neff thanked the staff for their hard work. "This is a wonderful tribute for all the hard work you do," Sheila Plagens agreed.

In other information, Superintendent Reggy Spencer talked to the board about some ongoing renovation work. Thanks to coming in under budget on the painting and updating of the CHS Auditorium and other work, the board is looking at the possibility of being able to finish the concrete work at the stadium.

No decisions were made during the meeting, various options were only discussed.

Spencer took the board through a long legislative update provided by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB). The update covered many sub-

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Enjoy the weekend at Holiday Palooza

Have you ever been to a Holiday Palooza? If not, this weekend is your chance! The Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce will host the Holiday Palooza in the Railhead Building on Saturday and Sunday, November 18th and 19th.

Booths open at 9 a.m. Saturday morning and stay open un-

til 5 p.m. that day. On Sunday, booths open at 11 a.m. and close at 4 p.m.

The whole show will begin the right way with a Holiday Palooza Kickoff Breakfast! Kiwanis Club cooks will be serving up fresh, delicious pancakes with bacon or sausage and coffee or orange

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LOCAL NEWS

MCHD recognized by rural health group

Recently, on National Rural Health Day, Mitchell County Hospital District announces it has been recognized by The Chartis Center for Rural Health/ iVantage Health Analytics and the National Organization of State Office of Rural Health (NOSORH) for overall excellence in Quality and Patient Perspective, reflecting top quartile performance among all rural hospitals in the nation.

"We are very proud of this recognition, but more so, we are proud of our team that work diligently every day to provide excellent clinical care and foster a culture weighted towards patient satisfaction," said Robbie Dewberry, MCHD CEO.

The rankings are determined each year using iVantage Health Analytics' Hospital Strength INDEX®, the industry's most comprehensive and objective assessment of rural hospital performance. In partnership with NOSORH, iVantage Health Analytics has developed a data-driven program designed to identify excellence across a broad spectrum of indicators relevant to hospital performance and patient care. The Hospital Strength INDEX captures performance met-

rics for all rural and critical access hospitals. Leveraging data from public data sources, INDEX aggregates data from more than 50 individual metrics into three major categories and eight pillars to derive a single strength overall rating for each facility.

"On this important day, as we celebrate the power of rural, it's great to recognize these top performers who are excelling in managing risk, achieving higher quality, securing better outcomes, increasing patient satisfaction, or operating at a lower cost than their peers," said Michael Topchik, National Leader of the Chartis Center for Rural Health. "These leaders serve as a benchmark for other rural facilities as they strive to achieve similar results and provide a blueprint for how to successfully run a hospital and serve their communities amidst today's uncertainty and mounting pressures."

About NOSORH

The National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health (NOSORH) was established in 1995 to assist State Offices of Rural Health in their efforts to improve access to, and the quality of, health care for America's 61 million rural citizens. NOSORH enhances the capacity of SORHs to do this by supporting the development of state and community rural health leaders; creating and facilitating state, regional and national partnerships that foster information sharing and spur rural health-related programs/activities; and enhancing access to quality healthcare services in rural communities.

About The Chartis Group

The Chartis Group (Chartis) is a comprehensive advisory and analytics service dedicated to the healthcare industry. Chartis provides strategic planning, value-based care, advanced performance, informatics and technology consulting services as well as leading-edge decision support tools to the country's leading healthcare providers. The Chartis Center for Rural Health (CCRH) was formed in

2016 to offer tailored services, performance management solutions, research and education to rural hospitals and facilities. Learn more at chartisrural.com.

About iVantage Health Analytics, a subsidiary of The Chartis Group

A subsidiary of The Chartis Group, iVantage Health Analytics (iVantage) is a leading provider of healthcare analytic and performance management analytic tools. Health system and hospital leadership teams across the country rely on the company's software and services to deliver customized insights on clinical and financial performance, strategic planning, market assessment and payment optimization. iVantage's analytics are the basis of continuing thought leadership and insight in the areas of healthcare policy and research.

OBITUARIES

Barbara Lynn (Jones) Girvin 1920-2017

COLORADO CITY – Barbara Lynn (Jones) Girvin entered into larger life in Christ on November 1st, All Saints Day, 2017. Barbara Jones was born in Coleman on December 9th, 1920. She lived in various oil camps around the state as her father was an employee of Standard Oil of California. In 1940, she married Luke "Bunk" Girvin, and they moved to the ranch south of Colorado City where they lived for the rest of their lives.



Barbara was preceded in death by her husband, Bunk in 2007. She is survived by two sons, Calvin Girvin and Bob Girvin and his wife, Joetta of Colorado City; and two grandsons, Glenn Girvin of Munich, Germany and David Girvin of Maui, Hawaii. Barbara was a rancher, mother, and school teacher. Those who knew her always remember her as a lively person who was interested in everyone and everything.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, November 18th, at 11:00 a.m. at All Saints' Episcopal Church, 304 Locust Street, Colorado City. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to our new no-kill animal shelter, Pets Needing Parents, PO Box 87, Colorado City, TX, 79512. Cremation and associated services provided by Girdner Funeral Home in Abilene.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE – Jennifer Camp and Tania Brown of Kindred at Home presented flag lapel pins to all the veterans attending the Wallace Senior Center Thursday, November 9th. Pictured are: (l-r) Jennifer Camp, Kenneth Martin, V.O. Khun, Charles Dunn, Max Tillman, Tania Brown, D.C. Stubblefield, Delbert Davis and Stephen Reese. Not pictured was Possum Mann. Photo courtesy of Julie Erwin.

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WALLACE CENTER NEWS

In observance of Thanksgiving, the Wallace Senior Center will be hosting a bake sale Tuesday, November 21st. Everyone is encouraged to bring a "homemade" cake, pie, cookies or treat for sale.

"Come eat with us and then purchase a homemade treat for your own Thanksgiving meal. Mark your calendars," Center Director Julie Erwin said.

On Thursday last week, Jennifer Camp and Tania Brown from Kindred at Home presented flag lapel pins to all veterans attending. Center visitors and staff appreciate all veterans and their service to the country.

Wallace Senior Center, 312 East 12th Street, is open three days a week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday as a meeting place for the Senior Citizens of Mitchell County. In addition to the meals, the center has many things designed to keep everyone entertained. A jigsaw puzzle is always being worked on and a fun and competitive game of Farkle are among other activities enjoyed at the Center.

The Center has a full library, exercise machines, card games, and jigsaw puzzles. Kindred at Home has a blood pressure clinic every Tuesday, 11 a.m. until noon, and sponsors Bingo games the first and third Thursdays of each month.

The center opens at 9 a.m. and closes at 2 p.m. The exercise area is open from 4 – 6, Monday thru Friday. Meals are served at noon at a cost of \$6.00.

The following will be served at the "Young at Heart Cafe"

Wednesday, Nov. 15th – Beef tips w/gravy, egg noodles, broccoli, roll, cherry fruit medley

Thursday, Nov. 16th – November Birthdays Turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, lettuce/tomato salad, roll, cherry crisp

Tuesday, Nov. 21th – Chicken tenders, seasoned fries, corn, roll, apple crisp

Wednesday, Nov. 22th – Pork chops w/gravy, mashed potatoes, Capri vegetables, toast, chocolate pudding

Thursday, Nov. 23th – Thanksgiving Day – Center will be closed

Everyone is welcome to come join the fun and enjoy a great meal.

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CANDIDATE ANNOUNCEMENTS

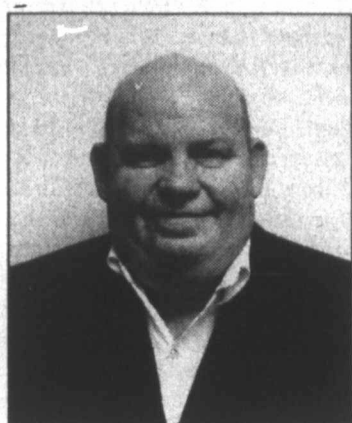
Rick Grissam, JP, Pct. 1&4

I am Rick Grissam and am currently the incumbent Justice of Peace for Precinct 1&4.

I am seeking re-election for the position of Justice of the Peace Pct. 1&4 for the constituents of Mitchell County. I have enjoyed serving the community of Mitchell County for two terms. I have past experience in law enforcement as a deputy sheriff for Mitchell County Sheriff's Office.

My wife and I and our family have enjoyed living in Mitchell County for the past 13 years. I do volunteer work with the 4-H group as an instructor for 4-H Shooting Sports and am a captain with the Loraine Volunteer Fire Department and consider them a part of my extended family. I also offer the concealed handgun class to interested parties.

I am running on the Republican ticket. However, I am your



Rick Grissam

Justice of Peace for all of the constituents of Mitchell County.

If I am re-elected, I will continue my commitment and dedication to the citizens of Mitchell County and uphold my office to the highest of standards.

Please come out and vote as each and every voice counts, and I would appreciate your support for Justice of the Peace Pct. 1&4.

FSA encourages producers to look into NAP coverage

In light of recent disasters, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) County Executive Director Boone Herring encourages all Mitchell County producers to take precautionary measures and review available USDA crop risk protection options, including federal crop insurance and Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage.

Federal crop insurance offers several products to help manage risk against crop losses from adverse weather, such as drought, hail and excessive moisture. NAP covers losses that result from damaging weather or adverse natural occurrence on eligible crops for which catastrophic coverage from federal crop insurance program is not available, including forage and grazing crops, fruits, vegetables, mushrooms, floriculture, ornamental nursery, aquaculture, turf grass, ginseng,

honey, bioenergy and industrial crops.

The following crops in Mitchell County have a NAP application for coverage deadline of December 1st, 2017: Perennial Grass, Forage or Grazing.

"NAP policies allow producers to protect their investment by applying for coverage for noninsurable crops," said Herring. "Natural disasters are an unavoidable part of farming and ranching and FSA programs like NAP help producers recover when they experience a loss."

NAP basic coverage is available at 55 percent of the average market price for crop losses that exceed 50 percent of expected production, with higher levels of coverage, up to 65 percent of their expected production at 100 percent of the average market price available, including coverage for organics and crops marketed directly to consumers.

Crops intended for grazing are only eligible for the basic coverage.

Herring is the new County Executive Director for the Scurry County FSA office. He replaced Keith Hiser, who took a promotion to District Director in January.

Federal crop insurance coverage is sold and delivered solely through private insurance agents. Agent lists are available at all USDA service centers or at USDA's online Agent Locator at <http://prodwebnlb.rma.usda.gov/apps/AgentLocator/#>. Producers can use the USDA Cost Estimator at <https://ewebapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/costestimator/Default.aspx> to predict insurance premium costs.

For more information on NAP service fees, premiums and application deadlines, contact the Mitchell County FSA office at (325)728-2651 or visit www.fsa.usda.gov/nap.

Mark Merrell, County Judge

My name is Mark Merrell, and I am announcing my candidacy for the position of Mitchell County Judge.

Mitchell County has been home for my family since 1980. During this time, I have been employed by Colorado ISD and have served in various positions including teacher, coach, and administrator, currently serving as principal of Colorado High School. I am involved in a variety of service projects where our school works with the community.

Outside the school setting, I've had the privilege to serve on several committees and boards including Mitchell County Hospital, Heart of West Texas Museum, Opera House, Butman Methodist Camp, District 16 Grievance Committee of State Bar, Special Commissioner of 32nd District Court of Mitchell County and Rotary Club.

My experience with personnel in the school system provides me the opportunity to work with



Mark Merrell

others in making important decisions for our community. Over these years, I have witnessed what can be accomplished when people work together; we have seen examples of community partnerships throughout Mitchell County. If elected Mitchell County Judge, I will work for every citizen improving the quality of life not just for today but for generations to come.

Conaway files for re-election as United States Congressman

Saturday, Congressman Mike Conaway filed for reelection with the Republican Party of Texas.

"Last November, the American people delivered a decisive victory to President Trump and the Republican party. We've spent the last year working to roll back harmful Obama era regulations, and get the American economy working again. I'm

running for reelection so that we can continue promoting solid, conservative policies that will strengthen our military, create jobs for hardworking Americans, and protect our Constitutional rights. I look forward to continuing my service to the people of the eleventh Congressional District of Texas, because I know that together we can accomplish even more," said Congressman

Mike Conaway.

Congressman Conaway currently serves as Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, Chairs the House Russia Investigation, and sits on the House Armed Services Committee as well as the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

For more information, please contact Emily Hytha at Emily@MikeConaway.com.

Tickets still on sale for December Dough drawing

Members of the Lone Wolf 4-H Chapter of Mitchell County are selling tickets for the 2nd Annual December Dough Drawing to be held December 8th. The grand prize winner gets \$1,000!

The grand prize was donated by sponsors, so each 4-H member gets to use the money he or she brings in from selling tickets. The funds will be kept by the 4-H chapter for use in the upcoming stock shows and other 4-H projects.

Cost is \$10 per ticket, and there's no need to be present to win. Tickets can be purchased from any 4-H member or at the AgriLife Extension office at 440 E. 2nd Street.

Last year, there was enough money left over to draw for a 2nd place winner. The grand prize winner, Janet McCollum, ended up donating half the prize money back to the local chapter.

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400-500 lb - \$1.25 - \$1.60			
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Belinda Blassingame, District Clerk

My name is Belinda Blassingame and I am seeking reelection for the office of District Clerk. I have enjoyed serving the citizens of Mitchell County during my first term of office and I would like to continue to serve you as the District Clerk. I have worked hard during the past three years to get a case management system up and running and have entered and scanned all pending civil, family and criminal cases and am in the process of entering and scanning all of the closed cases and historical documents. We began the eFile system in 2015 for attorneys to begin filing electronically all civil cases and beginning in 2018 we will start accepting criminal filings to be in compliance with the state mandate.

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Belinda Blassingame

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Nov. 17-19, 2017

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OPINION & COMMENTARY

TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Sweet potato royalty in Gilmer

We arrived in Gilmer the day before I was to keynote the all service club luncheon to kickoff the activities surrounding Yamboree, one of the largest festivals in Texas. It attracts upwards of 100,000 people. One of our hosts gave us tickets to the coronation of Queen Yam. I really didn't know what to expect, since Gilmer has a population of around 5,000.

As usually happens in small towns, the event exceeded my expectations by about a thousand percent. It was true pomp and circumstance on a par with a royal wedding or coronation in England. The queen and her court were presented along with a series of Duchesses, the Noble Order of the Garter and the Bearer of the Royal Scepter. Court dancers provided entertainment.

All princesses had a royal promenade around the packed auditorium and when it came time for Queen Madison Lee of the House of Dean to make her appearance, the crowd showed its appreciation with quiet respect. You could almost hear the smiles breaking across faces and heads nodding up and down. It was an elegant evening. The queen's train was at least 20 feet long. Four train guards managed the folds of material.

The coronation lasted more than two hours and the entire event was repeated the following night to accommodate the people who wanted to see it.

This is the 80th year for Yamboree. It was started in 1935, the same year Johnny Mathis was born in Gilmer. It was canceled for two years during WWII. The reason for the celebration is of course the sweet potato, a major crop in 1935 when the state encouraged communities to stage some sort of event for the state's centennial in 1936. A huge carnival takes place downtown and there are numerous contests involving yam pie and other delicacies made from the vegetable. Booths offer all kinds of merchandise and there is an antique auto show. The program listing all the events is a narrow booklet with 140 pages.

Modest stands offering sweet potatoes for sale line the streets leading downtown. Schools turn out the Thursday and Friday of Yamboree weekend because kids are showing their animals in the livestock barn.

When I was asked to speak at the all service club luncheon I had no idea it was the event where US presidents, Texas governors, heads of major industries and other prominent people have graced the podium. The crowd filled the high school gymnasium and the entire experience was a humbling one for me.

I did manage to interview some yam farmers, the president of the Yamboree Brandon Garmon and of course, Queen Yam Madison Lee Dean. Joyce Raabe is in charge of judging the yam pie contest. She told me no spices are allowed in the preparation of the pies. "It must be just sweet potato." Judges are from out of town.

Making a log cabin for a grizzly

By Monte Wike

The summer I was out of high school I worked in Montana for the Forest Service with young men from across the country. Our first job was as "brush-pilers". The pine beetles would land on a tree, bore holes, deposit their eggs and the next season the larva would kill the tree by eating its sap. The damaged trees had been identified and tagged during the winter. We had skilled woodsmen who felled the trees and cut them into huge sections. Then, we young men would lop off the branches, and walk the length of the logs to spray them with an insecticide. We used a peeve hook to turn them over and douse the underside. When we finished with a tree, we piled all the branches together so they could be torched in the winter snows. When the larva emerged in late June, it was too late to do any more good on any other damaged trees, so they moved us to another camp.

All of our garbage was deposited in a huge log-lined pit in the ground. The top was also covered including a lidded access hole. One night we heard a terrible roaring and shuffling around the pit. A bear had smelled the goodies and was trying to pry off the top to get to them. The garbage pit was only about a hundred yards from our tents, so naturally the foresters were concerned. The next night they sat up and waited for the

bear. They were actually sitting on my cot in the tent with their big guns.

Soon the bear appeared and easily got into the garbage pit which was so nearly full that his head was visible as he stood on the garbage to feed. When they shot him, he did not struggle out of the pit but fell back into it. We were in big trouble, for there was very little extra room for much garbage, and there were about 25 of us in the camp.

So, the boss assigned a kid from New York and me, from Missouri, to dig a new garbage pit. It had to be eight feet square and eight feet deep. The rest of the crew, except the cook, went off to pile up brush so there would be no debris littering the forest floor in case of fire.

We did pretty well the first few days, and then found out why they call them the "Rocky Mountains". We encountered huge boulders. We were told to move the rocks out of the hole, as long as we could, but when it got too deep, we had to break them up or dig a cave in the side of the hole and shove the rocks in there. A week or two later when the hole was finished, the saw-men felled trees and the whole crew lined it across the bottom and all the way to the top with logs. I had to leave for home about the time they were cutting trees. I guess they thought I would be there forever. It was a very remarkable summer.

We are going to run into obstacles every day of our lives. How we handle them and how we let them affect us is the key to a happy life. We had not planned on a bear getting into the garbage pit, and we never figured he would die and be buried there. We thought we would be going to the forest with the other guys, not stay at camp to dig a huge hole in the ground. But we made the best of it, clowning around and getting special food from the cook. Many obstacles, like the larger rocks, can just be rolled out of the way. But life may get so complicated that we can't budge them out of the hole. They have to be dealt with, when and where they occur, with what means are available, if your work is to be finished.

Obstacles, difficult people or a change in circumstances may certainly claim our attention. They can be stumbling blocks, or challenges to be met and dealt with. Having a rescue plan ahead of time is a good idea. But when difficulties come, it is best to remain calm, not shout or get into trouble. Take it one "rock" at a time. Move, it, break it or deal with it. But you cannot avoid them or pretend they don't exist.

A bear may cause the trouble, but a good pick and shovel can find a way around him.

"Irma" -- my first hurricane

By T.A. "Possum" Mann

She came in September of two thousand seventeen. A hurricane named Irma that I will always remember. My first to go through in 70 years. It will make a man wish he had spent more time in church.

Someone like me did not know what to think.

Finally the wind picks up and it starts to rain. I begin to wonder by staying here if I was insane. The eye of Irma was out to the west of us. We were still getting wind at 65 to 80 mile per hour gusts.

All of us in the Tampa area were expecting the worst. She came in the Florida Keys and was going up the west coast. When she came into Naples, Florida she started turning northeast. After landfall at a category four the winds started to decrease.

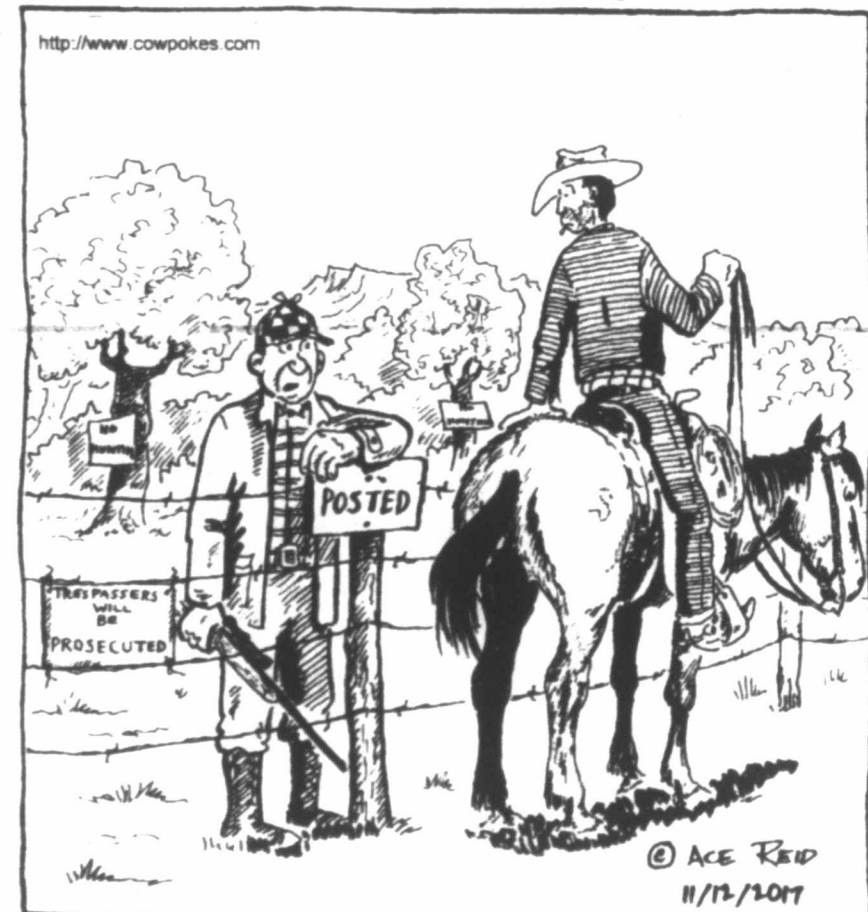
In our area by Monday afternoon Irma was gone. Trees were down everywhere and electricity was out. I was thankful I was not alone.

As she gets closer you see on TV the damage she had done. In a motel on the third floor anticipating is not fun. You hope you are ready with food to eat and water to drink.

Thank God my wife and I are fine. Irma taught me a lesson evacuation is what we will do next time.

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Nov. 20
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Lions Club Hamburger Supper

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To add an event to the calendar, please call 325-728-3413.

POLICE REPORT

On November 5th at 2:37 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 1800 block of Colorado Street in reference to a disturbance at a residence. Officer arrived and conducted an investigation. The suspect was unable to be located and a report was later completed.

On November 5th at 2:45 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 2000 block of Walnut Street in reference to a possible break-in. Officers responded and made contact with numerous individuals. After an investigation was conducted, a report for Burglary of a Building was submitted.

On November 5th at 4:56 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 2000 block of State Hwy 208 in reference to a stolen RV from the Gas 'n' Grub parking lot sometime between July 30th and August 7th, 2017. Officer made contact with the victim who had located the RV in San Angelo. An offense report for Theft was generated and forwarded to the San An-

gelo Police Department.

On November 7th at 12:01 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the area of the 2100 block of Walnut Street and 17th for a report of a reckless driver. The officer made contact with the suspect vehicle in the 2100 block of Walnut Street. One 52-year-old male subject was found to be Driving While Intoxicated. The suspect was arrested and transported to Mitchell County Jail.

On November 7th at 6:45 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 100 block of College Circle in reference to theft. The victim stated that items were stolen from the front porch of a residence following the victim leaving to move items from the house. Information was gathered and a report completed.

On November 8th at 10:05 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 2300 block of North Highway 208 in reference to an unwanted subject who was not supposed to be on the property. When

the officer arrived, a 28-year-old male with a Criminal Trespass Warning for that property was located. He was arrested without incident and taken to the Mitchell County Jail.

On November 9th at 11:30 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 400 block of East 16th Street in reference to a theft. Information was gathered, a female suspect was identified, and a report was completed.

On November 11th at 1:21 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 2200 block of Chestnut Street in reference to a stolen firearm. Officers responded and made contact with the victim and the motel's on-duty desk clerk. Officers were unable to locate the firearm but did observe some security footage which appeared to be questionable. After officers were unable to locate the firearm or a possible suspect, an offense report for Theft was generated.

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A 50S DO-WOP KIND OF OPRY — (l-r) Debby Mitchell, Charline Hays and Sara Petty were rocking their poodle skirts in honor of the era. The CCity Opry will be a 50s and 60s rock and do-wop show this Thursday at the Colorado City Opera House. Be there or be square! Photo courtesy of Mitchell.

50's & 60's music on slate at Opry

November's installment of C City Opry is going to feature a little different type of music. On Thursday, November 16th, the C City Opry will put on a 50s and 60s rock and do-wop show, and everyone is welcome to attend. Special musical guests performing will be Judy Beasley, Mike Trull, Jason Steelman on lead guitar, Brian Fowler on fiddle, Debby Mitchell on key-

board, Shady Mitchell on steel guitar, Robbie Nolan on bass guitar, Frank Bassham on piano and Kyle Herley on the drums. Doors open at 6 p.m., and show time is 7 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person. The performances promise to transport those attending back in time. Make plans now to attend the C City Opry's Rock and Do-Wop Show!

ART

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award presented, and citizens viewing the show will also choose a People's Choice Award. The art show will be judged by Judith Tereletsky of Big Spring. Registration begins at the civic center at 8 a.m. on November 18th and will continue until 10 a.m., at which time registration will close. On the day of the show, Nathalie Kelley, an artist from Scurry County, will come to the CC Thompson Room from 10 a.m. to noon to provide a demonstration. Everyone is welcome to attend this free event.

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the city manager said. "We love Colorado City. That's why we're here."

Hoover went on to say it will be in the city's best interest to attract industry-type businesses, such as an online buying center. The council agreed to help Hoover and more will be discussed on the topic at the December meeting.

Annual leases at the Colorado City Airport were approved for renewal. Lot leases cost \$25 per month or \$270 per year. Contracts approved for renewal were: Wood Family Properties, Ltd., Jarle Boe, Green Burgdorf & Co., Pro Agri Spraying, Matlock's, Don Wood, Ramage's - Alan Ramage and Gerald McGaha, Brentco Aerial Patrol, Inc., and Aurora Cooperative Elevator Company.

While discussing what council members would like to see on next month's agenda, the topic of Animal Control came up. The AC officer has been pursuing owners of dogs at large and issuing warnings and citations.

One citizen contacted a couple of the councilmen to complain that two of his employees were cited for dogs that they didn't own. By the time they went to the police department to talk with the police chief, the cases had been put on the municipal pretrial docket.

The fine for a dog at large is up to \$500. Hoover said the judge may be lenient, but that will be up to her.

It is important for dog owners to understand that your dog doesn't have to be running in

the street or on others' property to be considered at large. A councilman actually received a warning in the mail because his dog was laying in the driveway, and he wasn't there with the dog.

Also, anyone feeding a stray or allowing it to stay on their property for three days is automatically considered to be the owner of that animal.

The rest of the specifics of the ordinance can be read by all citizens at City Hall, located at 180 W. 3rd Street.

CISD

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jects, from social media to guns to food service to lice.

One of the main topics discussed was the food service update. The legislature now requires school districts to give students a five-day grace period on cafeteria charges before serving them an alternative meal. Spencer said CISD doesn't make kids eat an alternative meal, no matter the amount of charges.

The discussion flowed into the subject of CISD Cafeterias not cooking a traditional Thanksgiving meal this year. Some parents have expressed disappointment in the breaking of tradition, but it's a tradition that hasn't been working well for years.

Spencer said Cafeteria Director Becky Sanford told him the school wastes hundreds of Thanksgiving meals every year. Especially in recent years, the district has been throwing away about the same number of Thanksgiving lunches they serve because parents choose to bring in food from outside sources.

Opponents of the plan to scrap the turkey and dressing are mad because chili dogs have been chosen to replace the traditional meal. However, Sanford told a school board member that she

Councilmen Timothy Boyd and Larry Chaney both expressed the desire to have a change in the charter. Both are interested in limiting the number of absences allowed by a council member. Currently, there is no limit.

City Secretary Donna Madrid said an election is necessary to change the city charter. The council will be calling an election in January, and she said they can also call a special election to ask voters to make the change.

chose chili dogs because it's one of the students' favorite meals.

Everyone is still welcome to come have lunch with students and enjoy a chili dog or bring your own lunch.

Thanks to the Texas Legislature, school employees with License To Carry (LTC) certificates can now bring guns to school if they leave them locked inside their cars.

All parents must be notified within five days if a child in a shared class has lice. Yes, it's actually a law.

The legislature is also concerned with misconduct by educators. CISD suggests that educators not be "friends" with students on social media and to report it immediately if anything questionable takes place. Spencer stressed that everyone on social media should understand there's nothing private about social media.

Enrollment is down at CISD. Spencer said it's as low as he's ever seen it, with total enrollment in the 970s.

Though things aren't always looking up in the district, Spencer gave the schools and staff a compliment when he said, "I'm glad my kids go to school here."

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1ST PLACE – Scott Free's 1973 Dodge Challenger got the most votes in the Toys4MCKids Car Show held Saturday in the parking lot of Family Dollar. He's seen here with three of his grandkids, Ketch, Kaul and Lochlyn Free, and Kiwanianne Jan Lemons.



2ND PLACE – Shirley McMahan's 1956 Ford Thunderbird earned her a 2nd place trophy in the Toys4MCKids Car Show on Saturday. She's seen here with Scott Free (left) and Jan Lemons (right).



3RD PLACE – Mike Ratliff got 3rd place honors with his 1979 Ford Ranchero at the Toys4MCKids Car Show held Saturday in the parking lot of Family Dollar. He's seen here with Scott Free (left) and Jan Lemons (right).



SANTA'S HELPERS – Members of CC Riders and the Kiwanians banded together to hold the annual Toys4MCKids Car Show on Saturday. There were hot rods to see and vote on, hot dogs to eat and toys were collected. Those pictured are: (l-r) Mike Ratliff, Dennis and Glenda Wilson, Cole Beckmeyer, Scott Free, Shirley and Pat McMahan, Bobby Lemons, Joann Jameson and Brad Thompson.

CC Riders, Toys4MCKids annual car show has another successful year

Two charitable groups banded together Saturday to collect toys and monetary donations to help the children of Mitchell County have a happy Christmas. The annual Toys4MCKids Car Show was held on the Family

Dollar parking lot, where lots of toys and donations were collected, hot dogs were eaten and votes were cast for the favorite hot rod.

Kiwanianne President Jan Lemons said the CC Riders and

the citizens of Mitchell County helped pull off another successful show. Saturday's weather was just right for the event that drew a good crowd. Each year, the show helps the Kiwanians raise monetary funds and col-

lect toys for the Toys4MCKids toy drive.

Those attending had the opportunity to check out all the cars and cast a vote for their favorite. Each vote cost \$1, but voters also got a free hot dog.

The top three vote-getters were awarded trophies.

They were: 1st place – Scott Free, 1973 Dodge Challenger, 2nd place – Shirley McMahan, 1956 Ford Thunderbird; and 3rd place – Mike Ratliff, 1979 Ford

Ranchero.

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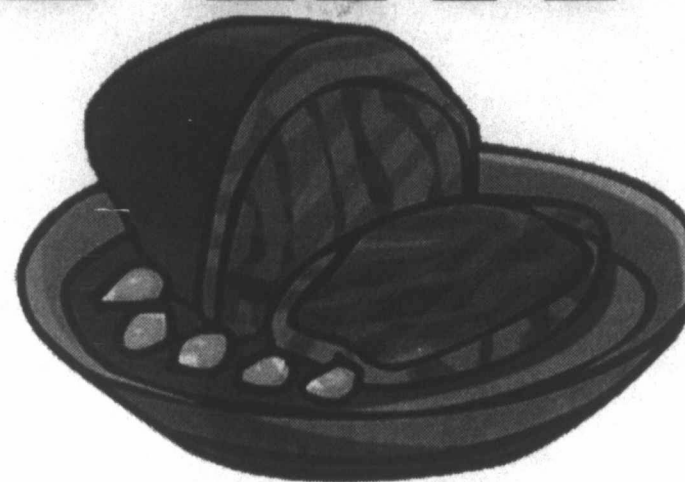
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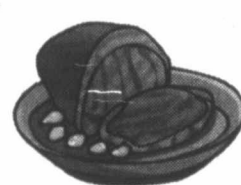


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LOCAL NEWS

Veterans honored at CHS program

On Friday, November 10th, staff and students at Colorado High School held a Veteran's Day Program to honor and recognize veterans and those currently serving in the military.

The CHS Band performed, students presented plaques to local veterans being recognized and veterans and their families were treated to lunch following the ceremony.

Several local veterans were presented plaques as recognition for their service. Some were recognized posthumously, and family members accepted the plaques on their behalf. What follows are the names and some information about the veterans recognized.

Barbara Johnson

Barbara Johnson was born in 1946 in Tennessee. She moved to California in her young years but loved to visit family during the summers in Colorado City. She enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1974. Her basic training was completed at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

During her Air Force Career, Johnson served as a vehicle operator/dispatcher, a heavy equipment operator and worked her way up to being assigned to the Command and Control Integration Center where she dealt with many important and usually top-secret missions.

While in Montana, Johnson drove officers to missile sites. She thought several officers were going to have a heart attack when they saw that she was so short she

could barely look over the steering wheel. She was assigned to the 341st Trans Squad at the Anderson Air Force Base in Guam for 2 years. During her time at McConnell Air Force Base in Kansas, Johnson's job was to make sure all the key personnel were safe. She was also stationed at Taegu Air Base in Korea, Kunsan Air Force Base in Korea and Edwards Air Force Base in California.

Johnson retired in 1994 after serving 20 years in the military moving from Boston to Colorado City with her family. She believed the military is a good way of life and hoped young adults would serve the country as she did. She lived her life to the fullest until her death in 2016.

Monty Rich

Monty Rich grew up in Colorado City and was in the first class of high school seniors to graduate from the new high school on North Lone Wolf Blvd in 1976. He joined the United States Army in 1976 at the age of 18. He was assigned to the G 3 First Cavalry Division and Infantry as a rank of E7/FSC.

Rich's basic training was done at Fort Seale, Oklahoma. He had specialist training to be a specialist of weapons as an infantryman and Advanced Infantry and Drill Sergeant Duty Training at Fort Benning in Georgia.

Rich served three years in Germany, one year in Korea with the 506-light infantry division, in France and Switzerland. He received five Good Conduct Med-

als and an Expert Infantry Badge.

He was married in 1976 and had three daughters, Jaimie, Amy and Beth. In 2011, Rich graduated from the Central Texas School of Taxidermy. He is currently working at Baker Hughes as a Service Supervisor.

Leonard Blanchett

Leonard Blanchett grew up in Dallas. In 1967, he joined the Coast Guard at the age of 17. He was assigned to the Air Sea Rescue with FN Rank. His basic training was at North Fork, Virginia.

In 1969, Blanchett was trained as a Diesel Mechanic in North Fork Virginia. One time, he had one minute to put on his wet suit to rescue a man in the water.

Blanchett was stationed in Kodiak, Alaska for one year to be part of rescue and to stop illegal fishing as the Japanese were hunting and killing whales for blubber.

During his service, he received the award of Unit Commendation for saving a vessel. Blanchett was married and had two daughters. In 1969, he was honorably discharged for being allergic to the wool uniforms.

Blanchett is a member of the Veteran's Motorcycle Club where he has ridden with his fellow veteran friends.

Henry Rivera

Henry Rivera grew up in Colorado City. In 1969, he was drafted, so he joined the U.S. Army.

Rivera completed his basic training at Ft. Polk, Louisiana where he received rifle training, bayonet training, hand to hand training and attended artillery school.

After Rivera finished his basic training, he was sent to Germany for 18 months. His job while in Germany was to pick up ammunition, and he had top clearance to ammunition dumps. He received \$100 per month while in the military.

The best event Rivera attended in Germany was Oktoberfest, which was a celebration of German Culture. He received various medals including: European Service Medal, a Defense Medal and the Marksmen Medal.

When his service duty was done, Rivera was given a \$20 bill to get him home. After he came home, he married and had one son, Adam Rivera. He also began his career with road construction.

Later, Henry married again and has two twin granddaughters that live in Iowa. Rivera said that the military taught him respect, cleanliness and self-discipline.

Wayne Parham

Wayne Parham graduated from Colorado High School in 1966. A year later he was drafted in the U.S. Army in September 1967 and did his basic training at Fort Polk, Louisiana.

After eight weeks of basic training, Parham decided to go into the Infantry and was sent to Tigerland Fort Polk to receive combat training and learn how to survive in the jungle of Vietnam. His attire in the Army was a light steel helmet and flack jacket which would protect the soldier during combat.

Parham said, "My biggest fear was that I would be captured."

He tells a story of being in a bad fire fight that lasted all day. He dove to the ground near his fellow soldiers that were wounded to help fight off the enemy. Par-

ham's helmet fell back and to this day he doesn't know what type of weapon hit his helmet. After he regained consciousness, he grabbed an M 60 weapon and kept firing until the barrel turned orange and was melted.

Another battle was on Parham's 20th birthday. He and two other soldiers were knee deep in the mud and in water up to their necks. He was wounded and believed that his flack jacket saved his life. Wayne stayed at the field hospital for two weeks.

The next month and half, Parham was sent to Cam Ranh Bay at the 6th Consultant Center. His job after each battle was to survey the damage and check for pockets of the enemy for any information that would be beneficial to the Army.

During his service, he received two Purple Heart medals, an Army Commendation Medal, and the Expert in Rifle Medal. He left Vietnam in February 1969 headed to Ft. Benning, Georgia.

Parham trained new recruits in Panama City Jungle. The training included: rifle training, hand-to-hand combat training and jungle warfare training. Parham completed his military service in two years. He attended college at McMurry University in Abilene and now lives in Mineral Wells.

Gene Parham

Gene Parham, Wayne's dad, was born and raised in Mitchell County. He spent his entire life here, with the exception of the two years he spent serving in the US Army Air Corp during WWII.

With many of his friends heading off to war, Mr. Parham also enlisted when he was only 17 years old.

However as soon as the young enlistees got to Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, they were separated and went where the Army sent them.

From San Antonio, Parham went to Greensboro, North Carolina for training.

He was shipped overseas from Virginia. It took him six days on a cruiser to sail from the east coast of the United States to Germany. Almost all the soldiers were lined up along the rail of the ship feeling seasick for most of the trip.

Parham was stationed in Fritzer, Germany for the duration of his service in WWII.

His first assignment was to guard prisoners of war captured by the US or the allies. Some of the prisoners he guarded were SS Troops. According to Mr. Parham, "They were the mean ones!" They were the ones that were locked down.

The Colorado City native said there wasn't much a problem with communication as most of the Germans spoke some English and he spoke a little German. Mr. Parham said he found the German citizens to be friendly and one of them, an artist, sketched a portrait of him in exchange for a carton of cigarettes.

Parham said he saw quite a few places that had been destroyed by bombing and combat during his time in Germany including the town of Castle.

One evening after walking home he approached a large bridge that had been guarded by two Polish soldiers. The soldiers pointed their guns at Parham so he responded by pulling a Ger-

man Ruger that he had in his boot.

"I didn't know what they were doing, but it didn't look good to me," Parham said. "They were supposed to be our allies."

Parham describes his experience in Germany as a positive experience saying that he would do it again if he could.

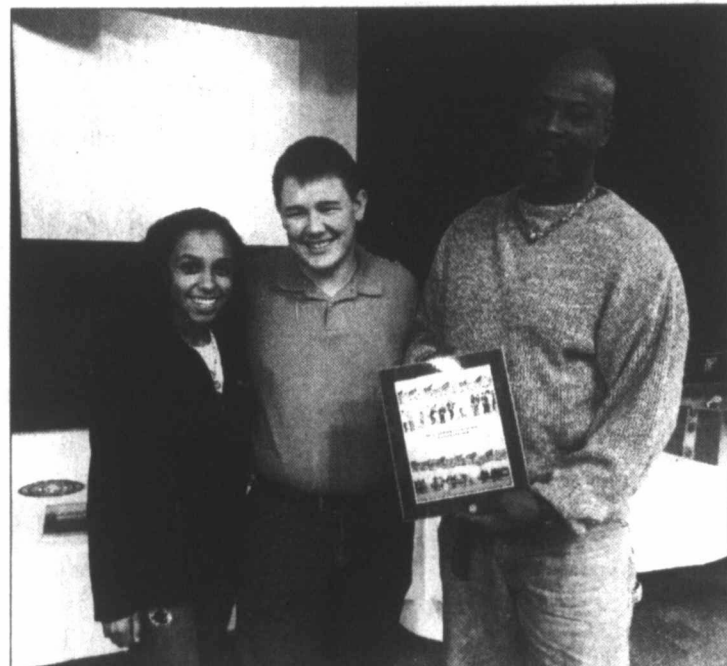
He stays healthy by walking about every day and working out at night at age 90. He believes in the Bible verse that says that your days will be long if your honor your father and mother. He also believes the scripture that says,

"Everything works for good for those that love the Lord."

Parham says, "I trust Him in everything I do. He is my life."

Family has always been very important to Mr. Parham. He was married to Isabel "Belle". Their son, Wayne, followed his dad's footsteps and joined the military.

Two years ago, Wayne requested his dad's WWII medals and documents that were lost to be returned to him. Last week these medal and documents were delivered to Wayne, who got to give them to his dad during the



ON BEHALF OF HIS MOTHER – Tony Johnson accepted a plaque in honor of his mom, the late Barbara Johnson, during the CHS Veteran's Day program on Friday. Students presenting the plaque were Noah Harrell and Courtney Wooddell.



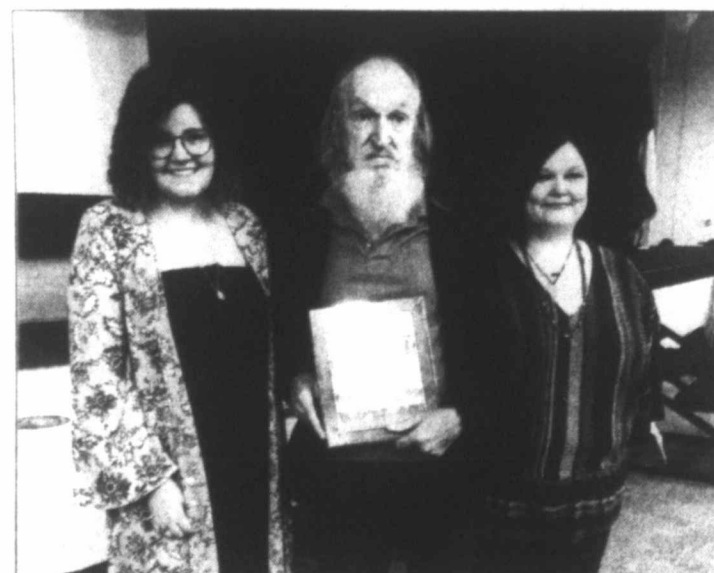
WORLD WAR II VETERAN – Gene Parham, a 90-year-old WWII veteran, was recognized and honored with a plaque during the CHS Veteran's Day program last week. His son, Wayne, was also recognized during the ceremony. Students making the presentation were Noah Harrell and Courtney Wooddell.



ON HIS BEHALF – Lynette Rich (right) was present to accept a plaque on behalf of Monty Rich during the CHS Veteran's Day program on Friday. The plaque was presented by Noah Harrell.



RESPECT AND SELF-DISCIPLINE – Those are just a couple of things Henry Rivera (right) learned while serving in the military. He was recognized and presented a plaque during the CHS Veteran's Day program last Friday. Students making the presentation were Noah Harrell and Courtney Wooddell.



HER FAVORITE HERO – CHS student Kaylee Rich (left) had the opportunity to present a plaque to her grandfather, Leonard Blanchett, in recognition of his service to the U.S. Blanchett was one of the veterans honored during the CHS Veteran's Day program last Friday. Kaylee and her mom, Lynette Rich, were present for the honor.

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SCHOOL NEWS



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – Students of the Week at Colorado Elementary School are: (l-r) Austin Long (6th grade), Jamison Naylor (4th grade), Karson Martin (8th grade), Makayla Richmond (4th grade), Angela Miller (8th grade) and Jordan Wooddell (6th grade). Photo courtesy of LeeAnn Roach.

Westbrook ISD announces 2nd six week honor roll

The Westbrook ISD has announced the honor roll students for the second six weeks of the 2017-18 school year.

Students making the "All A" honor roll include:

1st Grade

Victoria Davis, Dakota Folis, Addy Fox, Hadley Gould, Brooklyn Malone, Macy Morris, Peyton Norcutt and Remi Rainbolt.

2nd Grade

Brennand Hale, Rhyder Hoback, Davin Lara, Tucker Neal, Katelynn Salazar, Walter Whiteley and Lucas Whitesides.

3rd Grade

Ashlynn Burton, Gavin Cowart, Jose Diaz, Jr., Sadie Hale, Nathan Jones, Tyson Jones, Raene Rich.

4th Grade

Jordyn Bayes, Caleb Dawson Browne, Shelby Burrow, Grace Lynn Cannon, Geoffrey Gaona, Kate Hale, Caiden Terry, Emmitt Whiteley, Nicholas Whitesides.

5th Grade

Donnace Burton, Jeanette Cantu, Josiah Clemmer, Ryland Ginkinger, Caul Hoback, Hazel Lord, Maddy Neal.

6th Grade

Andrew Cruces, Brylee Martinez, Parker Matlock, Aiden Munoz.

7th Grade

Jadis Clemmer, Delani Fuller, Sidni Fuller, Lane Hale, Sam King, Hadley White.

8th Grade

Grace Bedenbender, Dominic Lara, Jeremiah Ramirez.

9th Grade

Trista Bowen, Bailey Connell, Zoe Matlock, Lizzy Rubio, Brooklea Stone, Jake Walters.

10th Grade

Taylor Beasley, Will Geiger, Jayden Holt.

11th Grade

Miranda Goswick, Adi Hale, Noah King, Kendall Koch, Ethan Morris, Taylor Parsons, Hadley Redwine, Syrrah Tenorio, Leah Wood.

12th Grade

Alejandro Chavez III, Ivy Gutierrez, Rosa L. Gutierrez, McKenzie, Kierra Witte.

Students making the "A" honor roll include:

1st Grade

Kypten Burton, Emily King, Christopher Klaustermeier, Paislee Muller, Kyla Rich, Adley Sullivan, Colton Whiteley.

2nd Grade

Zephyr Clanton, Zayden Pineda, Reece Ramirez.

3rd Grade

Macy Castillo, Landon Martinez, Grace Potter, Dakota Whiteley, Jonathon Williams.

4th Grade

Caleb Castillo, Damari Diaz, Unique Garcia, Tyler Ginkinger, Gavin Hall, Chance Morris, Cailyn Reyes, Shawn Salazar, Ayden Yanas.

5th Grade

Kristin Allen, Zane Beasley, Jaxson Daniel Browne, Corbin Martinez, Jalee Martinez, Katelyn Martinez, Kaden Medrano, Noah Murphree, Lexi Wood.

6th Grade

Gisell Chavez, Tyler Henderson, Conner Holt, Ethan King, Brooklyn Magers, Lexi Moore, Aiden W. Sullivan.

7th Grade

Colton Walters, Cedric Ware.

8th Grade

Reagan Hale, Jordan Magee, Braxton Magers.

9th Grade

Ivory Ballenger, Kirsten Koch, Kenan Morris.

10th Grade

Bryson Magee, Kason Proctor, Landon Strain, Alex Tenorio.

11th Grade

Erica Gutierrez, Bri Hale, Kameron Martinez, Tyler Rivera.

12th Grade

Madison Brewster, Cristobal Chavez, Jaiden Lopez, Cami Miller, Brianna Murry, Cheyenne Reyes, Gabriel Rivera, Custer Williams.



FUTURE LEADERS – The Westbrook FFA Chapter competed at the Lone Wolf FFA District Leadership Development Events contest held in Ira on Monday, November 6th. Those competing were: (back row, l-r) Kason Proctor, Jacob Walters, Landon Strain, Alex Tenorio, Jaycee Holman, Kierra Witte, Trista Bowen, Jonathan Rincones, Alejandro Chavez; (middle row) Kenan Morris, Lizzy Rubio, Bailey Connell, Taylor Parsons, Syrrah Tenorio, Kirsten Koch; (front row) Lacy Clark, Zoe Matlock, Brooklea Stone, Jayden Holt, Taylor Beasley, Mikaili Reyes, and McKenzie W. Photo courtesy of Kaci Rainbolt.

W'brook FFA members advance to area round

The Westbrook FFA Chapter competed at the Lone Wolf FFA District LDE contest held in Ira on Monday, November 6th. Several members qualified to advance to the area round of competition.

Trista Bowen placed 1st in the Greenhand Creed speaking contest and will advance to the Area II contest. Brooklea Stone placed 3rd and Jacob Walters placed 4th.

The Greenhand Quiz team placed 2nd and Kirsten Koch, Lacy Clark, Jaycee Holman, and Jacob Walters will represent Westbrook at the Area II contest. The team of Lizzy Rubio, Zoe Matlock, Bailey Connell and Kenan Morris placed 4th.

In the Sr. Creed division, Taylor Parsons placed 3rd, Taylor Beasley placed 5th, and Alejandro Chavez placed 7th. The Radio Broadcast team of Alejandro Chavez, McKenzie W., and Taylor Parsons placed 4th.

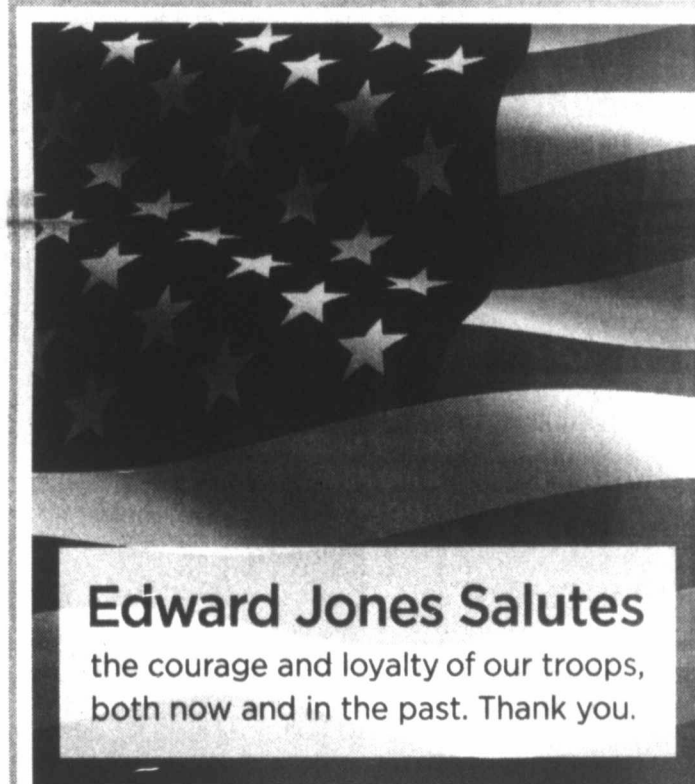
In the Sr. Quiz contest, the team of Kierra Witte, Alex Tenorio, Syrrah Tenorio, and Jayden Holt placed 6th. The team of Landon Strain, Kason Proctor, Mikaili Reyes, and Jonathan Rincones placed 13th in Sr. Quiz.

"This is the largest number of individuals and teams from Westbrook to participate in the district LDE contest. The future is bright and I am looking forward to the individual and teams

that advanced to the area contest, as well as stock show season starting soon, and CDE and Speech contests which will begin in the spring. We are super proud of all

of them," said FFA sponsor David Bray.

The Area II contest will take place on November 18th at Howard College in Big Spring.



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WISD lists perfect attendance

The Westbrook ISD has announced the perfect attendance students for the second six weeks of the 2017-18 school year.

Students with perfect attendance include:

Kelby Bayes, Taylor Beasley, Zane Beasley, Ainslee Blake, Caleb Dawson Browne, Jaxson Daniel Browne, Shelby Burrow, Ashlynn Burton, Kypten Burton, Ledger Cannon, Jo Cantu, Caleb Castillo, Macy Castillo, Josiah Clemmer, Easton Clem-

mer, Junior De Oliveira, Damari Diaz, Jose Diaz, Jr., Nohel Diaz, Pahton Dominguez, Addy Fox, Sidni Fuller, Rylie Gaston, Miranda Goswick, Adi Hale, Bri Hale, Kate Hale, Gavin Hall, Kendall Hall, Trent Henderson, Caul Hoback, Conner Holt, Cooper King, Emily King, Ethan King, Noah King, Christopher Klaustermeier, Adam Kuhel, Davin Lara, Brylee Martin, Pieper Mayfield, Kaden Gutierrez, Patrik Molina, Lexi

Moore, Macy Morris, Peighton Neal, Paislee Muller, Aiden Munoz, Maddy Neal, Remi Rainbolt, Raene Rich, Frank Rincones, Kimberly Ruth, Michael Ruth, Bailee Salazar, Katelynn Salazar, Shawn Salazar, Elishah Stark, Shammah Stark, Adley Sullivan, Caiden Terry, Daniel Urias, Dakota Whiteley, Emmitt Whiteley, Mary-Ann Whiteley, Walter Whiteley, Jonathon Williams, Brayden Yanas.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TO DISCUSS

WESTBROOK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S

State Financial Accountability Rating

Westbrook Independent School District

will hold a public meeting

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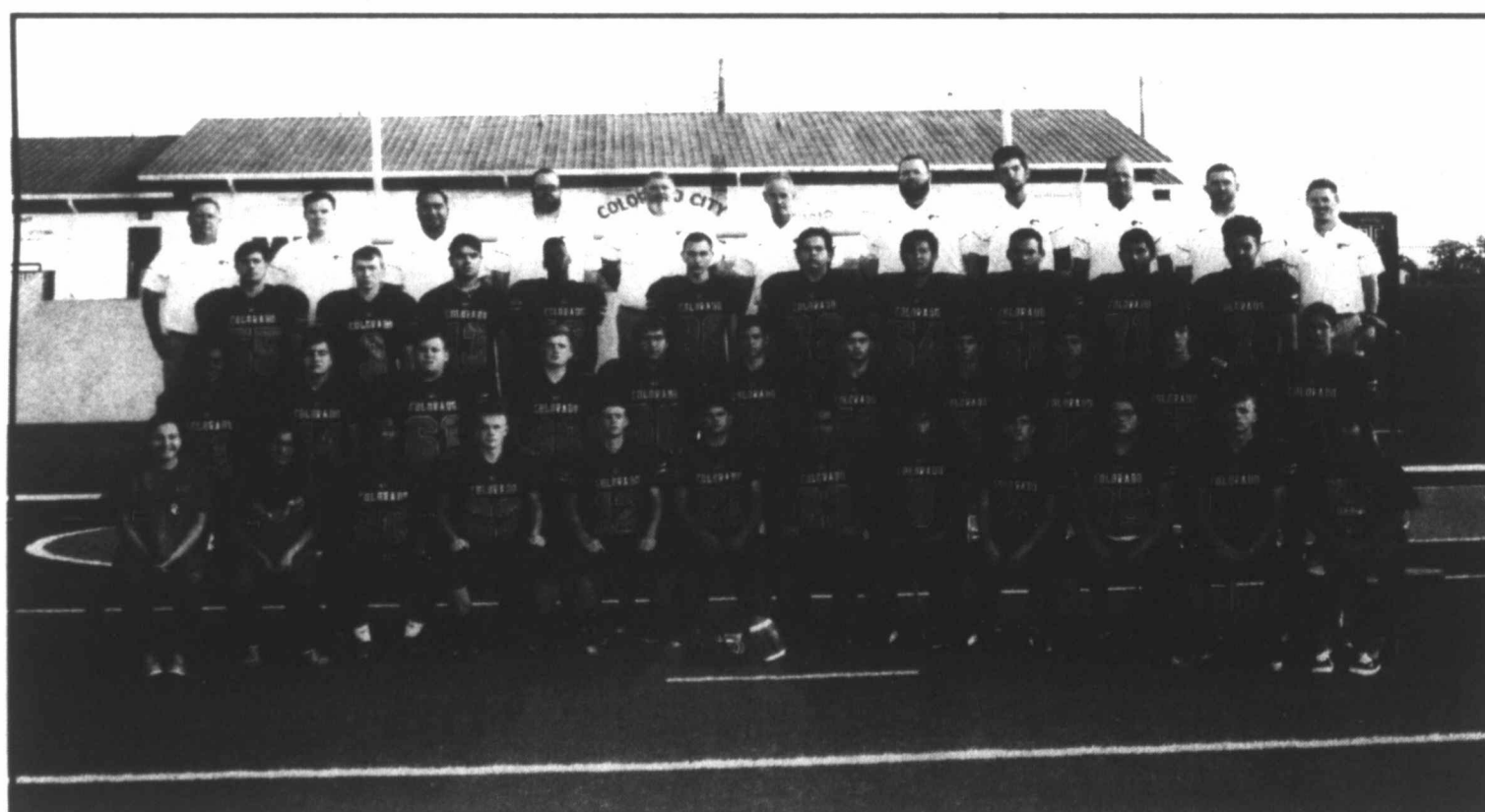
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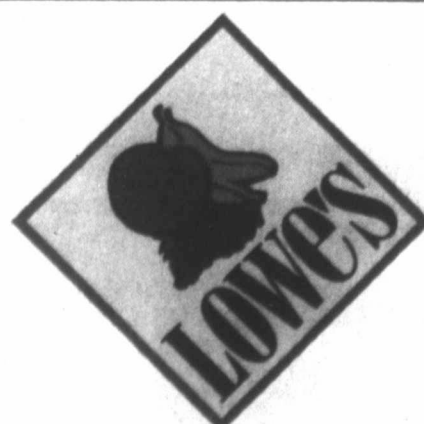
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Colorado City ends district title drought with win over Buffs

STANTON — The Colorado Wolves scratched a seven-year itch on Friday night in grand fashion. The Wolves, backed by another dominating performance by its defense, claimed its first outright district championship since 2010 with a 21-0 romp over the Stanton Buffaloes.

With the victory, Colorado City nailed down its ninth straight victory and, even more importantly, claimed the District 2-3A, Division II title, and earned the district's No. 1 seed heading into the Class 3A state football playoffs.

Without a doubt, the Colorado City defense paved the way against Stanton. The Wolves, who have not allowed an opposing offense to score in 20 consecutive quarters, forced a pair of turnovers and limited the Buffaloes to just 79 total yards en route to notching its fourth shutout in their last five outings. The only points C-City allowed during district play came via a safety on a botched punt attempt against rival Coahoma.

The Wolves flexed their defensive muscle quickly against Stanton, which qualified as the district No. 4 seed despite the loss. After the Buffaloes had opened the game with an 11-yard pass on their first play from scrimmage, Anthony Gutierrez and the CHS defense hit stride. The Wolves held Stanton to just one yard on its next three snaps and forced the first of three SHS punts.

Galvino Silva gave Colorado City good field position from there. The CHS punt return specialist fielded the Buffs' punt and returned it to the Wolf 36.

Reid Harris didn't waste any time in taking the wind out of the Buffaloes' sails. On C-City's first play, he took a pitch from Markis Monroe and raced around the end for 34 yards and a first down at the SHS 34. Three plays later, Monroe proved he could burn the Stanton defense with his legs, too. He scampered for 22 yards on a read-option play and pushed the ball to the Buff 5.

The Wolves' go-ahead touchdown didn't come easy, however. A penalty on second down for

the SHS 6 backed the Wolves into a 2nd-and-goal situation from the 16.

Monroe made sure the defense's efforts weren't wasted moments later. He capped CHS's 6-play, 64-yard march by hitting Tracy Smith with a 16-yard scoring toss on the ensuing snap. Jacob Munoz' extra-point kick staked C-City to a 7-0 advantage with 5:50 left in the first period.

Stanton had an opportunity to end the Wolves' shutout string late in the first. Cameron Yarbrough blocked a CHS punt attempt deep in the Wolves' end of the field on their second series. Stanton scooped up the block at the C-City 23.

David Ornelas and the CHS defense put the threat to rest quickly. After Ornelas and Harris had dragged down the Buffaloes' running back for a 3-yard loss on first down, Stanton misfired on a halfback pass attempt that forced the Buffaloes into a third-and-long situation. Two plays later, Monroe sacked Stanton quarterback Devin Simpson for a 7-yard loss on fourth down.

Colorado City managed to get its offense in gear midway through the second. The Wolves pushed their lead to 14-0 by piecing together an 8-play 43-yard drive that had been set up by a SHS punt from deep in its own end.

After Silva had returned the punt to the Buffalo 43, Monroe hooked up with Harris on a 15-yard pass play to the Stanton 34. Five plays later, Monroe called his own number, scrambling around the left end for 24 yards and a touchdown.

The Colorado City offense all but delivered the knockout blow to the Buffaloes in the third quarter. The Wolf offense held the ball for all but one play in the first 12 minutes of the second half. C-City's ball-control approach gave Stanton fits early in the third. After taking the kick to start the second, they reeled off a 15-play drive that ate all but 3:42 off the clock.

C-City's march came to a sad end, however. After driving to the Buffalo 34, the Wolves found

themselves facing a 4th-and-19 situation. C-City's punting attempt was shanked, resulting in Stanton taking over at their own 36.

The CHS defense breathed new life into the offense from there. Colorado City stripped Stanton's Adrian Rodriguez of the ball on the Buffaloes' first play.

The Wolves' offense didn't waste the opportunity. After short runs by Bubba Williams and Monroe had moved the ball to the Stanton 21, Erick Hernandez stepped up. The CHS senior turned a short pass into an 11-yard gain and a first-and-goal at the 10. Four plays later, Monroe lofted a 5-yard pass to Harris for a touchdown.

Monroe, who rushed for 130 yards in the contest, completed eight of his 12 passing attempts for 87 yards.

Hernandez added more salt to the Buffaloes' wound later in the fourth quarter. He thwarted the Buffs' best scoring opportunity of the game by picking off a pass in the end zone with less than four minutes left in regulation.

Colorado City, 9-1 overall, will kick off its playoff schedule this Friday when they face Tulia, the fourth-place team from the District 1-3A race. The two teams are scheduled to face off at 7:30 p.m. at Pirate Stadium in Lubbock.

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FIRST QUARTER

CC - Tracy Smith 16 yd. pass from Markis Monroe (Munoz kick)

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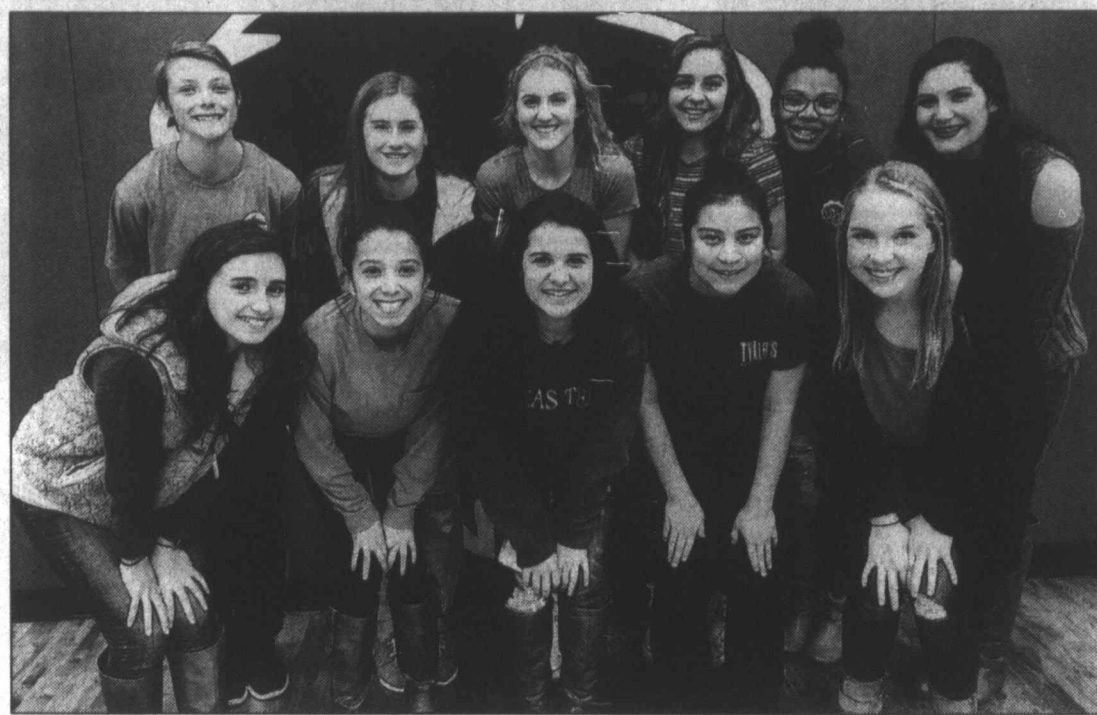
CC - Monroe 24 yd. run (Munoz kick)

FOURTH QUARTER

CC - Reid Harris 5 yd. pass (Munoz kick)

	CC	Stanton
First Downs	19	6
Rushing Yards	247	47
Carries	46	24
Passing Yards	88	32
Comp-Att-Int	8-12	2-7-1
Punts/Avg	1-2	3-33
Fumbles/Lost	3-1	4-1
Penalties - Yards	5 for 40	4 for 30

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING: Monroe 18-104; E. Hernandez 7-53; Harris 3-34; Williams 10-33; Munoz 3-25
PASSING: Markis Monroe 8-12-88 yards
RECEIVING: Harris 3-24; E. Hernandez 2-25; G. Silva 1-17; Smith 1-16; Munoz 1-6
RECORD: Colorado City 9-1



ALL-DISTRICT SELECTIONS — The All-District Volleyball team has been released and several Lady Wolves were selected. They are: (back row, l-r) Kristina Parker, Harlee Haag, Kaitlyn Kimball, Clancy White, Jalessa Williams, Taylor Epperson; (front row) Sara Roach, Deanna Wooddell, Chloe Castillo, Alexa Garza and Jadyn Griffith. Kaci Phariss is not pictured.

All-district volleyball picks named

All-District volleyball honors have been announced for District 5-AAA, and several Lady Wolves received recognition.

CHS senior Clancy White joins Clyde's Carissa McMillan in being named the district's Most Valuable Players. Another CHS senior, Taylor Epperson, was named the district's Offensive MVP, and Jadyn Griffith, also

a senior, was named Defensive MVP. Sara Roach was selected as one of two Most Valuable Setters, and she is a senior at CHS as well.

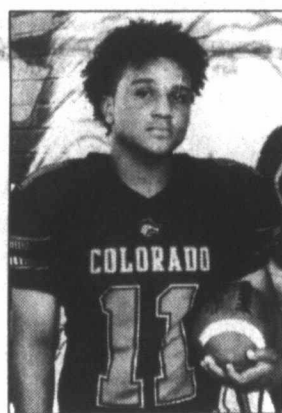
Three Lady Wolves, two seniors and one junior, were named to the 1st Team All-District. They are senior Kaitlyn Kimball, senior Deanna Wooddell and junior Kristina Parker.

Second Team All-District se-

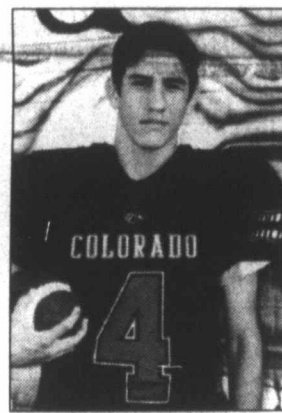
lections included three CHS seniors, Alexa Garza, Chloe Castillo and Kaci Phariss. Harlee Haag, sophomore, and Jalessa Williams, senior, received an honorable mention nod.

The Academic All-District list was also released. Roach, White, Griffith, Kimball, Phariss, Garza and Parker were also included on that list.

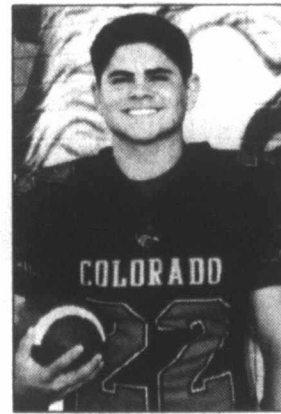
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Markis Monroe
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Player of the Week



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Defensive
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Jacob Munoz
Special Teams
Player of the Week

Great job against Stanton!
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CMS girls begin basketball season with games in Stanton

Basketball season is under way, and the CMS Lady Wolves started their season last week on the road against Stanton. The 7th and 8th grade A teams split games, with the 7th grade coming out on top and the 8th graders losing to the Lady Buffaloes.

The 7th grade girls got off to a quick start, scoring 4 points to Stanton's 0 in the first quarter. The Lady Buffaloes got on the scoreboard in the second quarter, and both teams scored 2. Colorado City led 6-2 at halftime.

The Lady Wolves scored another 4 points in the third frame of the game, while holding Stanton to 2. Colorado City managed another 4 points in the last quarter and held the Lady Buffs scoreless to come away with the 14-4 win.

"(I was) a little nervous playing our first basketball game with

only a few days to cover a ton of information. (I'm) so proud of these girls for jumping in there and not thinking twice about Stanton playing basketball from the first day of school," Coach Edie Niblett said.

Zaria Smith was the scoring leader with 6 points. Brenlye Strain, Braylee Stone, Eryn Alvarez and Kaci Rivera each pitched in two points to round out the remainder of the scoring.

The 8th graders got off to a slow start, and that's not something you can do with the Lady Buffs. Stanton beat the Lady Wolves 26-14.

The Lady Buffaloes jumped out to an early lead, scoring 7 points in the first frame of the contest, while holding the Lady Wolves scoreless. It was a first quarter that would haunt the C-City girls for the rest of the game.

The Lady Wolves did put 3 points on the board in the second quarter, but Stanton held a convincing 18-3 lead at the half. Colorado City turned up the heat in the third frame, scoring 8 points to Stanton's 7 and outscoring them 3-1 in the fourth. However, it was too little, too late, and the Lady Wolves took the first loss of the season, 26-14.

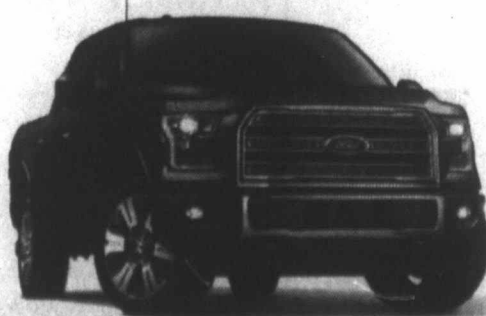
"Our 8th grade got off to a rough start or rather no start at all. We came back after the half and gave them a game. I'm proud of these girls for not giving up and hopefully our next game we'll have a better beginning," Coach Niblett said.

Taleya James was the scoring leader for the Lady Wolves with 9 points. Riley Johnson scored 3 and Mallory Kern added 2 in the contest.

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With the help of 30 businesses, the Colorado City Record will bring more cheer to the holiday season with the annual Ham Giveaway. Coupons are located inside this week's edition on Page 8 and 9.

For a chance to win a free ham, fill out the coupons and taken them to the participating stores. There's no limit on the number of coupons that can be submitted, but entries must be on official coupons to be eligible. This year, the hams are Cook's precooked shank or butt-portion hams from Lowe's Market.

The deadline for submitting coupons for the drawing is 3 p.m. on Monday, November 20th. The drawing will be held at 5 p.m. that afternoon, and winners can pick up their hams from Lowe's on Tuesday, November 21st.

The Ham Giveaway is an opportunity for local businesses to express their gratitude to their customers for their patronage. This is the 24th year local merchants have partnered with the Record to sponsor the drawing.

Participating businesses in this year's giveaway are: Buck's Café in Westbrook, Kent Kwik Chevrolet, Colorado Floral & Gifts, Auto Mart - Parts Plus, Corner Drug, Bigg's Pizza, Matlock, Lone Star Cleaners, Mary's Café, C-City Printing & Office Sup-

ply, Lowe's Market, Germania Insurance, Big Spring Federal Credit Union, Joe's Automotive, First Service Insurance, Jimbo's Garage, and The City National Bank.

Other locations with coupon boxes are: Fast Oil Change/Auto Service Center, FirstBank & Trust, The Medicine Place, Higginbotham Bartlett - Ace Hardware, Heady Auto Parts, Just

Enough in Loraine, 7 Eleven on Hickory, 7 Eleven on 2nd Street, Wood's Boots, PR Creative Media, Gas 'n' Grub, B&B One Stop and Somethin' Girlie.



ALL FOR THE CHILDREN - Members of the Mitchell County Retired School Personnel gathered Tuesday to put tags in books that will be donated to all 2nd and 3rd graders in Mitchell County. It is estimated that about 400 books were given. Pictured are: (around the table, starting on the left) Neil Gainey, Susan Farr, Patty Pharis, Sonja Hanks, Barbara Hammond, Leslie Jones, Ann Nobles, Marie Ethridge, Becky Hudgins, Frances Godwin and Beth McDaniel. Photo courtesy of Pharis.



TRUNK OR TREAT - Loraine ISD sponsored a Trunk or Treat this year, and the community pitched in to make it a great success. These two cuties, Abigail Epperson and Dakayta Givens, were among a big crowd of kids having fun at the event. Photo courtesy of Jana Edmonds.

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Lions Club pistol raffle still sold by members

Members of the Colorado City Lions Club are selling tickets for a pistol that is being raffled. The drawing for the winner will be held during the club's hamburger supper in the Railroad Building on December 2nd.

The pistol is a Smith & Wesson MP9 Shield. Tickets are \$3 each or two for \$5.

All proceeds of the drawing benefit the club's service projects, which includes helping many individuals with eyeglasses and local families in need.

Tickets can be purchased from any Lions Club member or at the Record office at 257 E. 2nd Street. For more information, call Stephanie Perez at 325-728-3413.

BIRTHS

Daniel and Amber Fisk of Colorado City are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Aryan Ray Sky Fisk. She was born November 13th at 1:43 a.m. at Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder. Aryan weighed 7 lbs 8 ozs and was 19 1/4 inches long. She was welcomed home by her siblings Brandon, Aliana, Lilli, Avanna and Daniel Ray Jr.

Proud grandparents are Duncan and Stacey Fisk of Colorado City, Tracy and Geneva Loyola of Colorado City, and Amanda Tedford of Snyder.

Rylie Plagens would like to announce the birth of her little brother, Austin Wayne Plagens, born Wednesday, October 25th at 11:39 a.m. at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo. Parents are Tyler and Kathrine Plagens of Colorado City.

Austin weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Proud grandparents are Earl and Sheila Plagens, Tonya Cooper and Jeffery Hickson, all of Colorado City.

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