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Answerline

Q. When is the first home football game for the Wolves this year?
A. The Wolves will play Albany Friday, Sept. 1st at Wolf Stadium to kick-off the 2017 home season.

Briefs

Supply Collection

The Kiwanians are collecting school supplies to donate to Colorado Middle School, 3rd through 8th grades. The supplies will be taken to the school for distribution. Donations can be taken to the Colorado City Record, 257 E. 2nd Street, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Football Signups

Signups for Colorado City Youth Tackle Football will be held Sat., Aug. 12th at 9 a.m. at the practice field across from the old middle school. Eligible players are 3rd through 6th graders. Cost is \$75 per player. For more information, call 432-268-3979.

Flag Football

Signups for Flag Football will be held at Bigg's Pizza on Fri., Aug. 11th, Mon., Aug. 14th and Wed., Aug. 16th from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Eligible players are from 4 to 11 years old. Cost is \$50 per player. For more information call 242-4790, 438-9388 or 242-3546.

Loraine Scramble

The Loraine Ex-Students Association will hold a golf scramble tournament on Fri., Sept. 15th at Wolf Creek Golf Course. Cost is \$40 and tee off time is 10 a.m. For more information, call 728-3652.

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Around Town

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MITCHELL COUNTY

Mitchell County Commissioners' Court convened Monday morning to propose a tax rate for 2018. A public hearing is not necessary, because the court is going with the effective rate, which is the tax rate required to generate the same amount of revenue as last year. However, citizens can come to court meetings and speak during the public comments session.

Court members proposed to adopt a tax rate of .608313 cents per \$100 value, the effective rate to generate the same amount of revenue as the current rate. County Judge Ray Mayo said the revenue allows the county to adopt a balanced budget.

County Auditor Heidi Harris said the proposed rate will bring in \$7,560,332 in revenue. The budget plans for expenditures to total \$7,493,519 in 2018, leaving the county with a surplus of \$66,813 if all goes according to plan.

No raises were given, but 2018 is a year that will see the county paying employees 27 times, instead of 26, due to the way the calendar falls. Every precinct budget decreased as well.

Commissioners are well aware that there are uncertainties in the financial future of the county. Commissioner Jesse Muñoz asked Harris what she put in the budget

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Tax rates being set by entities

CITY OF COLORADO CITY

Four members of the city council met Tuesday evening and proposed a tax rate to fund the city's budget for next year. With tight city finances, the council voted to propose a tax rate about two and a half cents more than the effective rate. Marcelo Alvarez and Andrew Fuller were absent.

Upon the recommendation of City Manager David Hoover, the council proposed a rate of .635613 per \$100 of property value. Because the proposed rate is more than the effective rate, the city will hold two public hearings to give citizens the chance to voice their opinion about the tax rate.

The 2016 tax rate was .602239, and the tax rate needed to generate the same revenue would be .610279, which is known as the effective rate. However, Hoover said the city has been postponing trainings for employees that are required by state law, and the extra money generated by the proposed rate will help fulfill the requirements.

Councilman Timothy Boyd called the tax rate increase a "no brainer", saying the city is going to have to change something to get enough money coming in to meet state mandates. The council agreed, and the measure passed unanimously.

After a closed session, Larry Chaney was appointed as councilman for District 2.

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Bullard film to be shown at Palace this weekend

Colorado High graduate Rankin Bullard produced a feature length movie that was shown at the Paramount Theater in Abilene. Bea and Marcus Monroe are happy to announce the movie *This Is You* will be showing this week at the 3M Palace Theater in Colorado City.

Bullard, son of Randy and Julie Bullard, spent six months writing and directing the movie. He described it as a romantic drama coming-of-age film.

Bullard, whose stage name is Rankin Dean, said the movie is family-friendly and features actors from the Abilene area. *This Is You* was self-financed and was produced on a \$2,000 budget.

He said the actors are mostly from Abilene Christian University, and the movie shows how we affect others by not being ourselves.

"We have a great cast," Bullard said. "They did a great job!"

The Colorado City native had the help of his partner, Sammy Castillo Jr. of Roby. Bullard said he met Castillo while attending classes at Western Texas College in Snyder. They have formed a production company called Beyond Star Films.

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The duo both enjoy romances and dramas and wrote the movie to appeal to all audiences. Influences cited by Dean are the 1986 movie *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* and *Sixteen Candles*, a 1984 coming of age comedy.

Bullard said he wrote and planned scenes in about one month's time, filmed over the course of three months and then the movie went into post-production for another couple of months.

A trailer of the movie was released back in June and can be seen on YouTube or on Beyond Star Films Facebook page. *This Is You* originally premiered at the Paramount, but it will be shown for the first time in Colorado City this weekend.

Movie times are Friday and Saturday, August 11th and 12th at 7:15 p.m. and on Sunday, August 13th at 2 p.m.

Bullard, who is 21, and 20-year-old Castillo aspire to make a living making movies. The young producers have more plans for *This Is You*, as they want to put the film in film festivals.

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Air humidity = water New technology being introduced



THE FUTURE OF WATER — Joe Rivera has an Atmospheric Water Generator in Colorado City. It's a new technology that converts humidity in the air into fresh water, and he's hoping it could be the start of something good for his hometown.

Colorado City native Joe Rivera is in on the ground floor of some technology that could transform the way people get water during emergencies. He's working with a group from San Antonio to bring manufacturing of Industrial Atmospheric Water Generators to Texas, and he's hoping the deal benefits his hometown in a big way.

Rivera has a smaller version of the water-producing machine north of the building that once served as a gymnasium at Kelley Elementary. It is being powered by a portable generator and is making water out of the humidity in the air, even in usually-dry West Texas.

The technology reproduces the natural phenomenon of condensation through a technique of extracting humidity from the air by mechanical refrigeration. Rivera said the machine works and produces water even on hot, dry days, but water production increases in cooler, more humid weather.

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MCHD welcomes new health care provider



GETTING SETTLED IN — Dr. Jade Ireland (left) started seeing patients at Family Medical Associates last week. She's seen here talking with hospital board member, Marsha Rickard during a reception in her honor hosted by the Mitchell County Healthcare Volunteers on Friday.

Mitchell County Hospital District is home to a new health-care provider. Dr. Jade Ireland began seeing patients last week, and she's fitting in with the small-town atmosphere.

One of the reasons Dr. Ireland has integrated so well into life in Colorado City is because she is from a small town herself. She hails from Hale Center, a small agricultural community near Plainview.

The Mitchell County Healthcare Volunteers hosted a reception in the new physician's honor on Friday, giving everyone the chance to meet her. She said small towns are her niche, and she's enjoyed her time in Mitchell County.

"So far, it's been great," she said Friday. "I grew up on a farm in a place where everyone knows everyone." She went on to say she's looking forward to a practice where she can get to know her patients.

As a family medicine physician, Dr. Ireland specializes in women's health and well-child visits. She hopes to work toward doing some pre-natal care for pregnant women up to their third trimester in the future. But, for now, she's getting her feet on the ground.

Dr. Ireland is married to Jason, who works at Ludlum Industries in Sweetwater. She admits to having what she calls "old lady

hobbies", such as knitting, crocheting, and reading.

There's a bit of adventurous spirit there too, because she likes going camping. As a matter of fact, she and her husband have already been camping at Fisher Park at Lake Champion.

Dr. Ireland is seeing patients on a walk-in basis on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 to 9 a.m. and on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to noon and Thursdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. She's seeing patients by appointment during other clinic hours.

Friday's reception was well-attended, and the volunteers did a wonderful job of putting it together, as usual.

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LOCAL NEWS

OBITUARIES



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FUN – Adults and children celebrating Vacation Bible School at All Saints Episcopal Church enjoyed crafts, singing and much more. Those attending included (front row, left to right) Olivia Burleson, Libby Houze, June Hall, Georgia Allen, Emily Hall; (middle row, left to right) Tapley Allen, Simon Houze, Blue Jackman, Jude Houze; (back row, left to right) Marge Cropper, Andrea Burleson, Janet McCollum, Wes McCollum, Father Jared Houze, Ericka Houze, Bob Girvin and Amanda Hall. Not pictured are Turtle Hubert, Ryder Stanford, Kayse Cornutt, Virginia DeLaney, Cara Lindsay, Robin Chomout, Carla Powell, Julie Erwin and Terri Robben.

Grand jury returns indictments

The Mitchell County Grand Jury met Thursday, July 20th, and several indictments were handed down. One of the indictments made in June was also unsealed.

Cody Thomas Vining faced a variety of charges. He was indicted for Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon, a second-degree felony. He was also charged with Possession of a Prohibited Substance/Item in a Correctional Facility, a third-degree felony.

Vining pled guilty to both charges and was sentenced to time in TDCJ.

Vining was also indicted on Tamper/Fabricate Physical Evidence with Intent to Impair, a third-degree felony. The teenager also pled guilty to this charge and was sentenced to a term in TDCJ. Though the grand jury also indicted him for Burglary of a Habitation, a second-degree felony, there was an order to dis-

miss that charge.

In all, Vining was sentenced to more than 20 years in Texas state prison.

Michael Espinoza Jr. was indicted on the charge of Assault of a Public Servant, a third-degree felony. Nicholas Ray Leyse was indicted for Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Felon, which is also a third-degree felony.

The grand jury indicted Zachary Rees Clanton for Assault Family/Household Member Impeding Breath/Circulation, a third-degree felony. Gilberto Rodriguez was indicted on his 3rd charge of Driving While Intoxicated, making it a third-degree felony.

John Michael Garcia was indicted on the state jail felony of Evading Arrest/Detention with Previous Conviction. Because he had two priors, the charge was enhanced to a third-degree felony.

Two men received indictments on the charge of Burglary of a Building, which is a state jail felony. They are Jeffrey Dylan Keith Ausborn and Augustine Valdez Sr.

An indictment handed down in June has been unsealed, as the suspect was arrested. Arthur Ramos Garcia was indicted for Obstruction or Retaliation, a third-degree felony.

Ronnie Lynn Clark
1953-2017

WEATHERFORD – Ronnie Lynn Clark went to be with his Lord and Savior on July 30, 2017. He was born May 7, 1953 in Seminole.

Ronnie was raised in Andrews by his parents, L.H. and Ruby Sue Clark. He graduated from Andrews High School in 1971 and attended Sul Ross State University in Alpine. Ronnie met the love of his life Donna Elizabeth Whitmire in January of 1972 and they married April 20, 1973. God blessed them with three awesome sons, Jody Lynn, Kelly Don and Monty Allen.

Ronnie grew up in the oilfields of West Texas. He always had dreams of being a working cowboy on a ranch someday. In August of 1976, Ronnie hired on to work for the Renderbrook Spade Ranch, his life-long dream fulfilled. Ronnie was proud to ride for the brand. He loved the ranch life, and it was the best place to raise his boys.

In 1998, Ronnie left the ranch and went to work for Lone Wolf Resources, an environmental company. He traveled to Panama, Canada and Oklahoma in his work. In 2013, Ronnie was forced to retire due to his health. In February of 2014, Ronnie and Donna moved to Weatherford to be closer to their boys. In September of 2015 Ronnie started doing leather work for family and friends. He continued this labor of love until his death.

Ronnie was preceded in death by his father, L.H. Clark. Survivors include his wife, Donna Clark; sons, Jody Clark and wife Krista, Kelly Clark and wife Justa, Monty Clark and wife Amanda; 12 grandchildren, Tryston, Codi, Levi, Mikey, Kelly Neal, Kassie, Lane, Kai, Riley, Bryson, Braxton and Brooklyn; mother, Ruby Sue Clark; sister, Roxana Harper and husband Wayne; brother, Casey Clark and wife Diane; four sisters-in-law; three brothers-in-law; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held 1 p.m. Saturday, August 12, 2017 at Calvary Baptist Church, 1025 15th St., Colorado City, TX 79512. Burial will follow at Spade Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Ronnie's name to Calvary Baptist Church in Colorado City or to Encompass Hospice, 1320 South University Blvd Fort Worth TX 76107 817-263-8808.



Ben David Lancaster in Arlington. Ethelyn was a member of First Baptist Church and was active in Community Bible Study, the Gideons International Auxiliary, and the Corner Stone Sunday School class. Ethelyn was also a member of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Delta Kappa Gamma, and the Pink Ladies at Stephens Memorial Hospital. She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Beulah Wallace; and her brother, William Bowie Wallace, Jr.

Mrs. Lancaster is survived by her loving husband of 59 years, Ben David Lancaster of Breckenridge; two daughters, Kelli Jean Lancaster of Colorado City, Patricia K. Lancaster Hatten and husband Dickie of Eastland; three grandchildren, David Thomas Hatten and wife Lauren, Luke Andrew Hatten, Matthew Jacob Hatten and wife Abbey; three great grandchildren, Shelby Hatten, James Hatten, Benjamin Hatten; one sister-in-law, Mollie Foley of Marshall; one brother-in-law, Robert Lancaster of Marshall. Memorials may be made to the Gideons International Auxiliary and may be left at Morehart Mortuary. Condolences may be made online at www.morehartmortuary.net.

Atwood Kyle Sheffield
1925-2017

LORAIN – As the morning mist cleared and the sun rose on Thursday, August 3, 2017, A.K. Sheffield went to his heavenly home.

Atwood Kyle was born in Colorado City at the Colorado Sanitarium (as the hospital was called then) on September 9, 1925. He was raised in Stanton until 1938, when his parents moved to the township of Lorraine where he attended school for a year. In 1939, they moved west of Lorraine, and he attended school in Colorado City. He later attended and graduated from San Marcos Baptist Academy.

A.K. farmed until enlisting in the Navy in 1943. When WWII ended he returned to Lorraine where he was a life-long farmer.

In 1953, he married Billie Marie Chaffin of Sweetwater and they moved south of Lorraine where they resided for 63+ years. He was active in the First Baptist Church of Lorraine where he served on the Building and Grounds Committee for many years. He also served on the FHA Board, Lorraine Co-op Gin Board and was a member of the Lions Club.

A.K. was preceded in death by his parents, J.D. and Alma L. Sheffield. He is survived by his wife of 63+ years, Billie Sheffield and their three children, Jesse David and wife, Janice of Gatesville, Mildred Kelley of Carrollton, and Belinda Hailey and husband, Tom of San Antonio. He is survived by four grandchildren, Ryan Kelley of Dallas, Shane Kelley of Bentonville, Arkansas, Caitlin Kelley of Carrollton, and Lamar Berkeley Hailey III of San Antonio. He is also survived by his cousin, Jerry Hill and his wife, Yang and their family of Magnolia.

The family was present for visitation on Sunday, August 6th. A graveside service was held at the Colorado City Cemetery on Monday, August 7th at 10:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Ben Richey Boys Ranch, 501 Ben Richey Drive, Abilene, Texas 76902 or a charity of your choice.



Charles Rate Love

BAYTOWN – Charles Rate Love, 75, formerly of Colorado City passed away at the MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

Rate was a very strong-willed man with a hard work ethic and one of the best personalities one could have. He knew how to crack a good joke and how to roll with the punches, but he also knew when it was time to be serious.

He was the type of person who never met a stranger and could get along with nearly anybody. In his early years, he spent some time working in the oilfield in Odessa. He then moved to the Houston area where he was an independent crane operator, working on many different construction jobs until his health forced him into retirement in 2000. He accomplished many things in his life, but one of the biggest was overcoming one of his most-challenging obstacles: beating cancer. He was a cancer survivor for over 17 years. In his spare time, he could be seen out gardening with his wife or taking his boys to show cattle.

Rate is survived by his wife, Mary Alice Love of Baytown; by his children, Wade Love of the Dallas area, Tye Love of the Dallas area, Joseph Brewer and girlfriend Donna of Thornton, Colorado, Roger Torres of Eric, Colorado, Cecilia Cribble and husband Rex of San Antonio; and by his grandchildren, Anna Marie Cribble, McKenna Brewer, Ben Torres, Ally Torres, and Sean Brewer. He is also survived by his brothers, Waymon Love and Eldon Love, as well as by numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Durwood; and by his brother, Jimmy (Rab) Love.

A funeral service for Rate was held on Friday, August 4th at the Kiker Seale Funeral Home at 2 pm with a visitation held from 1-2 pm prior to the service. Burial followed in the Colorado City Cemetery. Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Ethelyn Lancaster
1934-2017

BRECKENRIDGE – Ethelyn Lancaster, age 83, went to be with her Lord on Sunday, July 30, 2017. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 2nd at First Baptist Church with Pastor Andy Rodgers and Dr. Genoa Goad officiating. Interment followed in the Eastland Cemetery under the direction of Morehart Mortuary. Visitation was held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 1st at Morehart Mortuary.

Ethelyn Wardine Wallace was born March 9, 1934 in Springer, New Mexico to parents William Bowie Wallace and Ollie Beulah Poole Wallace. She attended and graduated high school in Tyler. After high school, Ethelyn went on to attend Arlington State for two years and then graduated from the University of North Texas with her Bachelor's in Education. She worked as a teacher for several school districts, including Hurst, Ranger and Colorado City for 25 years before retiring in 1991. On June 7, 1958, she married



WALLACE NEWS

By Julie Erwin
Director, Wallace Senior Center

August will be a month of changes at the Wallace Senior Center. Director Cherie Dockrey is stepping down after serving for four years. I will assume the position starting September 1st.

Wallace Senior Center 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 activities designed to keep everyone entertained.

The center has a full library, exercise machines, card games, puzzles, bingo games the 1st and 3rd Thursdays after lunch. Also, Kindred at Home has a blood pressure clinic every Tuesday, 11 am until noon.

The center opens at 9 am and closes at 2 pm. Meals are served at noon at a cost of \$6.00. The following will be served at the "Young At Heart Café":

Wednesday, Aug. 9th – BBQ pork on bun, potato salad, seasoned beans, lettuce/onion/tomato, and applesauce

Thursday, Aug. 10th – Chicken salad, pasta salad, green pea salad, cucumber/tomato salad, wheat bread and fruit cup

Tuesday, Aug. 15th – Spanish beef/rice casserole, squash medley, cheese sticks, and pears

Wednesday, Aug. 16th – Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, cookie

Thursday, Aug. 17th – Ham and navy beans, mixed vegetables, cornbread and fruit cup

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

Thank You....

A very successful Vacation Bible School sponsored by All Saints Episcopal Church, closed Friday evening. This was the first event scheduled for children for the church in several years. A total of 25 adults and children participated in the three day event. The theme for the children was "The One Way Café" and the lesson plans reflected the manna and passages centered on Jesus and his feeding of the masses.

All Saints would like to thank Amanda Jo Ritchey for the donation of watermelon and cantaloupe. And Friday evening Lions Club donated ice cream and various toppings. Lions Club President Janet McCollum, along with Wes McCollum, Marge Cropper and the McCollum's grandson Blue Jackman, brought the ice cream and joined in the activities.

Thank you to Jim Baum for announcing the event on KVMC. And a special thank you to the Colorado Record for running the articles for several weeks.

All Saints would like to thank Andrea Burleson, Amanda Hall, Virginia DeLaney, Cara Lindsay, Robin Chomout, Bob Girvin, Terri Robben, Carla Powell, Julie Erwin, Ericka Houze and Father Jared Houze for helping make this a huge success.

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LOCAL NEWS

Hemphill is new club president

This year marks 30 years since Rotary launched PolioPlus, the campaign to rid the world of polio. Last week marked the year that the Colorado City Rotary passed the

presiding gavel from Robbie Dewberry to Glenda Hemphill. Hemphill is taking over the presidential duties of the club at an auspicious time, as the Rotary

District Governor is set to be in Colorado City this week. Club members were excited to treat him to a nice lunch on Wednesday at La Fe.

When asked about her plans for the future, Hemphill said she's looking forward to continuing the work with PolioPlus. She and other Rotarians will have a table set up during the hospital's annual health fair to promote awareness of the program. The Rotary will also provide a gift basket for the prize drawings held during the fair.

Since 1985, Rotary and its partners have helped reduce the number of polio cases from 350,000 annually to fewer than 400 in 2014. The club, internationally, has contributed more than \$1.3 billion to protect more than two billion children worldwide.

Three current members are founding members of Rotary here, Don Wood, Lynn Hargrove and Mike Hemphill, Glenda's husband.



THE PASSING OF THE GAVEL — Former Colorado City Rotary Club President Robbie Dewberry (right) passed the gavel to the newly-elected president Glenda Hemphill during last week's club meeting. Hemphill will preside over the club until the same time next year.

Carroll donates glasses for local eclipse watch

On August 21st, there will be a solar eclipse that will cast a shadow from coast to coast in the U.S. for the first time since 1918. Amateur astronomer Orand Carroll and Bonnie Cushing have donated some solar eclipse eyeglasses, so citizens here can safely look at the celestial event.

According to Carroll, a solar eclipse occurs because the moon orbits the Earth, and infrequently the moon aligns itself directly between the sun and the Earth. This causes the moon's shadow to track across the Earth as it will on Monday, August 21st.

Carroll and Cushing have come to Colorado City several times to share their hobby of advanced amateur astronomy with the folks of Mitchell County. The couple now have their own observatory in Big Spring they call the Celeste Fiesta Observatory, with three magnificent telescopes.

Joe Wheelock of the McDonald Observatory in far West Texas serves as Carroll's science consultant, and the pair get into some sophisticated, advanced projects. According to Wheelock, the solar eclipse over Colo-

rado City will be about 75%, and depending on clouds, visibility should be good.

The eclipse should begin being visible around 10:35 a.m., with peak eclipse at 11:45 a.m. and ending around 1:30 p.m. Carroll said it will become quite dark over Colorado City during the lunch hour that day.

Carroll warns everyone of the dangers of looking at the sun. No one should ever look at the sun nor a solar eclipse without proper solar eyewear. Even a glance can permanently damage or destroy one's eyesight.

Carroll and Cushing have provided a few pair of solar eclipse eyeglasses at the Colorado City Record office, as well as with Mayor Jim Baum.

"We hope the wonderful people of Mitchell County will want to see this beautiful celestial event safely," Carroll said.

If you are interested in seeing the eclipse, come down to the Record office and pick up the eyeglasses. There are just a few pair available, so sharing is advised.

The next solar eclipse across the United States will occur in 2024.

Moore will celebrate 100th birthday Aug. 24th

It's not every day one gets to celebrate their 100th birthday. As a matter of fact, it's a rare and special occasion, and one of Mitchell County's citizens will do just that on August 24th. Minnie Lee Hood Moore will celebrate her 100th birthday this month, and her family is planning something special for her.

Moore was born and raised in Mitchell County on a farm in the Spade Community, not to be confused with Spade Ranch. She has lived here most of her life, only leaving her home to move to various air bases with her husband, Tom Moore, who was in the Army Air Corps.

In the early 2000s, she lived in a retirement community away from Colorado City but returned to her home on the farm in 2010 to live with her daughter and husband, Gene and Leeann Moore Kuhel. Eventually, Moore's health caused her to need skilled nursing care.

Moore taught school at Westbrook for 35 years. Her daughter said she still dearly loves her former students and the families that she had the pleasure of working with, and she fondly remembers the many teachers, administrators and school board members from those years.

Though there is not an accurate count of how many Mitchell County citizens are over the age of 100, Moore is believed to be the oldest retired educator in the county.

Her daughter is planning a celebration of her birthday on Saturday, August 26th at the Mitchell County Nursing & Rehabilitation Center at 1941 Chestnut St. It will be a come-and-go affair from 2 to 4:30 p.m. in the dining room and her room #303.

Let's look at a few things that were in the news 100 years back. In 1917, the United States declared war on Germany. The first Pulitzer Prizes were awarded for editorial writing, reporting and the history of the U.S. Famous people also born in 1917 included John F. Kennedy, Ella Fitzgerald, Zsa Zsa Gabor, Dean Martin and Desi Arnaz.

Prices of things were certainly different back then. The average yearly income was \$720 and postage stamps cost 2 cents each. A gallon of milk could be purchased for 13 cents, a movie ticket for 7 cents, a loaf of bread for 9 cents and a gallon of gas cost 22 cents. If you had \$360, you could buy a brand new car.

Things have certainly changed in 100 years, and Moore has witnessed many of them. There will be four generations of her family present at the reception. If you know her, stop by and visit with the centenarian on Saturday, August 26th.

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LOCAL NEWS

TUMBLEWEED SMITH

America's oldest gun store is in Early

The Weakley-Watson Hardware Store in Brownwood opened in 1876. Ulysses S. Grant was president and it was the same year Custer was defeated at Little Big Horn. There were no cars, and phones and electricity were novelties. The store has lasted through wars, the exploration of space and financial ups and downs. During The Depression, the store sold anything to stay in business. Over the years, the store divided into two stores: one for hardware, one for sporting goods. Four years ago, David Furry bought the sporting goods store and moved it to a new building in Early.

"We carry an inventory of somewhere between 400 and 600 guns at all times," says David, an entrepreneur with other interests. "Our guys know guns. When you come in and ask them something, they'll know what you're talking about. If we don't have what you're looking for we can special order it for you. We sell guns online now. The Brown County community has supported this store for 141 years."

David realizes the significance of the business. He has framed newspaper articles about many of the store's anniversaries. Some are displayed prominently on the walls of the store. His office has store records that go back in history, all supporting the claim that it's the oldest gun dealer in the United States in continuous operation.

"We did our research when we bought it. We bought it from a great family, which were descendants of the Weakleys and the Watsons. At that time they thought they were the oldest gun dealer in Texas but hadn't really researched it. When you go to Wikipedia there's a store in Chicago, I think it is, that claims to be the oldest gun store. But it opened in 1911. So we're 25 years older than that store. We haven't found anyone else who can pre-date us. As far as I'm concerned this is the oldest gun store in the United States. It's been here for five generations."

David says Mr. Weakley came to Brownwood as a tinsmith and set up business in a building in downtown Brownwood and decided to open a hardware store. It sold guns at that time. Mr. Weakley's daughter married a man named Watson who later came into the business. Another daughter married a man named Miller and for a while the store was Weakley-Watson-Miller. Ice water was a luxury in those early days.

"Mr. Watson would send one of the employees down to the ice house and get a 25-pound block of solid ice and put it in a 30-gallon container out front so when people came by they could get a dipper of cold water, which was real special at the time."

In 1878, the store ran a newspaper ad and misspelled the word ammunition. One "m" was left out.

"So I made a sign and put it above our guns that says Guns, Pistols and Ammunition, misspelling ammunition on purpose. It's been there for three years and not a soul has noticed it or said anything about it."

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By Ace Reid



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Rural hospitals facing crisis

The Texas rural hospital closure epidemic continues with two more rural hospitals locking their doors in the last few weeks. The hospital in Trinity, Texas ceased operations on August 1 and the hospital in Crockett, Texas shut down on July 1, leaving those communities without immediate access to emergency and other hospital care.

Dave Pearson, CEO of the Texas Organization of Rural & Community Hospitals (TORCH), says the two recent rural hospital closures bring the total number that have closed since January 2013 to eighteen (18). According to Pearson "this closure crisis, which has left many rural communities without emergency and other care, has clearly reached epidemic proportions and unless the Texas Legislature and Congress take immediate steps, it will only worsen."

TORCH, which represents the 163 rural hospitals across Texas, notes that of the eighteen (18) closures in the last four and a half years, four (4) were temporary lasting only a few months and three (3) were replaced with a freestanding emergency or urgent care center. But the care in those towns is now very limited. Eleven (11) communities still have no emergency or hospital care.

Pearson adds "as many as a third of the remaining rural hospitals in Texas are operating on a shoestring and struggle every day to stay open and serve their patients." He also says, "The real tragedy is many of these closures could have been avoided and are primarily the result of Medicare cuts by Congress in recent years totaling more than \$50 million a year for Texas rural hospitals, coupled with underpayments in the Texas Medicaid program to rural hospitals approaching \$60 million a year."

TORCH Director of Government

Relations Don McBeath states, "Congress and the Texas Legislature have apparently not fully realized the magnitude of the crisis despite our efforts to educate them about the situation. They need to take quick and strong action to put the brakes on the closure slide." He adds, "We are leaving more and more rural communities without immediate and reasonable access to emergency care which has resulted in documented deaths because the local hospital was suddenly gone."

Besides leaving holes in the state's safety-net of trauma and other care, the closures are having a devastating economic impact on Texas. David Byrom is the CEO of Coryell Hospital in Gatesville and is also the current chairman of the TORCH association board. He points out, "These closures are bad for the Texas economy. Rural hospitals cover 85% of the state's geography and serve 15% of the population. They help keep healthy the workforce that supplies the state's and much of the nation's food, fuel, and fiber." Byrom goes on to say, "Each Texas rural hospital, on average, employs 173 people and has an annual payroll of \$23 million. Statewide, that is more than 22,000 good paying jobs and expenditures of \$3.7 billion year. The combined economic impact of the 163 Texas rural hospitals is more than \$18 billion year."

TORCH CEO Pearson adds, "These rural hospitals are an economic driver for rural Texas but the closures can also be a death blow to a rural community. Most of the employees and their families will move elsewhere in pursuit of a hospital job. Local businesses suffer and the rural schools suffer, losing money from the state because of declining students. And, the chances of future economic

development are lessened without a local hospital. Most rural communities never recover from a hospital closure."

McBeath, in his role as the association's primary contact with state and federal lawmakers, says the downward spiral of Texas rural hospitals can be stopped but that it will take immediate action from elected lawmakers. "Congress must act very soon to renew some special rural hospital Medicare payment provisions that impact a number of our rural hospitals or their payments will decline even more, causing yet more closures. Plus, they need to address the series of cuts they have already inflicted on the rural hospitals over the past five years," says McBeath. "And, the Texas Legislature and the state Medicaid program need to take immediate steps to address the massive underpayments to the hospitals." In the most recent regular session, the Texas Legislature did direct the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, who manages the Texas Medicaid program, to look into the situation, but, McBeath says, "It could be too little, too late. With a two-year study window, followed by who knows how much time to react to the findings, we could see dozens more of Texas' rural hospitals vanish."

Association board chairman Byrom says of the situation, "The citizens of our rural communities fortunate enough to still have a rural hospital need to know this is happening around them and call their elected state and federal representatives and tell them to take action now to stem the tide of Texas' rural hospital closures. The two closures in the last month, bringing the total to eighteen (18) in the last four and a half years, could be the tip of the iceberg"

One man's trash is a golden opportunity

By Monte Wike

We had not been married very long when we moved from a small apartment to a moderate house. We had bought used furniture wisely, but it was not quite enough. Someone told us that they recycled furniture at the dump of the large city near where we lived. So, we drove out and began to look around.

Someone actually lived near the dump grounds, scavenged through the mountains of trash dumped daily and made some ready cash by selling usable items. We bought two old 1920s-type vanity drawer sets for one dollar each. They went unchanged, but full of stuff, for years.

Then Noma needed some extra storage by her sewing machine and I refinished one drawer set to match. The other went off with our son to college. We

will be married 60 years in January, and the old drawers on their spindly legs still work and look nice.

When someone discards something, is that the end of its life? Or does it pay to take a second look? I always marvel at the inventive ways people can use old left-overs and discards to make a thing of utility and beauty. Creativity is part of the fun of reusing items.

I also marvel at the way companies can recycle material and use it again, such as scrap iron and aluminum cans. What looks like trash to one is a golden opportunity for another. All it takes is a refocus in vision from what it was to what it could be. I look at the brightly colored laundry detergent bottles and think they could be made into bird houses or colorful lawn flowers, or something.

I am from the old school where we

just hate to waste anything. We no longer live in that society, but in one of growing refuse piles. I think everything could somehow be recycled. Of course, it has to be sorted and transported. But maybe there could be joint recycling plants set up by three or four counties and each could make a sizeable profit off of discards that would benefit everyone. What could not be reused could be burned to provide electricity or heat. Many categories of stuff could be pulverized for compost or erosion control.

I am no civil engineer, but resources are eventually limited and a new look might be made at serious recycling.

"Paper or plastic?" They ask at the grocery store. "Neither, I brought my own bag." New furniture or old? "I'll have some of each, thank you."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

With 2000 pounds of dead litter/acre - 8.3 inches of rain can infiltrate in one hour. In West Texas, without this litter, over 90% of this rain evaporates. With this litter, the soil is full of worms and microscopic life which converts humus to plant food at a sustainable rate. Groundwater is derived from infiltration under this cover.

The plow upsets this balance of nature. Soil life is destroyed and dead litter is quickly released, decayed at an unsustainable rate. After the first year, depletion is steady and sterility inevitable, as is protection from run off and wind erosion.

With modern technology, we can

raise cotton and other low residue food crops amid 2000 pounds of dead litter without plowing. Mr. Farmer, "clean" farming will go the way of the mule and walking moleboard. Mr. Landowner, so will your soil.

CRP was to get grass established again. That is all it needs to be. Too many regulations got this landowner gone.

Terraces are good but not enough in arid West Texas where the sand destroys crops and soil. And where 16-row John Deeres go 10 miles per hour and need a half acre to turn around.

The farmer must get over his phobia of dead litter and a few weeds. He must re-tool. He must take a shovel and mi-

roscope to unplowed soil and see what the plow destroys. He must compare the yields of modern farming and plowed, sterile land and see which is profitable.

The landowner must do the same. He must weigh the year's rent against the value of soil loss.

Water boards must look at restoration of groundwater at least as much as conservation of fossil water.

We must protect rainfall from evaporation and runoff. Without soil, no man eats. Without water, no man drinks. We must do better. Without liberty, who cares?

Tea anyone?

Troy Powell

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LOCAL NEWS

WATER

The technology was first introduced in Spain, and Atmospheric Water Generation Technology is working to bring the manufacturing of the machines to the U.S. The bigger units, used for industrial water production, can generate 2,500 gallons of clean, drinkable water a day from the air people breathe.

According to Atmospheric Water Resource's website, the water produced exceeds EPA standards. Rivera said several governmental agencies have verified the potential of the technology and have endorsed the use of the machines as a water source.

The water producer that's located in Colorado City is not just for looks and oohs and ahhs. Rivera is operating the machine in the various types of weather we get here and sending results to the group in San Antonio. He's hoping the community will get behind the project, and it will put Colorado City on the map as one of the cities where the machines got their start.

Rivera has a few ideas to promote this area in regards to the machines. Details cannot be released yet, because manufacturing is not quite ready. Right now, the technology is new and patents are pending.

COUNTY

for the desalination plant, and she said she put in \$10,000 to pay for the completion of construction on the project. However, no one has been able to tell county officials how much the project lacks in terms of construction costs.

"Desal affects our budget more than anything. If we're going to complete this, I would like to see them here every month," Muñoz said, referring to Board of Economic Development officials.

He then asked Judge Mayo to put a request for a desal plant update to be presented in person at the next court meeting. Commissioner Jeremy Strain clarified the request saying he wants the presentation to be specifically from the county's employee, Sue Young, who is the executive director of the BOED.

Strain was adamant that citizens understand that they can still come voice their opinions about the tax rate, regardless of

When the technology was introduced to the U.S. military, they contacted various agencies to test the machine and see if the technology was useful. Turns out, what was meant to disprove actually proved the machine to be a reliable, transportable method for producing fresh, drinkable water.

Rivera said the water produced can be used straight out of the machine or could be treated to add taste. The industrial-sized machines come in a metal container similar to a sea container. They are made to roll out and begin water production immediately.

Once military leaders were convinced, they contacted FEMA and the Red Cross to share the technology that would be most helpful in providing fresh water during emergencies, whether natural or man-made.

The military base in San Antonio has multiple machines in use. What was once thought of as an emergency water supply has become the main supply used on base.

Though Rivera was recently appointed to the Board of Economic Development, he wanted to be clear that the AWG machines are not a part of BOED interests. Rivera has pursued this venture solely through his own means.

The C-City man sees the technology as the future of fresh water. He's excited to get in on the ground-floor of the operation and hopes to shed some positive light on Mitchell County.

While local news outlets have already covered the story, he's planning an event where statewide news organizations would be welcomed and the public can come out and see the machine in operation. Watch the *Record* for more information about the time and place of the event.

CITY

Chaney was among four applicants vying for the position. Also up for consideration were Crystal Martinez, Jennifer Sims and Ruben Hurt. The decision was made by secret ballot vote.

Niki Watlington and George Tyson were appointed to boards within the city. Watlington will serve on the Housing Standards Commission and Tyson will serve on the Planning & Zoning Board.

City Attorney Eileen Hayman addressed an issue that had come up previously during a council meeting. She had researched the laws concerning emergency vehicles and state law, and she brought her findings before the council.

Chapter 546 of the Transportation Code says that a person operating an authorized emergency vehicle can stop other vehicles, go through stop lights, exceed speed limits and disregard the direction of traffic if they are responding to an emergency call.

Volunteer firefighters' personal vehicles are included but must have lights to show they are emergency vehicles. Operators of the vehicles have a duty to drive with appropriate regard for the public's safety.

Though the local policies are already more stringent, Chief Tom Carlock said he will look into updating them.

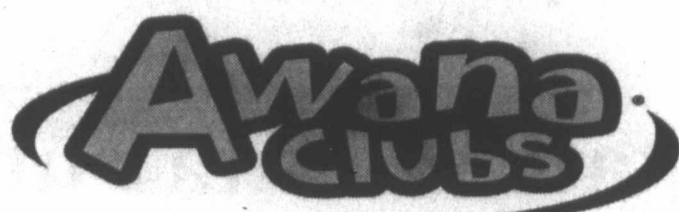
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tivals and promote it any way they can to get their foot in the door.

Bullard said he's been producing videos for YouTube since he was about 12 years old. "At that time, I didn't know it was producing, but I remember getting ideas, planning the videos and writing lines. I just saw it as making dumb, funny videos to make my friends laugh," he said.

Mitchell County is where he got his start, and he is looking forward to showing it to Mitchell County folks.



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LOCAL NEWS

State sales tax up 7.9%

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said recently that state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.56 billion in July, 7.9 percent more than in July 2016.

"Sales tax receipts from all major economic sectors were up compared to last year," Hegar said. "The most notable increases were from oil- and gas-related industries, as spending on well development continues to rebound. Despite the recent uptick, sales tax revenue remains in line with

recent estimates from my office."

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in July 2017 is up 7.3 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Sales tax revenue is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 56 percent of all tax collections. Motor vehicle sales and rental taxes, motor fuel taxes and oil and natural gas production taxes also are large revenue sources for the state.

In July 2017, Texas collected

the following revenue from those taxes: motor vehicle sales and rental taxes — \$384.7 million, down 7.3 percent from July 2016; motor fuel taxes — \$308.2 million, up 3.7 percent from July 2016; and oil and natural gas production taxes — \$251.5 million, up 24.6 percent from July 2016.

For details on all monthly collections, visit the Comptroller's Monthly State Revenue Watch.

MCHD employees receive scholarships



Jennifer Hale



Andra Maxwell

Mitchell County Hospital District recently provided a scholarship to two employees, Jennifer Hale, RN and Andra Maxwell, RN to be used to pursue studies toward a career in an allied health care profession. Robbie Dewberry, CEO, presented the scholarship award, of which Mitchell County Hospital District provided \$500 matching funds along with \$500 in scholarship funds provided by the Northwest Texas Hospital Association.

The Northwest Texas Hospital Association established the scholarship program in order to assist smaller communities in the state in their efforts to recruit health care professionals to work in rural hospitals. The Association awarded a total of \$5,000 this year to students nominated by member hospitals. Each hospital provides the matching scholarship amount of \$500 per student.

The Northwest Texas Hospital Association is the oldest association of its kind in the state and is composed of hospitals, businesses, and others interested in health care and continuing access to health care. The membership territory covers the area from the panhandle in the north, to Dallas in the East, El Paso in the West, and Kerrville in the South.



SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATION — Members of the Colorado City Garden Club and Kiwanians teamed up to purchase school supplies for the students of Colorado Middle School. Pictured are: (back row, l-r) Tommie Williams, Debbie Mahan, Pam Butler, Sue Crow, Karen Holman, Jackie Box; (front row) Joan Lemons, Joann Jameson, Roseann Webb, and Nell Gainey. Anyone wanting to donate can bring school supplies to the Colorado City Record office at 257 E. 2nd Street in Colorado City. Photo courtesy of Jan Lemons.

POLICE REPORT

On July 29th at 5:50 a.m., an officer was requested to Lowe's Super-market regarding a possible burglary. An officer responded and observed a broken window and a rock inside the store. The business was secured and cleared. The officer made contact with the manager on duty. Video of the incident will be provided at a later date. An offense report was generated.

On July 29th at 1:51 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 100 block of E. 10th St. for a report of criminal mischief. The offense was confirmed and information was gathered. A report was completed.

On July 29th at 2:26 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 800 block of E. 11th St. for a report of criminal mischief. The offense was confirmed, information gathered and a report was completed.

On July 29th at 4:11 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 100 block of E. 6th St. for a report of criminal mischief. Offense was confirmed,

information was collected and a report was completed.

On July 30th at 12:22 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 1600 block of Waco Street regarding a burglary. An officer responded and observed no forced entry, but two televisions and a DVD player were taken. No suspects are named at this time. An offense report was generated.

On July 30th at 4:49 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 200 block of W. 3rd St. for a report of an assault. The assault allegedly took place at another location. Information was gathered and a report was completed.

On July 31st at 8:27 a.m., an officer responded in reference to a subject who would not leave a residence. Officer determined that unwanted subject had an active parole violation warrant. Subject was arrested and transported to Mitchell County Jail without incident.

On July 31st at 11:24 a.m., an officer was dispatched to Stripes convenience Store in reference to a theft. Information was gathered and a report was later completed.

On Aug. 1st at 2:28 a.m., a subject flagged down an officer to report a burglary of a motor vehicle and theft of a firearm from his vehicle in the 900 block of Cedar. A report was generated and an investigation is ongoing.

On Aug. 2nd at 12:09 a.m., an officer observed a vehicle failing to main-

tain a single lane in traffic and failure to signal a turn. A traffic stop in initiated. The officer observed open containers in the vehicle and bottles of medication. The driver failed standard field sobriety tests and was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

On Aug. 2nd at 5:31 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 300 block of West St. for a 911 hang up call. On arrival, the officer discovered the nature of the 911 call was for a burglary of a habitation. Information was gathered and a report was completed.

On Aug. 2nd at 5:40 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 700 block of East 2nd St. for a report of a theft. Property was taken from the front of a local business without consent of owner. Information was gathered and a report was completed.

On Aug. 3rd at 8:21 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 100 block of East 1-20 for a report of found property. The property was collected for safekeeping and the owner has been contacted.

On Aug. 5th at 8:39 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 1700 block of Chestnut in reference to a burglary. Information was gathered and a report was completed.

On Aug. 5th at 9:34 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 900 block of Chestnut in reference to a damaged mailbox. Officer arrived and took pictures and information. A report was later completed.

NOTICE OF 2017 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR CITY OF COLORADO CITY

A tax rate of \$ 0.635613 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of CITY OF COLORADO CITY. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of CITY OF COLORADO CITY proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of funding the Genral Fund

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.635613</u> per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.602239</u> per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.610279</u> per \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.660977</u> per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for CITY OF COLORADO CITY from the same properties in both the 2016 tax year and the 2017 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that CITY OF COLORADO CITY may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{property tax amount} = (\text{rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

Sylvia Clanton

Mitchell County

tax assessor-collector

436 E 2nd Street Colorado City Texas 79512

325-728-2806

sylvia@co.mitchell.tx.us

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You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on the proposed tax rate:

First Hearing: August 22, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Bob Reilly Early Learning Center

Second Hearing: August 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Bob Reilly Early Learning Center

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The vast majority of these miles are traveled without incident. In fact, according to the National Safety Council, the national school bus accident rate is 0.01 per 100 miles traveled, compared to 0.96 for other passenger vehicles, which makes school buses considerably safer than other passenger vehicles. Though school buses are safe, there are other ways to make them even safer. Children, especially those new to school buses, may find the bus fun and unique and not pay attention to simple safety rules.

But parents should take steps to ensure that youngsters always heed the following school bus safety guidelines.

- Wait for the bus in a safe location that is away from traffic, ideally staying in a designated school bus stop until the bus arrives.
- Dress for optimal visibility, especially in inclement weather when it can be difficult for the school bus driver and

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- Do not board the bus until it comes to a complete stop. Wait for the driver to open the door, which engages the "Stop" sign for oncoming motorists.
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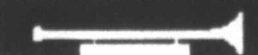
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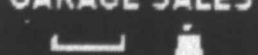
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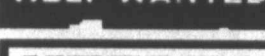
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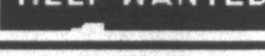
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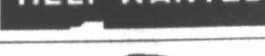
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SCHOOL MENUS

Colorado ISD Breakfast Menu Aug. 16-18
Wednesday - Biscuit, gravy, scrambled eggs, bacon or dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Thursday - pancake wrap, yogurt or dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Friday - Cinnamon roll (K-12), biscuit (prek), sausage or dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Colorado ISD Lunch Menu Aug. 16-18
Wednesday - chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, savory green beans, garden salad, apple slices, choice of milk.
Thursday - Fiesta Bowl, tiny tomato cup, fruity gelatin, choice of milk.
Friday - hamburger, hamburger garnish, cucumber slices, baby carrots, cinnamon applesauce, choice of milk.

Vet speaks to Lions

Chase Ratliff, 2001 graduate of Colorado High School, returned to his hometown last week to speak to the Colorado City Lions Club. Ratliff is a veterinarian who has a practice in Abilene.

Ratliff said he was unsure of a career after graduating from CHS, but he had always enjoyed biology. He continued his education at Angelo State University, earning a bachelor's degree in Animal Science in 2005, and entered veterinarian school at Texas A&M University.

The 25-30 hour semester were described by Ratliff as physically and mentally taxing, but he said he really enjoyed the field of study. He graduated in May of 2009, right after the Great Recession. As is typical of hometown kids, Ratliff took a job as far away from Colorado City as he could find.

He went to work at a vet clinic in Northern California. Ratliff gained the experience of working with others, as he joined three vets in the clinic.

"I thought I knew everything," he told Lions. "I didn't know anything. I had to grow facial hair so clients knew I was a doctor," he said.

Then in 2015, he moved to Abilene and opened his own clinic. The practice is mostly small animal work, with Ratliff doing some large animal work out of his pickup.

Though he enjoys being his own boss, the situation comes with its own challenges. Ratliff said he learning to be a business owner, something that is quite different from being a vet.

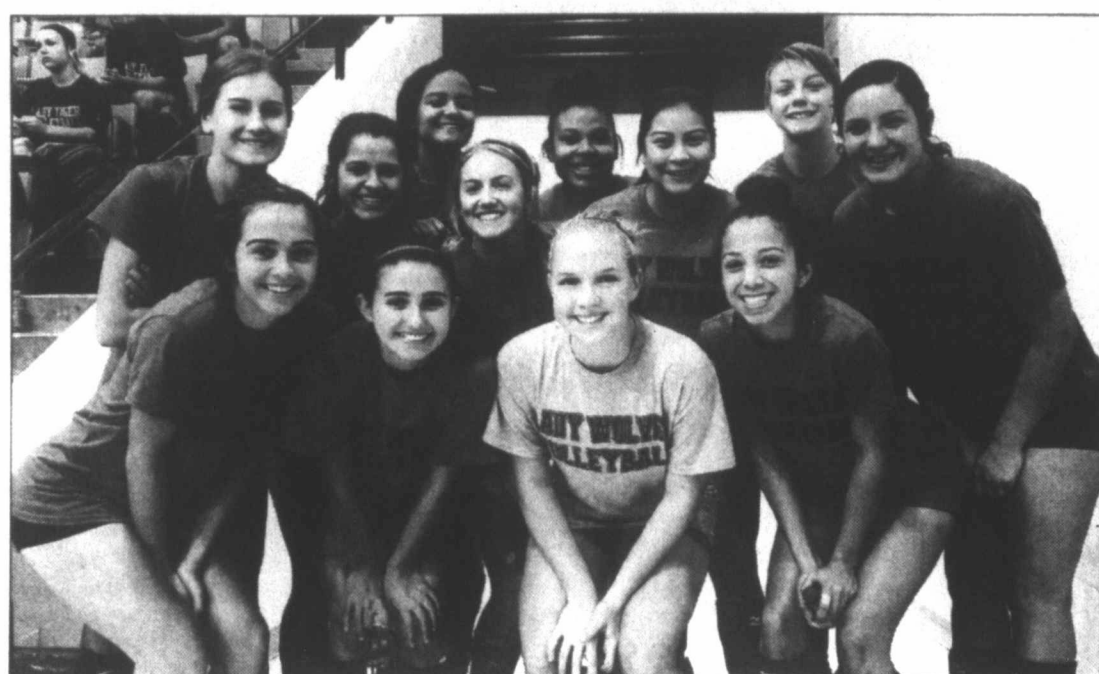
Abilene has provided the opportunity for Ratliff to see some animals a typical vet doesn't see. Throughout the years he's worked on nearly 20 species, including dogs, cats, horses, cows, sheep, goats, pigs, llamas, rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, chickens, camels, turtles/tortoises, deer, zebras, Watusi cows, rhinoceros, camels and a giraffe with a bad case of arthritis.

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SPORTS



OFF TO A GOOD START – The Lady Wolves varsity volleyball team won their first game of the season, beating San Angelo Lakeview in three sets. Members of the team are: (back row, l-r) Harlee Haag, Chloe Castillo, Kaci Phariss, Kaitlyn Kimball, Jalessa Williams, Alexa Garza, Kristina Parker, Taylor Epperson; (front row) Clancy White, Sara Roach, Jady Griffith and Deanna Wooddell. Photo courtesy of Coach Bell.

Lady Wolves start season with a win

The Lady Wolves varsity volleyball team's season is underway, and the girls started the season off right in Colorado City on Monday with a win over Lakeview in three sets, 25-15, 25-12 and 25-12.

The Lady Wolves started off with a scrimmage in Big Spring on Saturday, August 4th. New head volleyball coach Mitzi Bell said the team played pretty well there, and the scrimmage gave them a chance to work on a few things too. Playing well in the scrimmage may have boosted the team's confidence going into the first game.

Coach Bell said the Lady Wolves are working on some new

plays and hits and they're having fun with them.

"They just have great energy and chemistry and work so well together which comes from playing together so long," Coach Bell said. "It's a lot of fun!"

Senior Taylor Epperson played a leadership role for the Lady Wolves, as she had 7 kills, 5 blocks, 1 ace and 3 digs in the game. Kaitlyn Kimball also played with confidence, garnering 4 kills, 3 blocks, 1 ace and 6 digs.

Senior Alexa Garza was good on offense, scoring with 2 aces. She also had 4 digs and 11 assists. Jady Griffith spent some time diving, as she managed to

get 21 digs, along with 2 kills and an ace. Clancy White got 5 kills, 3 blocks, 2 aces and 11 digs, and Kristina Parker went on the board with 4 kills and 5 blocks.

Sara Roach got 3 digs during the game, 16 assists. Kaci Phariss went on the board with 3 kills, 2 blocks and 2 digs, Chloe Castillo pitched in with 4 digs, and Jalessa Williams had 1 kill.

The Lady Wolves will travel to Abilene on Friday and Saturday, August 11th and 12th for a tournament. They will face Big Spring at home on Tuesday, August 15th, with the JV starting at 5 p.m. and the varsity playing at approximately 6:30 p.m.



PREPARING TO BATTLE! The Westbrook Wildcat football team gathered early Monday morning for the season's first practice. Players will concentrate on conditioning, skill-building and fundamentals while working out without pads for the first four days.

Flag football signups underway

Signups are already underway for Colorado City Flag Football, and kids ages 4 to 11 are eligible to participate. Parents will have several opportunities in the upcoming weeks to get their kids signed up.

Flag football organizers will be present at the Colorado Elementary Meet the Teacher day on Thursday, August 10th from 1 to 3 p.m.

To accommodate those with later schedules, signups will be held at Bigg's Pizza on Friday,

August 11th; Monday, August 14th; and Wednesday, August 16th; from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each evening.

Final signups will be held Friday, August 18th at Wolf Stadium during the football game, starting at 5 p.m.

Birth certificates will be required for all four-year-old play-

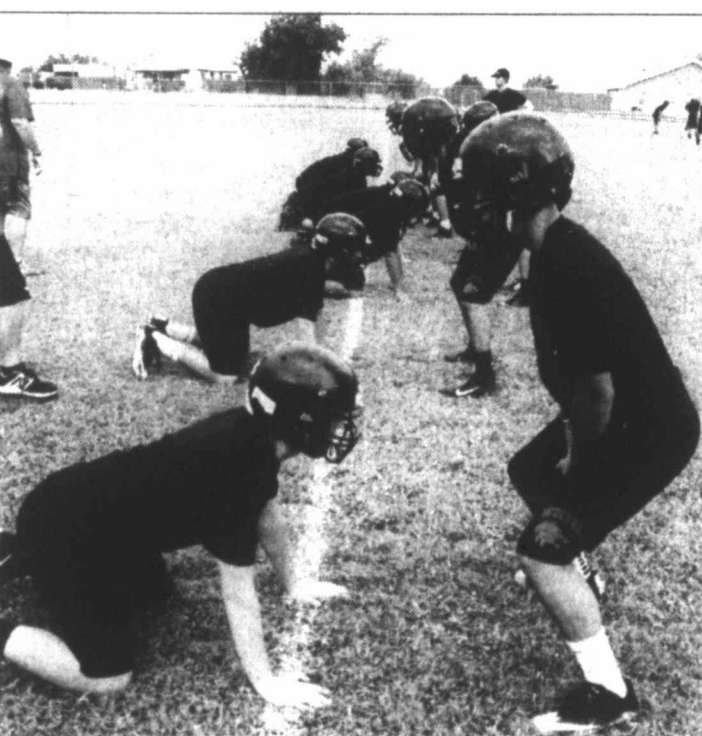
ers. Cost is \$50 per player.

A coaches' meeting will be held in the La Quinta Conference Room on Saturday, August 19th at 5:30 p.m., and all interested parties should attend.

For more information, contact Marisol Ryan at 325-242-4790, Tony at 325-436-9388 or Ray at 325-242-3545.



RETURNING LEADERSHIP – The Loraine Bulldogs return six seniors to the varsity football team this year. They are: (l-r) Javon Walthall, Jesus DeLeon, Amando Gonzalez, Michael Garcia, Dakota Smith and Andrew Nieto. There's been a schedule change for the Bulldogs on the season's first game. The game will be played on Friday, September 1st in Loraine vs. Wellman-Union.



IT BEGINS! Colorado City Wolves Jordan Lawson (standing) and Nathan Read (kneeling) hit the practice field this week with the rest of the team to learn some skills and fundamentals of football. Coaches Richard Norman, Billy Quinn and Tino Silva worked with the defensive ends and tackles.

Time to signup for youth tackle football

Coaches and players are needed to host a league of youth tackle football this year, and signups are coming up.

Signups for Colorado City Youth Tackle Football will be held Saturday, August 12th at the practice field across from the old middle school beginning at 9 a.m. The season starts September 9th.

Eligible players are from 3rd through 6th grade, and cost is \$75 per player. Coaches are still needed for the 3rd-4th grade age division.

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The Colorado City Wolves Booster Club has started its annual membership drive and program ad sales. The booster club is a supporter of all Wolf athletics, not just football.

Booster club leaders are selling ads for the football programs that are sold at home games, along with individual memberships. Prices vary depending on the size of the ad.

If someone would like to purchase an ad or individual membership and did not receive a form in the mail, they can contact Kaci Griffith at 325-242-0993.

Boosters are trying to get all ads sold by August 11th, so the information can be turned into the printer.

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