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Thursday, July 23, 2009 — Serving Mitchell County Since 1909 — Colorado City, Loraine & Westbrook



DETECTIVE ADAM DAVIS (right) books suspect Damian J. Martinez (left) in connection with an assault that occurred during a family rounion at Paredes Park late Saturday evening.

Reunion violence results in injuries

Colorado City police arrested a suspect Tuesday afternoon on one count of assault at Paredes Park.

A family reunion in Paredes Park Saturday evening turned violent, resulting in three assaults between 11:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

Twenty-one-year old Damian J. Martinez, who is originally from Newport, Rhode Island, was arrested by Detective Adam Davis and charged with aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury.

"There was a lot of drinking involved," said Dooley.

According to witnesses, two people were engaged in a loud argument. "Three other people tried to break up the argument between a man and a woman. During the altercation, the lady was knocked down," said Dooley. "One individual pulled a knife and slashed another person on the neck, causing a pretty substantial injury."

Witnesses at the scene describe continued aggressive behavior on the part of the same individual who proceeded to hit another person on the top of the head with an undetermined object.

Police continue to investigate the incident and are taking statements from witnesses to determine individual involvement.

"It was a tense situation," said Dooley. "It was a very difficult crime scene with lots of intoxicated persons that were uncooperative. The officers did an outstanding job gathering evidence and names of witnesses that allow us to follow up on this crime."

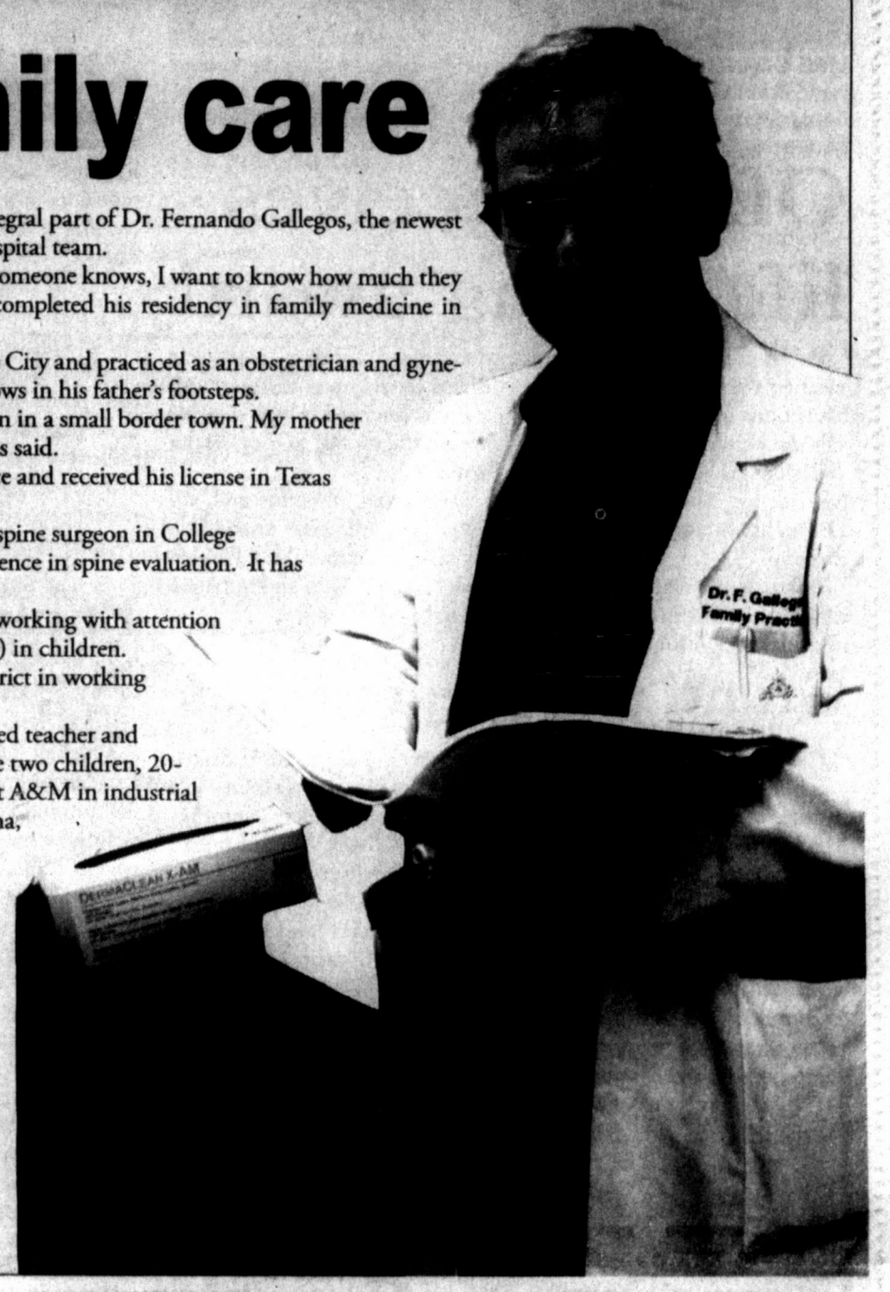
"If not for the dedication and hard work of these officers, we would not have the good case that we do," Dooley added.

Officers also responded to an assault call Friday evening in the 800 block of E. 6th.

"There was a verbal altercation be-

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New doctor focuses on family care



Family and community are an integral part of Dr. Fernando Gallegos, the newest member of the Mitchell County Hospital team.

"I don't want to know how much someone knows, I want to know how much they care," said Gallegos, who recently completed his residency in family medicine in Bryan/College Station.

Gallegos, who was born in Mexico City and practiced as an obstetrician and gynecologist in Chihuahua, Mexico, follows in his father's footsteps.

"My father was a military physician in a small border town. My mother was a studio photographer," Gallegos said.

Gallegos closed his 20-year practice and received his license in Texas in family medicine.

"I spent six months working for a spine surgeon in College Station," he said. "I bring that experience in spine evaluation. It has served me greatly here."

His residency final project was in working with attention deficit hyperactivy disorder (ADHD) in children.

"I can help support the school district in working with ADHD kids," he said.

His wife, Lily Patricia, is a special ed teacher and certified in Spanish. The couple have two children, 20-year-old Fernando who is studying at A&M in industrial engineering and 16-year-old Christina, who wants to be a veterinarian.

Mrs. Gallegos will join her husband in Colorado City once Christina graduates.

One of the perks of working at MCHD is getting a half day off on Friday or Monday to allow Gallegos to be with his family.

"No one else would have offered me this," he said. "This is a very sweet deal. We are a very tight knit family, with bilingual

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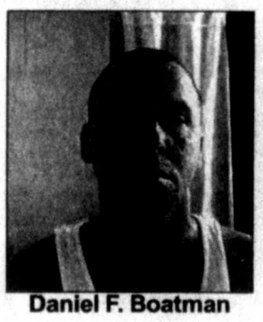
City wide garage sale set

The annual city-wide garage sale weekend has been set for Friday and Saturday, July 31, August 1.

Garage sale participants who advertise will receive a free garage sale sign and be grouped together by location, making it easier for more people to find their sales. Working together also draws in more visitors and more shoppers from out of town, meaning more revenues for those hosting the sales.

The deadline to turn in your garage sale ad is noon on Tuesday, July 28.

Local man faces arson charge



Daniel F. Boatman

The Mitchell County Sheriff's Department arrested a local man on suspicion of arson in connection with a fire July 1 near Cooper's Cove.

Chief Deputy Mike Redwine arrested 39-year-old Daniel Floyd Boatman Thursday on a first degree arson charge for a mobile home fire in the 4000 block of CR 307 and is a suspect in a number of other arson cases.

"There have been several fires in the area in the last couple of months," said Redwine, adding the fires were all at unattended homes that caught fire for no reason.

Members of the State Fire Marshall's Office and the Mitchell County Sheriff's Department worked jointly on the investigation.

"From the second fire out, we suspected arson," he said. "Sometimes a fire can happen with an accelerant, but it (the fire) can get so hot the accelerant disappears."

In addition to other evidence at the scene,

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Mitchell County honors state representative



TEXAS STATE REPRESENTATIVE Drew Darby (right) meets with civic and community leaders Anthony Muñoz, Jesse Muñoz and Randy Anderson during a luncheon to honor Darby's work on behalf of Mitchell County.

Mitchell County residents honored Texas State Representative Drew Darby with a noon luncheon at the civic center Tuesday.

Representatives from TDCJ, civic organizations, area school districts, county and city government, the Chamber of Commerce, Main Street and the Board of Economic Development paid homage to Darby, who represents District 72

By city and county proclamation July 21 was designated Drew Darby Day in appreciation of the representative's efforts on behalf of Mitchell County during the 81st legislative session.

Darby, who sits on the powerful Appropriations Committee, worked on behalf of West Texas to preserve groundwater, lower ad valorem taxes, bring Angelo State University into the Texas Tech system and balance the state budget.

Mitchell County honored Darby for drafting legislation allowing the state to transfer 221 acres back to Mitchell County from TDCJ for future economic development. The acres had previously been deeded to the state as part of a proposal to bring in the prison.

"It took Drew's personal touch and hard work with his fellow legislators to bring that land back," Woody Anderson told the 120 community leaders in attendance at the luncheon.

"I try simply to be a representative and not a politician," said Darby. "I truly respect the name representative. It implies the belief that our founding fathers had for part time representatives who live and work in the district, who have to live with the laws we pass."

"Texas is the strongest state in the U.S. Thirteen hundred people move to Texas daily," Darby said, but cautioned that a tsunami was approaching on the horizon in terms of having sufficient resources to maintain the waves of domestic immigration heading toward Texas from other states.

"My responsibility is to make sure we have jobs, water, transportation, infrastructure and the resources to accommodate the domestic immigration coming to Texas," Darby said.

During the past legislative session, "We had $182 billion available, but we didn't spend all the money. We wanted to plug holes without creating programs that required funding in the next session," he said. "The bad news is that we will have a $10 billion deficit in the next cycle"

Redistricting is of major concern for the next session, as districts are expected to pick up 35,000 people to keep up with the 21% population increases across the state.

Darby warned that rural Texas can expect to lose 3-5 representatives in the reshuffling. "It's going to be a geographical nightmare," he said. "I will fight as hard as I can to keep Mitchell County in my district."

Around Town

Happy birthday **Ellen Potts** (July 25)... Happy belated birthday **Manuel Aguilar** (July 20)... Happy belated anniversary **Manuel & Petra Aguilar** (July 20)... Happy 51st birthday **Matt Salmon** (July 22)... Happy birthday and anniversary to both **Laura & Tim Mitchell** (July 24)... Happy birthday **Buster Brown** (July 22)... Happy anniversary **Judy and Mark Merrell** (July 24)

Obituaries

Catalina Rios
Colorado City

Gloria Erwin
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Answerline

Q. During the tax-free holiday, Aug. 21-23, will school supplies be added to the clothing items that will not be taxed?

A. Yes. The state comptroller's office has a list of the tax-free items listed on its website. See related story, page 11.

Briefs

Ice Cream Social

There will be an ice cream social at the Wallace Center on Fri., July 24 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Cost is $5 per person and $2.50 for kids 10 and under.

Cheerleading Clinic

There will be a cheerleading mini-clinic for kids 5 years to 5th grade completed July 28-30 at CHS. Registration will be held Mon., July 27 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at CHS. The clinic will be held from 8 to 10 a.m. each day with an awards program on Fri., July 31 at 8:30 a.m. Cost is $20. For more information, contact Keira Brem at 728-9043.

Booster Club

The Wolf Booster Club will meet Thurs., July 23 at 6 p.m. at the C.C. Thompson Room.

KCCB Meeting

Keep Colorado City Beautiful will meet Thurs., July 23 at First United Methodist Church at 6 p.m.

Soccer Meeting

There will be a soccer meeting Sunday at the C.C. Thompson Room at 2 p.m. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

Medical Fund

A medical fund has been set up at City National Bank for Betty Sanchez. All donations will go toward medical expenses.

ABCD Scrambles

ABCD Scrambles will be held on Thursdays at 6 p.m. at Wolf Creek Golf Course. Cost is $10 for members and $15 for non-members.

Thought of the Week

We all have the strength enough to endure the misfortunes of others.
Francois de La Rochefoucauld

Lake Levels

(as of July 21, 2009)
Lake Colorado City..2061.47'
Full at 2070.3' Down 8.83'
Lake Champion...2049.11'
Full at 2083' Down 33.89'

LOCAL NEWS



LIFE GIVING ACT – Hailey Bivins pins a Lifesaving medal to husband John Bivins uniform. Sgt. Bivins was awarded the commendation from the police department for saving the life of a suicidal person last year.

Officer receives life saving award

Police Sergeant John Bivins received the Lifesaving award for his actions in saving the life of a suicidal person last year.

Bivins was commended for his heroism by Chief of Police Ron Dooley at last week's city council meeting.

Bivins responded to a suicidal call and found a person attempting suicide by using a cord over the door, according to Dooley. Bivins forced open the door and allowed the cord to dislodge, allowing the person to drop to the floor.

"His rapid response and actions were directly responsible for saving a human life," Dooley said. "His diligence and initiative are to be commended."

Grand jury hears cases

Cases ranging from assault on a public servant to possession of cocaine were presented before the Mitchell County Grand Jury last Thursday by the District Attorney's office.

The following cases, presented by Ann Reed, district attorney, were indicted on July 16, 2009: Joe Refugio Gonzales, one count injury to a child, a third degree felony and one county injury to a child, a state jail felony, committed on 6-27-09; Veronica Jean Gonzales, delivery of marijuana, a state jail felony, committed 5-15-09; Lanara Joy Ham, debit card abuse, a state jail felony, committed 7-13-09; Valentin

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Police arrest suspects in drive-by shooting

Three Colorado City youths were arrested as suspects in connection with a drive-by shooting on July 9.

Seventeen-year-olds Alec Goodney, Adrianna Munoz and Henry Sosa were arrested on charges of deadly conduct for allegedly firing a small caliber weapon at a residence on 1106 Watson.

The victim notified Officer Traven Berrie of the Colorado City Police Department that she was receiving disturbing text messages concerning possible gunshots around her home, according to Detective Adam Davis.

Munoz was identified as the person responsible for sending the text messages.

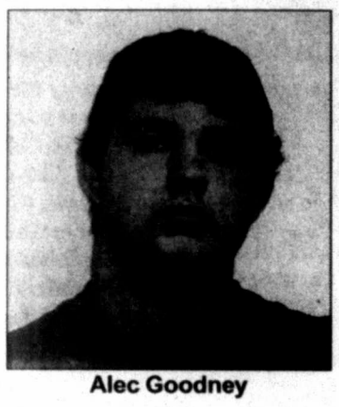
After talking with the victim, police were able to retrieve a small caliber copper jacketed bullet embedded in the tail light of a vehicle parked in front of the residence.

"Intensive investigation placed the three suspects together in a borrowed vehicle on the night of the shooting," said Detective Adam Davis.

Statements from the three youth resulted in the police serving a warrant on Goodney.

"There was some history there," said Chief of Police Ron Dooley. "We feel like they shot in the direction of a particular person."

All three suspects are awaiting bond in the Mitchell County Jail.



Alec Goodney

Public invited to take a Night Out against crime

Mitchell County residents are invited to participate in the 26th annual National Night Out against crime on Tuesday, October 6, 2009.

Sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW), NNO encourages local citizens to partner with local law enforcement to prevent crime, drug and violence.

"The purpose of National Night Out is to build strong partnerships between the police and communities and to promote crime awareness programs such as Neighborhood Community Watch groups," said Ron Dooley, Chief of Police.

Residents are encouraged to turn on their porch lights and gather with their neighbors to show unity against criminal activity.

"We hope many of Colorado City's residents will join millions across the country to take a proactive stance against crime.

Those who would like to register as a NNO participant should contact Jennifer Barber at 325-728-5294.

Registered neighborhoods may be visited by public service personnel from police, fire and emergency medical services.

Additional activities sponsored by local neighborhoods may include block parties, cookouts, parades, exhibits, flashlight walks, contests and youth programs.

According to the NATW, last year's event was the largest ever, involving 37 million people in 15,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide.

Small space body strikes gas giant

Evidence is mounting that something did hit Jupiter no more than a few days ago. The impact site (a dark "scar" in Jupiter's clouds) was discovered on July 19th by Australian amateur astronomer Anthony Wesley, and NASA astronomers quickly confirmed the find.

The debris zone in Jupiter's clouds is itself as wide as a small planet, making it an easy target for backyard telescopes.



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OBITUARIES

Catalina Rios
1924-2009

COLORADO CITY – Mrs. Catalina Rios, age 84, died Monday, July 20, 2009, at Valley Fair Lodge in Colorado City. Rosary was held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 23, 2009, at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father Michael Udegbunam officiating. Burial will follow in the Mitchell County Cemetery.

Mrs. Rios was born in Fabens on August 16, 1924, to Esteban and Maria Larez. She married Rafael Rios in 1953 in Colorado City. Mrs. Rios was a longtime resident of Colorado City and a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

She is survived by her husband, Rafael Rios of Colorado City; daughters, Juanita Arispe of Colorado City, Susanna Pierce of Bedford, Indiana and Martha Lovett of Mountain Home, Idaho; sons, Luis Rios of Coral Gables, Florida and Jesse Rios of Sweetwater; and one sister, Golla Alvarado of Abilene.

Gloria M Erwin
1926-2009



COLORADO CITY- Gloria M Erwin, age 82, died on Tuesday, July 21, 2009 in Colorado City. Family received friends at the funeral home on Wednesday, July 22, 2009 from 5:00pm until 7:00pm. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 23, 2009 at 2:00pm at the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Dennis Bosley officiating and Prayer Service to follow at Colorado City Cemetary.

Gloria was born on November 24, 1926 in Longview to W.L. and Carrie Etheredge. She married Bill Erwin, November 11, 1945 in Colorado City. Gloria worked for a number of years for the City of Colorado City, first at the police department and then in the water department. She was an extraordinarily gifted story teller and loved to tell of "back when she worked at the police department." She was a member of All Saint's Episcopal Church.

Gloria is preceded in death by her parents, husband and sister, Gretchen Nolan.

Survivors are her daughters, Amelia Erwin of Midland; Julie Erwin of Colorado City; and Melanie Erwin of Odessa; grandchildren Holly and Mark Walker of Midland; great-grandchildren Casey, Sydni and Jaymi Walker of Midland; sister Jackie Butler and her husband R.L. of Hobbs, NM and brother Rick Etheredge and wife Louise of Midland, plus numerous grand dogs and grand cats.

She was a devoted wife, loving mother, life-long friend who really never met a stranger. She also was often referred to as "Miss Hardhead" when she had set her mind on something. She will be truly missed.

Loraine ISD gets new staff this fall

Loraine ISD will have some new faces this fall for the community and county to get to know. The school has also made some in-house moves.

Steve Komppa is changing pace from athletics and taking over the principal/counselor position. He has served as athletic director/counselor the last two years and administrative assistant/AD/counselor this current year.

Sheila Womack will be leaving 5th grade and moving to junior high English and Evon Harbour will be leaving 4th grade to teach junior high science.

Dale Means was hired as the new Athletic Director. Coach Means comes to Loraine from Whitharral ISD. Coach Means has 18 years in six-man schools and brings a lot of experience and knowledge to the position. Coach Means will also be teaching junior high math.

Monique Means also comes to the district from Whitharral and will be teaching business classes and yearbook.

Bianca Vasquez was hired from Snyder ISD. She will be the district's new volleyball and softball coach. She will also serve as the high school English teacher.

Melvin Settlemyre comes to LISD as the new Spanish teacher. He also brings an added certification in music and will be teaching elementary, junior high, and high school music classes.

Brandon Langston was hired to fill the special education position and will be the head baseball coach, as well as assisting in football and basketball.

Heston Fry comes to the district from Stanton ISD. He has many years of experience teaching science as well as U.I.L. coordination. He will serve as the district's high school science teacher and district U.I.L. academics co-

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LOCAL NEWS

Curfew plan draws fire

A proposed ordinance to establish a juvenile curfew sparked a strong debate among citizens during last week's city council meeting.

Kathy Newby voiced concerns that having a curfew would punish good kids. "Curfew causes those who are out doing what kids do to all be stopped. It penalizes the good kids," she said.

"What came up to establish having a curfew and why hasn't it already been stopped?"

Toby Bell also spoke out against a curfew. "It's not the business of the city or police to establish or enforce a curfew," he stated. "It's an infringement on rights and will make the problem worse by taking the responsibility away from the parents," Bell said, adding that parents of juveniles who do wrong need to be held liable.

Several business and home owners spoke in favor of the curfew, citing a rising rash of criminal mischief and burglaries in town.

"The police have no teeth to make the kids go home or talk to their parents," said Justin Harris, owner of CC Quality Meats.

"We have to have a legal and valid reason to stop a vehicle," said Lieutenant Cary Hale, who cited one reason for a curfew.

Having an established curfew would allow the police to take juveniles home to parents without involving Child Protective Services, which is their only option otherwise.

"Having a curfew gives police officers the right to stop, detain and question juveniles during the prescribed times. If we later find burglaries in a certain area of town, we then have a list of suspects based on the juveniles which we stopped in a particular area," said Chief of Police Ron Dooley.

"Our city has recently suffered from a rash of vehicle burglaries that occurred between midnight and 4:00 a.m. The persons arrested were two juveniles who lived in that area," Dooley said.

The ordinance was proposed due to a petition drafted by citizens and brought to city hall. The petition was started by Cecilia Garcia and signed by 26 people.

"We are in need of a curfew for our kids to be at home at certain hours at night," said Garcia.

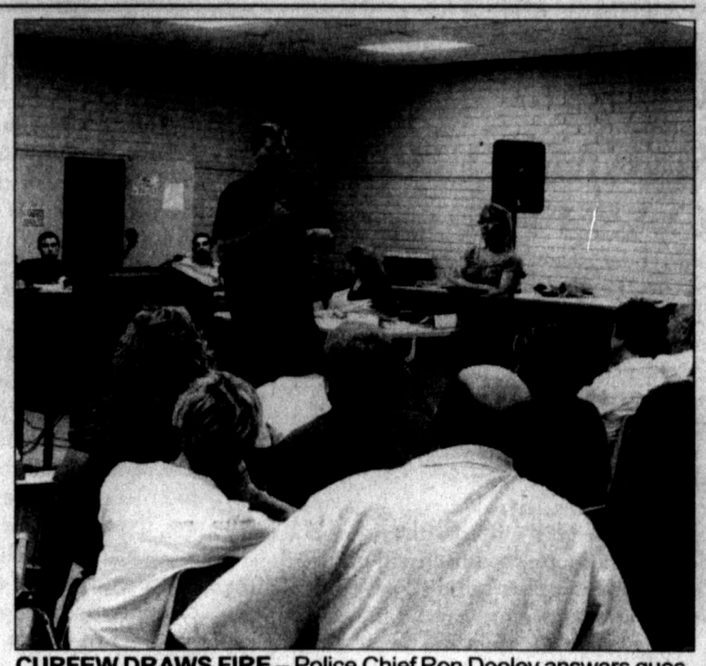
"This will keep them from danger of committing a crime such as burglary, trespassing, drugs and alcohol."

The proposed ordinance would establish the hours of curfew for minors under the age of 18 from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday. Weekend curfew hours would be established from midnight until 6 a.m. Friday and Saturday.

Flexible exceptions include minors accompanied by parents; minors running errands for parents, or traveling to or from work, school, religious, civic, city or adult sponsored event which takes responsibility for the minor; emergencies, or minors on the sidewalk in front of their own residences or the adjoining neighbor's home as long as the neighbor does not complain about the minor.

State law provides that juveniles taken into custody for curfew violation must be released to the minor's parent, guardian or custodian; taken before a municipal or justice court to answer the charge or taken to a place designated as a juvenile curfew pro-

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CURFEW DRAWS FIRE – Police Chief Ron Dooley answers questions from resident Kathy Newby concerning a proposed curfew at last week's city council meeting. The council tabled the issue for further investigation due to strong opinions on both sides of the issue.

Assessor receives honor



MITCHELL COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR Faye Lee was voted regional Tax Assessor-Collector of the Year. Lee will represent the Big Country Tax Assessor Collectors at the 2010 conference.

The Big Country Tax Assessor-Collector regional association named Faye Lee, tax assessor-collector for Mitchell County as their Tax Assessor-Collector of the Year.

Lee, along with tax assessors from every region of the state, will represent their respective regions at the June 2010 TACA (Tax Assessor-Collector Association) Conference and will be eligible for the State Tax Assessor-Collector of the Year.

Since 2010 conference theme will focus on local culture, Lee and her staff have begun collecting pictures of historical sites and early times in Colorado City. Their chief source of pho-

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OPINION & COMMENTARY

TUMBLEWEED SMITH
RIDING AN EMOTIONAL ROLLER COASTER



In early June I had one of the most emotional weekends of my life. While visiting our son Kevin and his family, we decided to take our five-year old grandson Caleb to see the Walt Disney movie UP. It is an animated film, the type I seldom have an interest in seeing. Caleb had seen it twice already, but I wanted to take him to a theater that showed it in 3-D.

We put on the special glasses and settled in to watch what I thought was a children's flick. I really expected to have to make an effort to stay awake. Boy, was I wrong. It captured me from the start and never let me go. Days later I'm still thinking about it. It is one of the most mesmerizing movies I've ever seen. It is filled with imagination and fantasy. The story is beautiful and tells of a couple's courtship and marriage and how they planned to have adventures and live in a place called Paradise Falls. The woman kept a diary that had a section on adventures yet to come. The man, named Carl Frederickson, made a living by selling balloons to children.

Years pass, the Fredericksons show their age and the wife passes away. In his grief, there comes a knock at his door and a young scout named Russell is working on a "help the elderly" merit badge. Mr. Frederickson thinks Russell is a nuisance at first, but then invites him into the house; the same one Carl and his wife lived in all their married life. Carl didn't want to leave the house, despite repeated invitations to live in a retirement home. He and Russell have fascinating adventures. Go see UP!

The next day after going to the movie, I saw my grandson Jackson graduate from high school. I was extremely cool, calm and collected until the pianist started playing Pomp and Circumstance. Then the tears rolled. My wife grabbed my hand and we just looked at each other with moist eyes. They stayed that way until the last of thirteen hundred graduates of Plano East High School got to their seats.

Jackson's name was on the list of honor graduates. His grades were high enough to get a scholarship to Millikin College in Decatur, Illinois, where he plans to study drama and creative writing.

Jackson is and has been an exemplary grandson. He has been on stage entertaining people since he was three years old. He has written and filmed a movie, written a chapter in a book and been the subject of some of my newspaper columns and radio programs. As a boy, he won the Mutton Bustin' Event at our local rodeo. Jackson is a wonderful, considerate and kind human being who loves to have new experiences. We've been privileged to take him to Disneyland (where at age nine he said "This is the happiest day of my life!"), Mesa Verde (where he bought a souvenir pewter frog and named it Cliff Dwelling), the Boundary Waters Canoe Area in Minnesota (where he told stories around a campfire), New York (where we saw the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade), Washington DC, Philadelphia and Hawaii. Time has flown by since he was thirteen. I wish him well. He's taking Cliff Dwelling with him to college.

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Drama brings Texas frontier to life

By Carol Parsons

Poet Laureate Red Steagal and his crew will present the outdoor musical drama The Soul of the West, Saturday, July 25th at the Perini Ranch Steakhouse in Buffalo Gap.

The drama, performed by a cast of well known Hollywood stars, is a benefit fundraiser for the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene.

The rehab center provides a wide range of services including physical, speech and occupational therapy, orthotics and prosthetics; as well as working with hearing, sports medicine and hospice.

The story, which brings Texas cowboy legends to life, takes place around a campfire, according to Anne Lockhart, best known for her role as Lt. Sheba in *Battlestar Galactica* and as founder of the Pro-Celebrity Rodeos.

"It takes place around Charles Goodnight's campfire in Palo Duro Canyon," said Lockhart, who is the daughter of actress June Lockhart.

Goodnight is best known as the inventor of the chuck wagon, a key architect of the modern livestock industry and Texas Ranger.

"Gradually all the fallen true character spirits of the old west gather around Red's campfire," she said.

The drama seeks to bring the people who played an important part in the Texas frontier to life, rather than as some ghostly tale in the Dickens fashion.

"About 10 years ago, Red called me about putting together a Texas Southwest Cattleman's gala. He wanted me to play the part of Frenchie McCormick, a true Texas frontier woman. I researched her life and fell in love with her," said Lockhart, who's friendship with Steagal goes back some 25 years.

Researching the life of McCormick was "the most intense experience," said Lockhart. "I researched everything I could, picked a point of view and sat down and it just flew. It was almost like I was channeling her. Essentially she wanted her words heard. I have a real connection to her."

The troupe, which includes Buck Taylor (*Gunsmoke*), Alex Cord (*Air Wolf*), and Barry Corbin (*Northern Exposure*), performs the drama only once a year. They have played in the Palo Duro Canyon twice, in 2006 and 2007.

"The show really speaks to the spirit of all the people that built our west. It includes all races and the hardships they endured, their strength and determination, their love of the land," said Lockhart.

"This heritage of the land needs to be protected and continued. It's fast going away. If we don't take it on ourselves to protect it, it's going to be gone," she said.

"It's a joy to do this show," said Lockhart. "It's even more of a joy to do it for the West Texas Rehab."

Lockhart, who said she spent 20 years trying to get to Texas, lives in Fort Worth and "really, really loves being a Texan."

Tickets are $125, with table packages for groups of 10 available. All proceeds,

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

Mary Brown, aka Sally, and I will be sworn in at the Colorado City Housing Authority board meeting on July 27, 2009. We would like to invite the public and all the tenants to this event. We want to share this happy occasion with them.

We want to thank everyone who came to support us at the City Council meeting. Your presence spoke volumes. To those who had to leave early and to those who could not be there July 14, thank you. You were a part of our success.

Tenants, come with your concerns. You not only have a voice on this board, you also have a board that will listen to you. Come and see how powerful you are on July 27, 2009.

Yours truly,
Bessie Wright
CCHA Resident Commissioner

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Letter to the Editor:

My two and a half years as Pat Taylor's boss were nothing short of fantastic. Pat was the employee one dreams of as a boss. He was always on time and knowledgeable in all areas.

What some did not know was his wicked sense of humor. Pat was extremely bright and could make me laugh for hours on end. One of my favorite things was sitting in my office listening to Pat and Chris Pearson fighting like brothers. Chris would leave the office and Pat would spend 15-20 minutes sabotaging Chris's computer or hiding his keys. Pat was notorious for taking your keys and hiding them in the freezer. You had better not leave the keys in your patrol car or it would end up in your front yard or out on Main Street!

Pat had a dedication to serve the public in many ways. A tireless community advocate who was always proud to tell folks he was from Colorado City. I have seen Pat so tired he could barely make it, only to make a lodge meeting or go to some Rotary function later in the day.

The best memory I have was two winters ago we all came into work about 2 in the morning to assist the County working wrecks because of the ice. Pat showed up in a one piece snowmobile suit with a furry hat. Pat truly looked like a Russian bomber pilot. He called himself "Rusky One" on the radio the rest of the night. True to his character he was back at 8:00 a.m. to work his regular shift after staying out all night.

Many in Colorado City did not know the bad days when money was tight. Pat once worked almost seven months without a day off and never missed a single day.

I feel greatly blessed to have known Pat and call him my friend; Godspeed Pat Taylor.

Eric Foerster
Former Colorado City Police Chief

Events Calendar

Sept. 11	LHS Annual Golf Tourney	Wolf Creek Golf Course
Sept. 12	LHS Homecoming Reunion	LHS Gym
Sept. 18	Kiwanis BBQ	Kiwanis Park
Sept. 18	Wolves Homecoming	Wolf Stadium
Sept. 26, 27	Junktique Jamboree	Downtown
Sept. 26	Cowboy Breakfast	Downtown
Sept. 26	Mitchell County Reunion	Civic Center
Sept. 26	Heart of West TX Museum Benefit	Heritage House
Oct. 3, 4	Annual Boer Goat Cook-Off	Ruddick Park
TBA	Trick or Treat Around Town	Around Town
Nov. 6	19th Annual Hunter Appreciation	Railhead Building
Nov. 21, 22	Railhead Trade Days	Railhead Building
Dec. 5, 6	Festival of Trees / Parade / Chili Supper	Downtown, Railhead Building

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W.L. Alexander to William L. Alexander Ttee, Betty H. Alexander Ttee, Alexander Family Living Trust, Deed/Contribution.

Citizen's Bank of Philadelphia, Rodd Mixon Regional President to Mortgage Funding Corporation, Asgmt of Lien.

Mortgage Funding Corporation, Susie Taylor Sr. Vice President to Henry Sosa, Robert Klemme Ttee, Swartz & Brough Inc., Release of Lien.

Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Dept of Treasury to Ralph Carter, Pat L. Carter, Federal Tax Ln.

L.R. Lawrence, to Lawrence Family Trust, Warranty Deed.

Isabel Beltran Agent, Mitchell County Hospital to Daniel I. Rivera, Rel Hospital Lien.

Mitchell County Hospital, Isabel Beltran Agent to Monica Latimer, Rel Hospital Lien.

Mary Katherine Kerby Independent Executrix to Jack Lewis Kerby Deceased, Executors Deed.

Bolin Construction Inc., Hobie Bolin to City of Colorado City, Affidavit.

Hugh Alan White, Bruce Edward White, M.D. White Trust of Setp. 1, 2006, P.W. Crissey Trust of Oct. 9, 2008 to Soma Operating Company LLC, Oil & Gas Lease.

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Nellie A. Rex to Paul Grass, Opal Grass, Bill of Sale.

Opal Grass to Michael P. Grass, Deborah E. Grass, Bill of Sale.

Bette Stevens to Betty Hill, Paul Grass Deceased, Public, CC Affidavit.

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Tommy D. Jones to Shanna Murphy, Child Sup Lien.

La Verne Moody to Kaci L. Rainbolt, Warrranty Deed.

Kaci L. Rainbolt, Kyle Rainbolt to Bank of America NA, Deed Trust.

Patricia Hernandez, José Hernandez, Mortgage Electronic Reg Systems Inc "MERS" Nominee, Marsha Monroe Sub Ttee to BAC Home Loans Servicing LP fka, Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, Sub Trustee De.

Marsha Monroe Sub Ttee, Brian Taylor, Mortgage Electronic Reg Systems Inc "MERS" Nominee, Wells Fargo Bank NA to Wells Fargo Bank NA, Sub Trustee De.

W. Forrest Wynn Deceased to Public, G. Todd Bright Independent Co-Executor, John J. Klein Independent Co-Executor, CC Probate.

Martha J. Leonard Revocable Trust & Trust III, Miranda Leonard Revocable Trust & Trust III, Mary Leonard Children Trust, Madelon Leonard Trust III to RBP Land Company, Robert B. Porter Jr. Pres, Amend OG&ML.

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Ramon Tavarez Deceased to Luiza Tavarez Ind Executrix, Public CC Probate.

Luiza Tavarez Ind Executrix, Ramond Tavarez Estate to Luiza Tavarez, Distrib Deed.

Jeffrey Martin President, Texas Savings Bank SSB to Jerry Turnage, Brenda Turnage, Release of Lien.

MARRIAGES

Robert Bruce Gale, Colorado City to Peggy Ann Mentel, Colorado City.

Anthony James Muñoz, Knox City to Candace Brooke Womack, Knox City.

Glenn Curtis Siemens, Colorado City to Nikki Joann Taylor, Colorado City.

Miguel Angel Acevedo, Loraine to Krystal Christina Sanchez, Loraine.

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Johnathan Arispe, 7-13-09, Resisting Arrest.

Connie Jo Gifford, 7-13-09, Driving While Intoxicated.

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Patrick Cullen Gainey, 7-13-09, Driving While Intoxicated.

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Naomi Martinez, 30, CCPD, Assault Class C Family Violence, 7-15-09.

Danny Floyd Boatman, MCSO, Arson, 7-16-09.

Delia Diaz, 39, CCPD, Forgery, 7-15-09.

Henry Salazar Sosa Jr., 17, MCSO, 3rd Degree Felony Deadly Conduct, 7-17-09.

Adrianne Michelle Muñoz, 17, MCSO, 3rd Degree Felony Deadly Conduct, 7-17-09.

Leilanie Pressley, 37, THP, Theft by Check, 7-17-09.

Alec Goodney, 17, CCPD, 3rd Degree Felony Deadly Conduct, 7-17-09.

Isaac Aguilar, 32, MCSO, DWI 3rd, 7-17-09.

Robert Michael Arispe, 19, CCPD, City Wrnts x2, 7-18-09.

Manuel Menjares, 44, CCPD, Agg Assault w/Deadly Weapon, Possess Drug Par, 7-17-09.

Michael Dwayne Whitaker, 48, THP, MTR – Wrnt Henderson Co, Criminal Misc, 7-18-09.

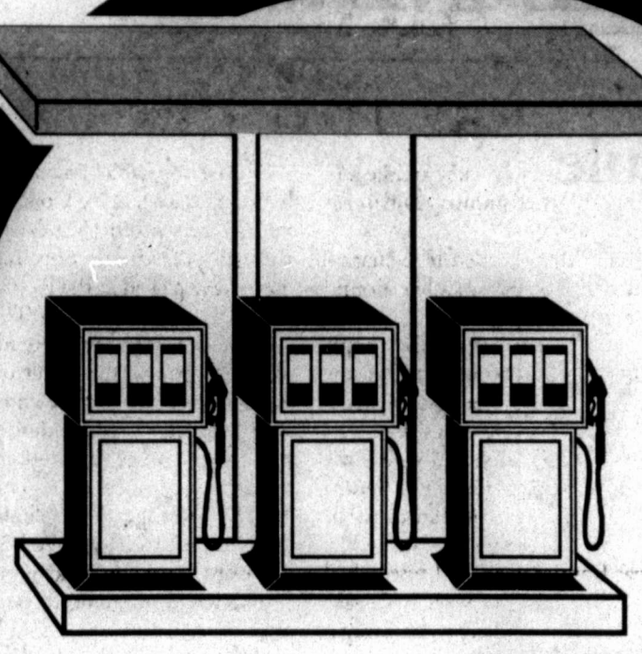
Delia Rivera Rodriquez, 43, CCPD, PI, DOC, 7-19-09.

Veronica Beltran, 20, CCPD, POM <2 oz, Resisting Arrest, 7-19-09.

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LOCAL NEWS

County adopts new insurance rate schedule

Mitchell County employees will have more payment options for health insurance after the commissioners court approved a five rate schedule at their Monday meeting.

The current health insurance payment options offers only two rates: employee and employee and family.

The new schedule offers prorated options for employee, employee and one child, employee and children, employee and spouse and employee and family.

The decision to go to a five rate structure allows the rates to be more equally distributed, according to Tommy Morris of Tommy Morris Insurance Agency out of Abilene.

The court also approved the renewal group rate proposed by the Texas Association of Counties (TAC), acceptance of TAC's renewal credit, the renewal of the group life insurance with no changes, and to have Blue Cross handle any COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) notification.

COBRA gives employees who leave the right to continue their health insurance at group rates for themselves and their dependants for a specified time.

The commissioners also opened and approved a bid for road materials from SW Intergrated Enterprises from the Loraine quarry at $4. 90 per ton.

Precincts 1 and 4 have estimated they will need around 10,000 tons of crushed rock each for future road building and repair.

The funds for the road materials will come out of each precinct's individual budget rather than the roads and bridges special fund.

Other business included approval of a resolution honoring Texas State Representative Drew Darby, a budget amendment of $27,946.78 line items TDCJ projects as a disbursement for Board of Economic Development projects and the acceptance of a deed for 221.7 acres of land from the State of Texas for property north of I-20, which the county had previously deeded to TDCJ Wallace-Ware units. The property will be used for future economic development.



NEWEST DEPUTY TO join the Mitchell County Sheriff's Department is Dickie Summers, former Loraine Chief of Police. Summers has prior deputy experience. "I'm returning to something I'm comfortable with," he said.

CURFEW

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cessing office by the chief of police.

Citations for curfew violation cannot be issued unless the officer reasonably believes that an offense has occurred.

Curfew violators may be fined up to $500 per offense.

"Having worked for a city that implemented a curfew, I found that the curfew resulted in an almost immediate decrease in property crimes such as burglary of vehicles, criminal mischief and graffiti," said Dooley. "I have personally seen that a curfew ordinance helps reduce crime, makes parents responsible for their child's behavior and gives law enforcement a valuable investigative tool."

The city council voted to table the ordinance for further discussion with school officials, parents, and students for additional input.

LORAINE

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demics coordinator.

Kristi Martin is returning to the district to teach in the Pre-K program.

"I believe our district has done a tremendous job hiring quality teachers and I am looking forward to a very good year. Our district is offering more electives and continues to offer dual-credit to qualified students at no expense to the student. This district and administration is continuing to move towards higher test results and improved technological education with the use of laptops provided to our students by the district," Steve Komppa said. "Our community is special and supports this school and their children, with that continued effort from parents, staff, and administration the students at Loraine will continue to achieve and succeed. I look forward to the opportunity to serve this district and our community."

DRAMA

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which includes dinner, go to the Rehab Center. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by the performance at 8:30 pm. For more information, contact the Perini Ranch at 1-800-367-1721 or the West Texas Rehabilitation Center at 325-793-3527.

DOCTOR

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cultures. We enjoy both cultures."

Working at Mitchell County Hospital will be Gallegos' first formal job in the field of family practice. His varied background allows him flexibility in focusing on women's health, while treating children with behavioral/education/learning difficulties, as well as spine, neck and back problems or injuries.

"I've very impressed with the friendliness and openness and the hospital's willingness to improve. Every aspect is very positive," he said.

"There were other offers and they were not even close. Mr. Stinson (Karl Stinson, CEO) has the ability of being totally straight and a very good planner. That mindset made me decide there was no comparision with any other job offer," Gallegos said.

"This was a new opportunity. The others were not comparable to here. That tells you how interesting this is," he said. "I can adapt to any size city."

"One of my expectations is to make the hospital and clinic widespread and accessible for the area," he said. "For example there are no ob-gyns in Sweetwater. There are lots of small, little towns that need us."

Gallegos is an avid historian, as well as a poet. He plans to publish an anthology of poetry later this year. He also enjoys visiting with people, walks, sports, anything positive and Lake Colorado City.

The Mitchell County Hospital District and Family Medical Associates would like to invite the community to a reception in honor of Dr. Gallegos on July 27 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 in the south atrium of the hospital

To schedule an appointment with Dr. Gallegos, call 325-782-2693.

ASSESSOR

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tos comes from the Heart of West Texas Museum.

"The public is invited to drop by and see the pictures and share some of their own to complete the wall," said Lee, adding that copies of the photos would be made and the originals returned to their owners.

The collection of photographs representing the early history of Colorado City will be on display at the tax assessor's office on 2nd Street.

"Ten pictures from every district at the conference will be displayed as table decorations," said Lee.

Kenny Clanton created a barb wire tornado as part of the photo display.

"The tornado represents our daily struggles," said Lee. "The star on top represents each person who remains cool, calm and collected in the situations they face each day."

The state wide conference will be held in Abilene and host representatives from all 254 Texas counties.

Regional Tax Assessor-Collectors of the Year, like Lee, will be honored at the conference and one will be selected as the State Assessor of the Year based on community activities and service on state committees.

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ARSON

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Redwine said several witnesses placed the suspect at the scene of the fire.

First degree arson carries a penalty of 5 to 99 years in prison and a fine of up to $10,000.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who helped make the July 3rd - 4th weekend successful.

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We appreciate all who rode in the parade and those who watched and judged. The judges were Taylor and Rachel Beckmeyer.

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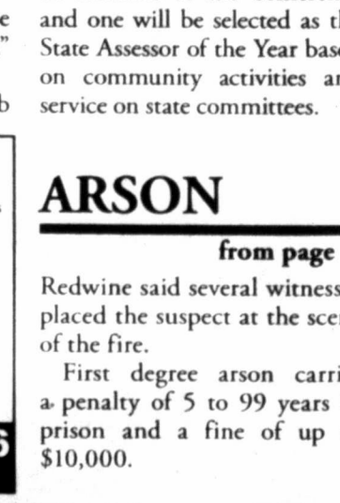
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The members of the West Texas Art Guild would like to thank the following people and businesses for their loyal support to the Arts. With your patronage we were able to have our annual children's art show, give money for art supplies to all the local schools, and give a scholarship to a deserving senior interested in pursuing a visual art career. Our deserving senior this year was Kari Matlock who is planning to attend Texas Tech in the fall pursuing a degree in design.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to all our 2008 & 2009 Art Patrons:

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LOCAL NEWS



TCDA PRESIDENT MIKE REDWINE recognizes guest speaker retired Texas Ranger Joaquin Jackson at the 2009 TCDA Conference. *(Photo courtesy of TCDA)*

Redwine's term ends as TCDA president

Chief Deputy Mike Redwine recently completed his term as president of the Texas Chief Deputies Association at the 2009 TCDA Conference in Kerrville, June 16-19.

Redwine received a Kimber .45 Desert Warrior pistol in appreciation for his work as TCDA president during 2008.

"It was a big honor for me representing the whole state of Texas," said Redwine. "It was also neat because Sheriff Toombs was president of the Texas Sheriff's Association the year before I went in as president of the Texas Chief Deputies Association."

Some of Redwine's duties during the conference were the presentation of the guest speaker retired Texas Ranger Joaquin Jackson, and presentation of the 2009 Melvin Drum Award to Chief Bobby Garmon.

"We had a good turnout and good feed back. It went really well, even though I was really nervous," said Redwine, who has a master's certification in blood stain analysis and is a member of the Homicide Investigators of Texas.

The TCDA began in 1985 when two chief deputies in neighboring counties met at the county line to discuss a rash of watermelon thefts.

The joint efforts of that investigation led to an associaton where deputies could pool their resources and network, making solving cases easier.

"Last year there were 175 members in attendance," said Redwine. "This year's conference had 332 attendees and their families."

During the conference, chief deputies attend training sessions, meet with vendors that offer new technology and network with other chief deputies. Experienced chief deputies form a question and answer panel to assist those newly appointed to chief deputy.

"There's a lot of difference going from being a field deputy to a chief deputy," said Redwine. "The networking is a handy tool. I can call anybody in the state of Texas. It's also just nice to know all those guys because you never know when you're going to need them."

Chief deputies are encouraged to bring their families to the conference, who receive a lot of pampering, from spa days for the wives, to sightseeing field trips for the families.

Calvary Baptist students ministries is collecting new shoes for orphans

A simple pair of children's shoes may not look powerful, but they can make a big difference in the lives of orphans around the world.



Calvary Baptist Church Student Ministries is teaming up with Buckner International and Rock the Desert (a Christian music festival held in Odessa) to ask Mitchell County residents to collect shoes for children in need. Since 1999, Buckner has sent more than 1.9 million pairs of new shoes to at-risk children in the United States and in more than 68 other countries around the globe.

Loran Rule of CBC Ministries said, "We hope that with the support of area churches, retailers and civic groups, we can help Buckner reach their goal and make this life better for children."

"We have seen the smiles that a new pair of shoes brings to children in the orphanages we visit, and we want to extend that same joy to others like them," said Rachel Garton, director of Shoes for Orphan Souls. "Because of the many churches like Calvary Baptist and the Rock the Desert Shoe Drive's commitment to this program, we can continue to increase the number of kids who will benefit."

"Millions of children reside in orphanages throughout our world," Garton said, "and those orphanages are not receiving enough money to care for the children's most basic needs, like shoes and socks."



An unexpected benefit of donating new shoes is the sense of satisfaction on the part of the person who gives. "At Buckner, we say new shoes are good for the soul – yours and theirs," Garton said. "A person who gives can't help but feel as though they also have received a great gift."

Donated items should be for children and teens and due to customs regulations, shoes and socks need to be brand new. For those preferring to make a cash donation, $25 will buy a new pair of shoes and cover distribution costs.

Garton emphasized no donation is too small. "Most of the donations to the shoe drive have come from families giving one or two pairs of shoes. Every one pair of shoes makes a big difference to the child that receives them." You can drop-off shoes at Calvary Baptist Church located at 1025 E. 15th, no later than August 6th.

On August 7th, the students from Calvary will be delivering their collected shoes to the Rock the Desert Shoe Drive being held at its annual Christian music festival. RDT's Shoe Drive goal is 10,000 pairs of shoes.

Ice cream social to be held at Wallace

There's nothing like a bowl of homemade ice cream, and July is National Ice Cream Month! What better way to celebrate than an ice cream social held by the Wallace Senior Citizens Center.

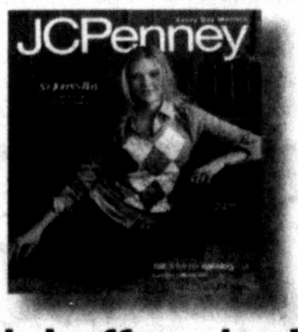
Volunteers at the center will host an ice cream and dessert social on Friday, July 24 at the Wallace Senior Citizens Center from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Cost is $5 per person and $2.50 for kids 10 and under.

Proceeds will benefit the nutritional program at the center. So, go out and enjoy a great summertime treat and support a good cause at the same time.



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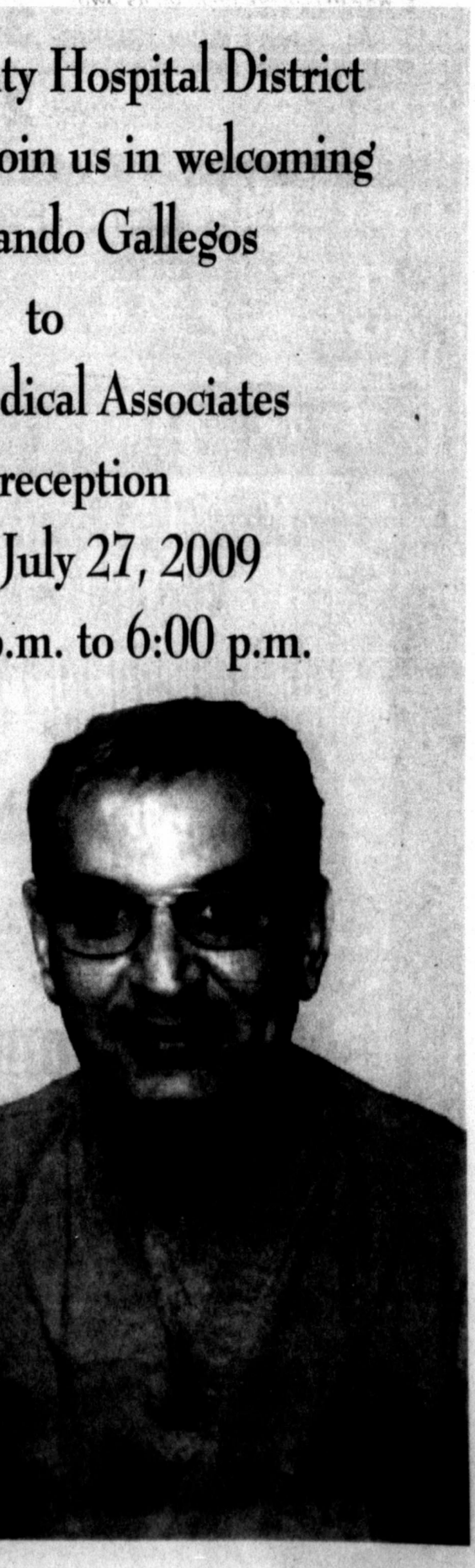
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Tips to keep clothes fresh year round

(ARA) - For most of us, the changing season also means changing out your wardrobe. Saying goodbye to one set of clothing and hello to another doesn't have to be a big chore. With the right products and some helpful know-how, you'll be prepared to look your best at any time of the year.

* Proper storage containers are key

The best method is to store clean clothes in a freestanding closet, storage bags or a heavy-duty plastic bin. Using these types of containers helps your clothing remain free of pests and outside odors.

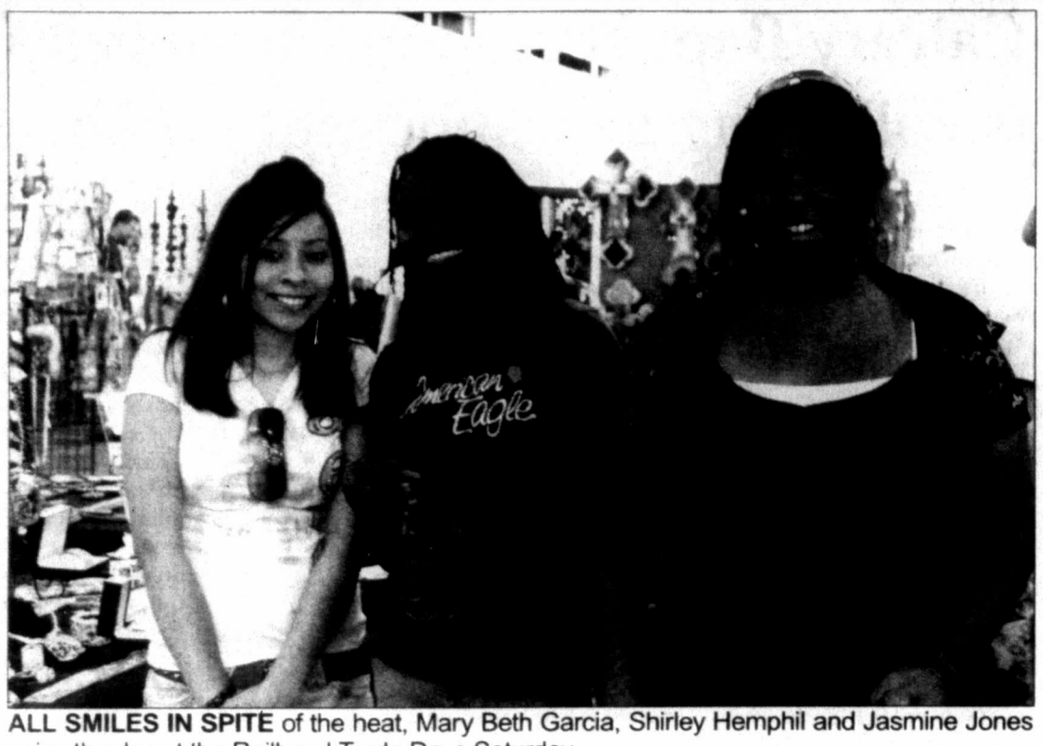
Do not use cardboard boxes as they let in moisture and bugs -- both of which can ruin your clothing.

* Store it right

The ideal location is one that maintains a cool, even temperature, is well-ventilated and away from artificial light. Avoid attics, damp basements and garages.

To get the wrinkles out of your entire seasonal wardrobe without spending a lot of time and money on laundry and dry cleaning, consider investing in a garment steamer such as the Rowenta Precision Valet.

LOCAL NEWS



ALL SMILES IN SPITE of the heat, Mary Beth Garcia, Shirley Hemphil and Jasmine Jones enjoy the day at the Railhead Trade Days Saturday.

Railhead Trade Days flaunts the unusual

From western style doggie beds to the latest fashions the July Railhead Trade Days continued its tradition of offering up new and unique crafts and wares.

"It was one of the best July shows I've ever worked," said Carla Sauer, Chamber of Commerce secretary. "The heat really didn't stop the shoppers from coming out and over half of our vendors have signed up for the November show."

Railhead Days are also a good time to reconnect with old friends. Kay Sparks grew up in Colorado City and started coming to the Railhead Trade Days with the Christmas show.

"This is my first year to do all three shows," she said. "Everyone is really friendly. You get to see people you knew from 30 years ago."

"It's always good to come back home," said Katherine Reyes, formerly of C-City, now from El Paso. Reyes teamed up with Lupita Amador of Colorado City to exhibit her stained glass windows. Creating the stained glass windows can sometimes take up to two weeks. "I cut every piece of glass," said Reyes. "That's a lot of cuts," she said, wiggling her fingers.

Davy and Linda Allen brought their wooden crosses from Abilene. "It's a little hobby we started," said Linda Allen. "I made one for myself and took it to work and it went like wild fire."

While other trade shows may be larger, none are friendlier, according to Taylor Autry of Snyder. "I really enjoy the show," said Autry. A third time vendor, Autry has made trade shows at Snyder, Stanton and Fort Worth, but keeps coming back to Colorado City. "It's the friendly people," she said.

The next Railhead Trades Days is scheduled for the second weekend in November. For more information, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 325-728-3403.

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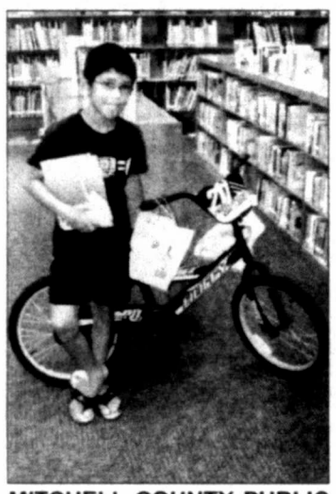
Library fun goes on

Summer time and the summer reading programs may be winding down, but there are still a lot of things happening at the Mitchell County Public Library.

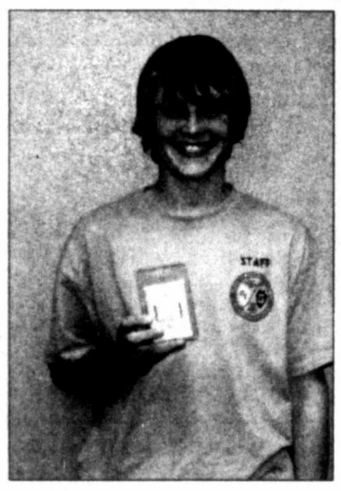
Story Time on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. continues all year long.

The Teen Time on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. will continue the rest of the summer.

Keep watching for the new fall schedule for Teen Time. New movies and books are always coming in, but don't forget the great classics that maybe you haven't read or seen in a while.



MITCHELL COUNTY PUBLIC Library held the Deep in the Heart of Texas Summer Reading Program this summer. All those attending registered for a drawing to be held at the end of the program. Winner of the drawing was Darian Espinoza, who took home a brand new bicycle.



AN IPOD SHUFFLE was awarded to the winner of the Time Twistin' Texas Teen Reading Program, Zachary Dalton. The drawing was held at the Mitchell County Library at the conclusion of the summer reading program recently.



FLIGHT PARAMEDIC LORAN RULE (right) for the Big Spring Air Evac Lifeteam, was awarded the 2009 Regional Safety Award by Director of Safety David Hardin (left) on Friday, June 20 at the company's banquet in Waco, Texas. He received $500 for the award.

Air Evan presents local paramedic with award

Loran Rule, flight paramedic for the Big Spring Air Evac Lifeteam crew, was chosen as the 2009 Regional Safety Award winner June 20 during the company's regional awards banquet in Waco, Texas. The awards banquet honored employees from the Texas region.

The Regional Safety Award is presented to the employee who has provided a safe working environment and atmosphere for the employees of Air Evac Lifeteam.

"Loran takes the safety awareness past his flight duties at AEL and utilizes his status as a flight crew member to teach the importance of safety to others. As an example, at a PR with school age children, he held his flight helmet and educated the students about the importance of wearing a helmet while on their bicycle or any type of motorcycle. His crew watched the student's listen so intently as if thinking "WOW, he wears a helmet! That is cool!" He kept emphasizing the importance of safety in everything they do and the fact the flight crew took every action to be 'always safe'," said Director of Safety David Hardin who present the award.

Rule has been employed with Air Evac Lifeteam since May 2006.

Air Evac Lifeteam is a membership-supported air ambulance company that provides emergency care and rapid medical transport to rural communities.

ASSAULT

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tween several people in the street and one person who was severely injured in the hand," said Chief of Police Ron Dooley.

The suspect had apparently retrieved a hoe from his garage and hit another person in the hand, causing a severe injury, based on statements from witnesses.

Forty-five-year-old Manuel Menjares was arrested and charged with assault with a deadly weapon, which is a second degree felony.

All the victims were treated at Mitchell County Hospital. There were no fatalities.

JURY

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Nevarez, money laundering, a second degree felony, committed 5-27-09; Carol Polanco, theft, a state jail felony, committed 5-23-09; Fernando Esteban Sandoval, possession of a controlled substance, namely cocaine, a first degree felony, committed 4-16-09 carrying a penalty of 10 years to 99 year or life and a fine not to exceed $100,000.

Cases committed on TDCJ property and presented by Mark Edwards, special prosecutor for the state of Texas, before the grand jury were Dedric Antonio Gibbs, assault of a public servant, third degree felony, committed on 7-23-08; Hung Le Nguyen, possession of prohibited substance in a penal institution, a third degree felony, committed 7-7-08; Alberto Angel Soto, Jr., possession of a prohibited substance in a penal institution, a third degree felony, committed 6-12-07; and George Villa, possession of a prohibited substance in a penal institution, a third degree felony committed 6-12-07.

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LOCAL NEWS



LAKE VISITOR TERESA LINER of Memphis, Texas (right) tries on a dress from vendor Judy Wadsworth of Lubbock (left) at the July Railhead Trade Days.

Dove appreciation day slated Aug. 13th

Texas AgriLife Extension Service will conduct a multi-county Dove Appreciation Day from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Aug. 13 in Colorado City.

The morning program will be in the C.C. Thompson Room of the City National Bank, located on 2nd Street in the center of town. An afternoon field tour is scheduled at Kirk Morris Farms located northwest of Colorado City at Cuthbert.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered.

"Dove hunting is big business in our area, and this season is shaping up to be a good one," said John Senter, AgriLife Extension agent in Mitchell County. "Dove season is just around the corner, so now is the ideal time for dove enthusiasts to learn what they can expect this year. We have planned this seminar to be a one-stop shop for all things relating to the upcoming season. So whether you are a hunter, outfitter or landowner this program should be a priority if dove hunting is in your future."

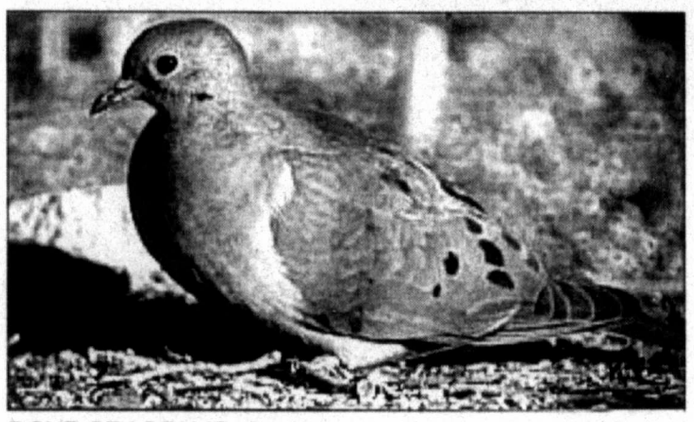
Morning topics and speakers will include: Appreciating Dove, Dr. Dale Rollins, AgriLife Extension wildlife specialist, San Angelo; Laws and Harvest Regulations, Randy Bullard, Mitchell County game warden; Economics of Dove Hunting, Dr. Jason Johnson, AgriLife Extension economist, Stephenville; Food Plot and Shooting Field Management, Ricky Linex, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Parker County; and Understanding Your Liability, Rollins.

Topics covered during the afternoon tour will include: shooting field management and inspection, identification of key plants for dove and farm ponds for dove hunting.

The seminar is being conducted by AgriLife Extension offices in Mitchell and Scurry counties.

Individual registration is $10 by Aug. 10 and $15 thereafter. The fee covers a catered noon meal.

To pre-register or for more information, call Senter at 325-728-3111 or Greg Gruben, AgriLife Extension agent in Scurry County, at 325-573-5423.



DOVE SEASON IS shaping up to be a good one in Mitchell County. The season begins September 5.

Dry conditions add headaches for agricultural producers

As the growing season progresses, hot, dry conditions prevail over much of Texas causing crops, pastures and rangeland to wither, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service expert.

"We're actually experiencing quite a reversal in rainfall patterns in some areas with some rain falling on the normally dry western parts of the state while the traditionally wetter eastern portions are suffering severe drought conditions and prolonged 100-degree heat," said Dr. Travis Miller, AgriLife Extension agronomy leader at College Station. "More than 70 percent of the state is in one stage or the other of drought."

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples said current dry conditions are adding more headaches to the state's already overburdened agricultural producers.

"Texas farmers and ranchers are some of the most resilient people I have ever known," Staples said. "Our producers have been hit hard with a triple threat starting with Hurricane Ike, then with our nation's current economic calamity, and now one of the worst droughts our state has seen in years.

"We hope God will bless us with moisture to relieve some of the pressure facing our producers," he said. "While we wait, state and federal agencies are working together to offer assistance and I urge producers to take advantage of these critical resources."

Those sources include:

- The Agricultural Drought Task Force Web site, http://agrilife.tamu.edu/drought/ provides a clearing house of drought-related information from a number of state and federal agencies. The site is divided into two distinct areas. The 'Resources on Drought' section provides static and changing information on drought ranging from stream-flow data and weather information to links provided by the participating agencies. The 'News Updates/Situational Reports' section features the latest items submitted by the participating agencies.

- Texas Department of Agriculture's Hay Hotline at 1-877-429-1998 connects ranchers with hay suppliers. The resource is meant to connect those with extra hay to sell or pasture to lease with those needing it. The agency's 'Disaster Resource Information Packet' is also available and provides pertinent contact information for state, federal and private agricultural disaster assistance programs. See www.TexasAgriculture.gov for more information on both Texas Department of Agriculture resources.

- U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency provides low-interest (3.75 percent interest on July 9, 2009) emergency loans to help eligible producers recover from natural disasters. Loans can cover restoring or replacing essential property; essential family living expenses; production costs associated with the disaster year; reorganizing the farming operation and refinance of certain debts.

Interested producers should contact the office that serves the county in which their operation is located for options available in their specific location. For statewide assistance contact Brenda Carlson, public affairs specialist, U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency at 979-680-5213, brenda.carlson@tx.usda.gov.

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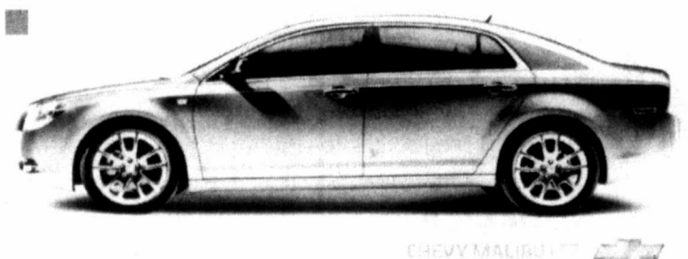


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THESE CAMPERS ATTENDED Jazz Jammers Piano Camp, July 6-10 at Baldwin Studio of Music in Snyder. They are: (bottom row, l-r) Carolyn Stelluti, Jayla Seilhant, Callie Hargrove, Caleigh Oakley; (middle row) Kaleb Alarcon, Cylie Velasquez, Sadie Robertson, Jesi Hunter, Kate McWilliams, Zach Harty; (top row) counselors Averey Wright, Conner Smith, Megan McWilliams, and Courtney Pollard. Not pictured is lifeguard Ashley Browning.



THE YARD OF Jean Jones (center), 928 Oak Street, was chosen as a Yard of the Month recently. A sign was placed in the yard by Keep Colorado City Beautiful representative Marge Kolman (right). Mrs. Jones is pictured with her daughter, Debbie Tubb.

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Students enjoy camp

Several students of the Baldwin Studio of Music in Snyder attended Jazz Jammers Piano Camp, July 6-10 at Baldwin Studio of Music.

Campers enjoyed many activities including ensembles at five keyboards, relay races, music rhythm games, and creating and acting in a musical puppet show.

Students attending were Carolyn Stelluti, Jayla Seilhant, Callie Hargrove, Caleigh Oakley of Colorado City, Kaleb Alarcon, Cylie Velasquez, Sadie Robertson, Jesi Hunter, Kate McWilliams, Zach Harty, Averey Wright, Conner Smith, Megan McWilliams, Courtney Pollard and Ashley Browning. Lynn Baldwin served as director of the camp.



ADRIANA GOMEZ AND her court of honor at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Sweetwater: (back row) Chris Madrid, Don Herrera, Ryan Rivera, Stephen Flores, Douglas Garcia, Mathew Guerra, Escourt Mat Potter, Jadrian Dominguez, Landon Johns, Aaron Rivera, Damian Davila, Darek Gomez, Matt Jackson, Benny Jones. (front row) Tara Higgins, Sarena Lujan, Rebecca Perez, Heather Barrera, Lysette Cervantes, Kaley Molina, Ann-Marie Morrison, Quinceañera Adriana Gomez, Miranda Reyna, Dylan Billingsley, Hope Sanchez, Brittany Hilario, Frankie Gaona, Casie Lemons, Alexia Espinoza.

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Local Quinceañera lights up the night



Adriana Gomez
Adriana Gomez, a sophomore honor student at Colorado High School, celebrated her sweet 15th birthday with a Quinceañera celebration on June 13, 2009. The Quinceañera was hosted by her mother and step-father, Nannette and Ricardo Mata of Colorado City, and her grandmother, Angelica Montez of Sweetwater.

The celebration began with a special religious ceremony held at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Sweetwater. The ceremony was performed by Fr. Michael Rodriquez. The scripture readings were read by Dylan Billingsley and Hope Sanchez of Colorado City. The choir, led by David Mendez of Sweetwater, sang several selections including, "Here I am, Lord" and "Quiero Decir Que Sí."

The reception following the ceremony was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Sweetwater. The menu consisted of fried chicken, brisket, potato salad, rice, beans, salad and rolls. The meal was catered by Allen's Fried Chicken and Rosa'a Grill of Sweetwater, and Billy Smith and Rick Mata of Colorado City.

The dance concluded the evening. A processional march, choreographed by Maria Davila and Nannette Mata, was performed by Adri's Court of Honor, followed by a traditional circle dance "La Mariposa." Adri danced her first dance with her step-father, Rick Mata. Next she danced with her escourt, Mat Potter, as her court joined in on the song, "Pretty Little Adriana" by Vince Gill. A highlight of the evening was a duet sung by Adri and her mother, Nannette Mata, called, "Imagine Me Without You." Fun was had by all as Adri and her court danced the night away to the music of DJ Lowdown of Abilene.

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SCHOOL NEWS

CHS Band welcome back party is a slippery success

Sunday, July 19th marked the official beginning of the year for the Colorado High School marching band. The welcome back party brings the band back together and introduces the incoming freshmen into the group.

The party was attended by approximately 60 band students, as well as the band directors and parents brave enough to stay and supervise.

The kids enjoyed pizza and drinks and playing water balloon volleyball and a game involving soap and a tarp. "There was a tarp covered with soap, and there was a bandana in the middle," described a soaked CHS freshman, Will Guthrie, with foam squishing out of his sneakers. "We each had numbers, and when they called them we had to run to the middle and be the first one to get it. It was fun!"

Amidst all the fun, the students' favorite part appeared to be covering their teachers with shaving cream and getting them soaked! By the end of the evening, only one or two adults had escaped dry.



CHS BAND STUDENTS Frankie Atkinson, Christian McKinney and Blaze Alford "helped" Karen Johns join in the fun of the soapy tarp during the band's welcome back party last Sunday evening at the Band Hall.



CHS BAND STUDENTS Ann Marie Morrison and Whitney Ortiz, along with other band students had fun playing water-balloon volleyball during last Sunday night's Welcome Back Party at the band hall.



BAND DIRECTOR DARIN Johns got in on the slippery, messy action during the band's welcome back party last Sunday night.

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Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes on August 21, 22 and 23 - the state's annual tax holiday. Layaway plans can be used again this year to take advantage of the sales tax holiday.

As in previous years, the law exempts most clothing and footwear priced under $100 from sales and use taxes, which could save shoppers about $8 on every $100 they spend. Backpacks under $100 and used by elementary and secondary students are also exempt. The exemption during the sales tax holiday includes backpacks with wheels, provided they can also be worn on the back like a traditional backpack, and messenger bags. The exemption does not include items that are reasonably defined as luggage, briefcases, athletic/duffle/gym bags, computer bags, purses or framed backpacks. Ten or fewer backpacks can be purchased tax-free at one time without providing an exemption certificate to the seller.

The 81st Texas Legislature recently passed HB 1801 (2009) expanding the list of items qualifying for exemption from Texas state and local sales and use taxes during the annual sales tax holiday in August. Effective this year, in addition to clothes, footwear and some backpacks, Texas families also get a sales tax break on most school supplies priced at less than $100 purchased for use by a student in an elementary or secondary school.

The following is an all-inclusive list of qualifying school supplies (if priced less than $100):

1. Binders
2. Book bags
3. Calculators
4. Cellophane tape
5. Blackboard chalk
6. Compasses
7. Composition books
8. Crayons
9. Erasers
10. Folders; expandable, pocket, plastic, and manila
11. Glue, paste and paste sticks
12. Highlighters
13. Index cards
14. Index card boxes
15. Legal pads
16. Lunch boxes
17. Markers
18. Notebooks
19. Paper; loose leaf ruled notebook paper, copy paper, graph paper, tracing paper, manila paper, colored paper, poster board, and construction paper
20. Pencil boxes and other school supply boxes
21. Pencil sharpeners
22. Pencils
23. Pens
24. Protractors
25. Rulers
26. Scissors
27. Writing tablets

No exemption certificate is required - with one exception. If the purchaser is buying the supplies under a business account, the retailer must obtain an exemption certificate from the purchaser certifying that the items are purchased for use by an elementary or secondary school student. "Under a business account" means the purchaser is using a business credit card or business check rather than a personal credit card or personal check; being billed under a business account maintained at the retailer; or is using a business membership at a retailer that is membership based.

Back-to-school issue set for August 6

The Record will publish the annual back-to-school edition of the paper on August 6, 2009.

As in years past, school supply lists, faculty lists and updates to each campuses' handbook will be included in the issue.

Some sports schedules and extra-curricular activities schedules will also be included. Parents should watch for any changes in school policies and requirements which will also published.

School faculty members may turn in items they wish to be published in the special edition by email, fax or by bringing them to the Record office at 257 E. 2nd St. by Monday, August 3rd at 5 p.m.



Registration for
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CHS Cheerleaders to hold mini-camp

Colorado High School Cheerleaders will hold a mini-cheerleading camp for children who are between 5 years of age and the 5th grade completed.

Registration for the camp will be held Monday, July 27 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the high school.

The actual camp will take place Tuesday through Thursday, July 28-30 from 8 to 10 a.m. There will be an awards program on Friday, July 31 at 8:30 a.m. Cost of the camp is $20 per camper.

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BID NOTICE

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Signed
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City Secretary

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The City Manager, under guidance of the Mayor and City Council, serves as Chief Executive and Administrative Officer of the City of Colorado City. The City Manager is responsible for supervision, planning, organizing, coordinating, directing, and evaluation of municipal activities, goals, and policies. The City Manager must effectively communicate with the City Council Members, City Department Heads, the public, citizen's groups, other governmental agencies, and local businesses requiring the exercise of diplomacy, courtesy, and tact. The position requires a visionary with good business practices, job knowledge and resourcefulness. A complete job description is available at City Hall.

Job Requirements: Bachelor's degree in a related field or comparable knowledge gained from previous experience is preferred. Must be bondable and hold a Texas Driver's License. Experience in grant writing will be a plus. Minimum five years work experience in management role of Chief Executive Officer or City Manager/Assistant City Manager or other equivalent experience. The position requires board-based knowledge of City, State, and Federal laws, policies, and practices pertaining to municipal court, planning and zoning, elections, personnel, finance and accounting, open records and open meetings. This position will remain open until filled. The City of Colorado City is an equal opportunity employer.

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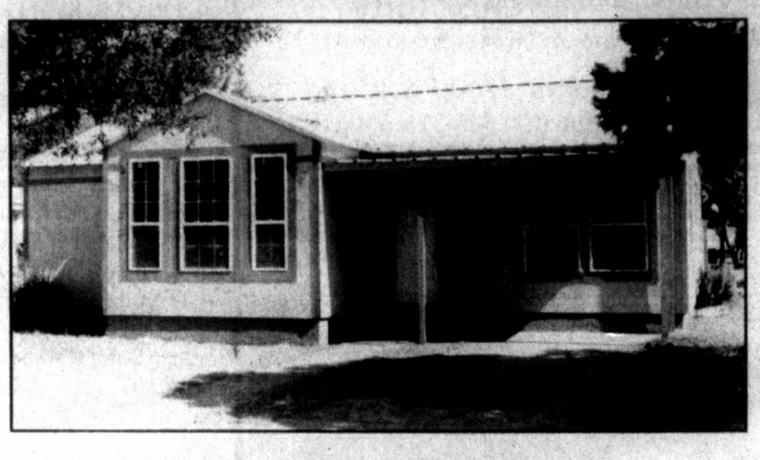
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LORAINE NEWS

By Bessie Ann Vaughn
Loraine Correspondent

Hello to our readers. We hope you had a good week, stayed well and cool.

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We are so happy here to have received another shower last week. Everyone seemed to have received a half inch of rain.

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It is good to report that Elnora Mitchell came back home Tuesday morning after spending several days with her daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Ray Macha in Lockney.

She broke a bone in her foot, and it has been very painful. She still has to keep it elevated. We wish her a fast recovery.

***

Gerrie and James Wooddell have enjoyed the visit of their found grandchildren since school break. They are Kassie, Jacob, Sarah and Christian Wooddell of Denton. They have been here a week and will return home soon.

Their dad is Ronnie Wooddell.

***

Joan Long said she enjoyed the Railhead Trade Days arts and crafts show in Colorado City on Saturday, July 18.

***

The Wallace Center is having a fundraiser Friday night, July 24 with proceeds going toward their nutritional program.

Taylor-Witta in Loraine and the Wallace Center is under the same Senior Center umbrella. Loraine is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and the Wallace Center is open Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The centers have been a blessing for a lot of people for years. We strive to keep them open.

***

My traveling sister-in-law and three friends went to New Mexico to the horse races, toured the area and they went on up to Cloudcroft where it was cooler, she said. They went to check out everything that was open for business.

She told me she broke even at the horse track and that means she lost money. She talked until it was pitiful; what they wore, what they ate, what somebody said and I don't even know her friends and I don't really want to.

I finally told her, with my fingers crossed, that someone was knocking at the back door and hung up the phone.

***

Betty Chandler wants to remind the City of Loraine that we all should be proud of our fire department, and we are.

She says she lives across the street from our fire station and knows almost every time they leave, going to either a fire or wreck, day and night, no matter what the weather might be.

Betty reports that to all those that serve in the capacity of volunteer firemen, she gives a personal thanks for all they do. Also, she wants all to know that she is proud of our new mayor and the new city council members, as she believes they are a great asset to our town.

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Loraine has a new animal control officer. He started work last Wednesday.

His name is Anvil Moshire and he stated that he wasn't out to take anyone's animal, but the leash laws on the books need to carried out.

Good luck, Mr. Moshire.

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The critter lady is aiding a turtle again. This time she was driving on a country road, and a turtle was trying to hurry to get across to the other side. Well, sure enough, the critter lady stopped and picked up Tom Turtle and got him to the edge of the road in a hurry.

She later wondered if the turtle dreamed he was flying or winning a race. The last time she stopped to help one, the turtle was crossing the interstate. She got a cardboard box from her car trunk and ran after the turtle in busy traffic.

A policeman saw her and stopped on the edge of the interstate. He jumped out and hollered, "Lady, lady. What are you going to do with that box?" and "You shouldn't be parked here."

She showed him the turtle and let the man know she wanted to save him. The policeman followed her to a country road, and getting into lifesaving mode, drove behind her to Billy Cornutt's pond and let him go from the box.

They think the turtle smiled.

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Mary McMullen and Anthony Muñoz provided a program on preventing pantry pests Friday at the Senior Center.

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Visitors at the center last week were: Kaylie Dewbre, granddaughter of Frances Hughes and Wanza and Bobby Graham; Hunter and Tanner, grandsons of Brenda Linam; Patricia Sewell and baby Kylee, daughter and granddaughter of Susan Sanchez.

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Aubrey Wilson from Snyder and friends, along with Charles Dunn from Colorado City performed for seniors on Monday, July 20.

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Dorothy Norwood and friends will play music for seniors on July 29. The birthday luncheon for July will also take place that day.

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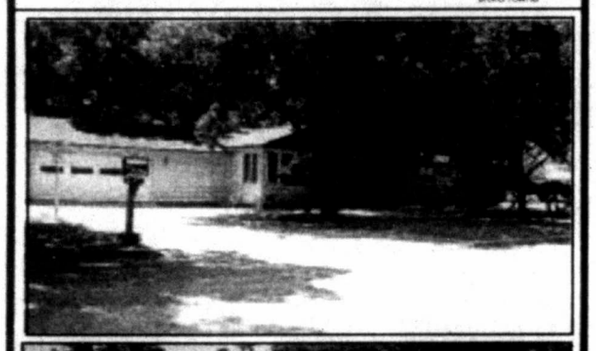


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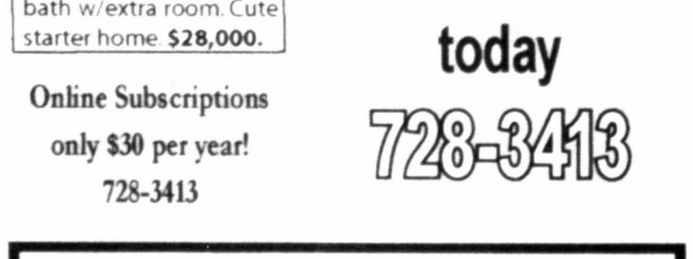
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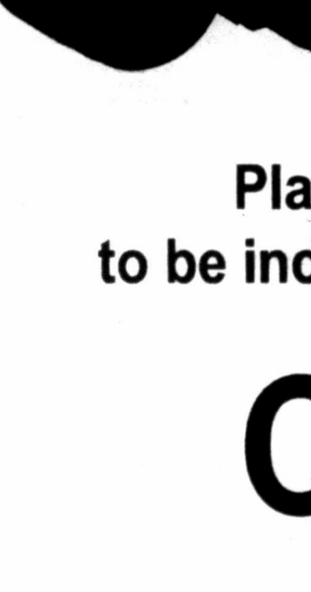


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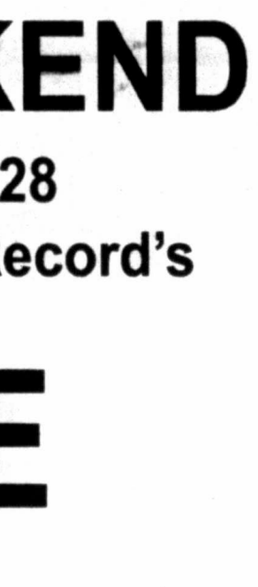
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