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Answerline

Q: What is CCSD going to do with the big hole South of 10th Street where all the dirt was hauled from?

A: CCSD Superintendent Reggy Spencer says the district has the opportunity to sell some dirt to a developer and after that the area will be cleaned, fenced and perhaps an aquatic class will be available for students. The aquatic class will be on the east side of the hole when it is filled with rain.

Briefs

Mitchell County Youth Baseball
There will be an open board meeting for the Mitchell County Youth Baseball. Any coaches or parents that are interested in being on the board need to attend. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. on March 4th at Biggs Pizza and Grill.

Lunch Fundraiser
The Wallace Senior Center is having a Sunday Lunch Fundraiser, March 2nd, starting at 11:30 and ending at 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$8 for 13 and older and for 12 and under the cost is \$5. Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, hot rolls, dessert, tea, coffee, or water will be served. Call in or to go orders welcome call 728-1069.

Revival
Oak Street Baptist Church will be having a Season of Revival revival on March 2nd - 5th.

Boy Scouts
The Boy Scouts will meet each Monday night at 7 p.m. at New Life Bible Ministry, 17th and Hickory. Kids ages 10 1/2 - 18 are eligible to participate. New members are welcome. For more information, call Stacy Knowlton at (325) 728-7325 or (325) 933-9045.

Immunization Clinic
The Texas Department of State Health Services Immunization Clinic will be held March 5th from 10-12 a.m. and 1:30-3 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Education Center (corner of 4th and Chestnut) in Colorado City. Please call (325) 754-4945 and schedule an appointment, if no answer please leave a message. Please bring child's immunization records to the clinic when you come, also, if on Medicaid please bring Medicaid card at time of service.

Balloon Place
St. James Baptist Church will be selling balloon places on Mon., March 3rd. Brisket, sausage, ribs, chicken and all the trimmings will be served. Delivery and pre-orders available by calling 728-9118.

Dance
The Mitchell County Senior Citizens Dance will be held on February 27th starting at 7 p.m. and ending at 10 p.m. The cost to get into the dance is \$5 per person. There will be live music featuring Mike Potter and Kevin Rainwater at the Colorado City Civic Center (157 W. 2nd St.).

Brisket Fundraiser
Members of the Colorado City Fire Department Auxiliary will have brisket sandwiches and burritos for sale Sat., March 1st at Fuller Foods from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Proceeds go to the scholarship program.

B-B-Q Dinner
The House of Hope will have their B-B-Q dinner Saturday, March 1st starting at 11 a.m. with free delivery at 200 West 17th Street. For call in orders call 728-5900 or 242-3146.

All Saints Episcopal Church
Sunday services will be held at 8:45 with Rev. Monte Jones and everyone is welcome! Also, Ash Wednesday services will be held at 5:30 All Saints with Rev. Monte Jones. Everyone welcome!

Church Services
King Solomon Baptist Church at 1st and Bolden Street in Colorado City will have church services every Wednesday at 6 p.m. with Reverend Holy Seneca Lambrose Lee. Sunday services will be held at 11 a.m.

Obituaries

Ona Mae Harris, Colorado City
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Around Town

Happy birthday "La Lora" Toni Wilson (March 1st)... Amie Wood going through an old newspaper... Happy birthday Raymond Molina (March 3rd)... Lexi Hopper all dressed up for a wedding...



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Delivery driver victim of attempted robbery

At approximately 8:30 p.m. on Monday evening, February 24th, Colorado City Police Officers were dispatched to Colorado Feed and Seed regarding an attempted armed robbery. According to CCPD Sgt. Traven Berrie, a delivery driver called 9-1-1 after being accosted by a male subject who tried to rob him.

The driver said that a man approached him while he was sitting in his truck. The man brandished a weapon and demanded that the driver give him money. The robber didn't have much luck, as the delivery driver proceeded to fight off the would-be criminal.

It is unknown, at this time, if the driver was making deliveries to Colorado

Feed and Seed or to another business in the area. The truck was parked in front of the local business, which is located on 1st Street, near Producer's Co-Op Gin.

Sgt. Berrie said that the driver reported injuring the suspect who fled on foot after the unsuccessful robbery attempt. The Texas Department of Criminal Justice K-9 unit was called in to search for the suspect, but as of 3 p.m. Tuesday, the suspect has not been located.

Anyone with any information about the case is urged to contact the Colorado City Police Department by calling 325-728-5294. Callers with information about the case may remain anonymous.

Bassham wing to be dedicated at hospital

Administrators and staff of Mitchell County Hospital District have planned a dedication ceremony to honor a woman who meant so much to and did so much for Colorado City's local hospital. On Tuesday, March 4th at 3 p.m., the Bassham Wing will be officially dedicated in honor of Mrs. Marion Bassham at Mitchell County Hospital.

In 1975, Bassham donated \$150,000 toward a new addition at Root Memorial Hospital, and the addition was dedicated as the Bassham Wing. At the time, she was working as a Registered Nurse at the

hospital and serving the institution in several ways.

Bassham was known to use her paychecks to purchase items the hospital needed. She was also the original organizer and founder of the Pink Ladies, a group now known as the Mitchell County Healthcare Volunteers.

Since she was such a great supporter and major donor to the hospital, the current board of directors wanted to acknowledge Bassham for the part she played in the hospital's past. With the new way-
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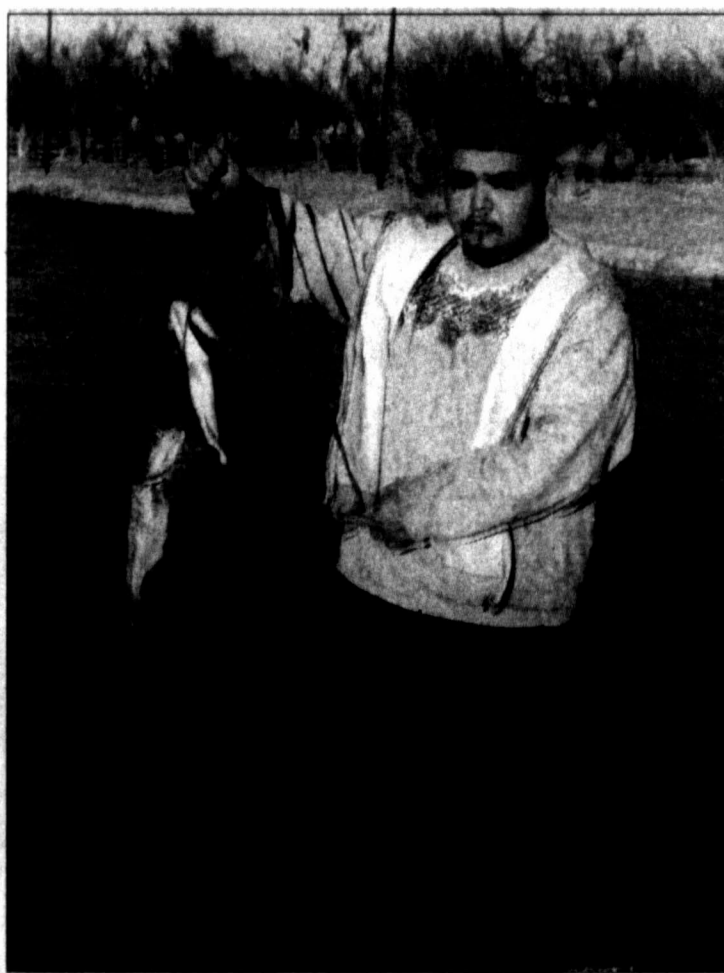
Early voting continues; election day is March 4

Early voting for the March 4th primary elections started Monday, February 18th and will continue through February 28th. All early voting is conducted at the Mitchell County Courthouse in the lobby. Voters have a few more days left if they want to vote early, as voting is taking place between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. each

day, including through the noon lunch hour.

On Election Day, March 4th, polls will open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m., and voters will be required to vote in their respective polling places.

Precinct 1 voters will vote at the
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ENJOYING THE DAY - The fish were biting last Thursday at Lone Wolf Creek in Ruddick Park. This nice stringer was caught by Israel Molano and some friends.



PANCAKE COOK EXTRAORDINAIRE - Kennadi Sauer (right) and her dad, Andrew cooked up hundreds of pancakes at the Kiwanis Pancake Supper Friday at the Colorado Middle School Cafeteria.

Local election filings open until Friday, Feb. 28

The deadline to file for a position on a local board is fast approaching, as potential candidates have until Friday, February 28th at 5 p.m. to file. Early voting begins April 28th, and Election Day is May 10th.

Norman "Willie" Harrell has filed to run for mayor of the City of Westbrook.

He will face incumbent Mayor Ramiro Fuentes. Incumbents Elida Fuentes and Lynn Gaston have also filed for re-election.

There were no new filings since last week for the Lone Wolf Groundwater Conservation District. Incumbents Da-
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Commissioners meet for routine county business

The Mitchell County Commissioners' Court convened Monday morning to take care of a few items of county business.

County Auditor Heidi Harris presented bills for approval in the amount of \$160,087.24. Roof repairs on the ag barn and courthouse amounted to over \$116,000 of the total. Funds to pay for the repairs were taken from insurance claims.

Commissioner Jeremy Strain voiced a request from Mitchell County Farm Bureau to waive the fees for the use of the Ag Barn on March 25th. The company plans to hold an Ag Day to teach students in the county about the importance of agriculture to the community.

All 4th graders in the county will have the opportunity to go out to the fairgrounds that day

for lessons on farm safety and agriculture processes, among other things. There will also be a cow milking demonstration, and students will be served hotdogs before returning to school.

Commissioner Jesse Muñoz moved to waive the fees for the use of the barn, and Commissioner Randy Anderson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
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TDCJ officer screening to be held

The Wallace/Ware complex was the scene of a correctional officer graduation last week, and as eight cadets were officially recognized as officers, Texas Department of Criminal Justice is looking for more. A screening will be held at the Webb Center in Colorado City on March 15th beginning at 7:30 a.m., in hopes of signing up more employees to

serve as correctional officers.

Recruiting Officer Claudette DuCasse said that TDCJ officials will be on hand the day of the screening to help potential employees fill out the necessary forms. A screening exam will be performed that same day. Practice tests can be found on the TDCJ website to give those planning to attend an idea of what

the test entails.

Plans are being made for another training class to be held in Colorado City April 17th through May 23rd. Officers completing the training receive a \$4,000 sign-on bonus, and pay begins the first day of class.

Some of the basic qualifications one must possess before applying to attend an idea of what
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LOCAL NEWS

Reminder: voters photo ID is required

Mitchell County Election Officer Debby Carlock and Voter Registrar Sylvia Clanton, remind voters that photo identification will now be required for voting in person.

"In Mitchell County we are working to make sure our voters understand the new ID requirements and have all the information they need to cast their ballots," said Carlock.

A voter will be required to show one of the following forms of photo identification at the polling location before the voter will be permitted to cast a vote:

- Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- Texas Election Identification Certificate (EIC) issued by DPS
- Texas personal identification card issued by DPS

- Texas concealed handgun license issued by DPS

- United States military identification card containing the person's photograph

- United States citizenship certificate containing the person's photograph

- United States passport

With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the identification must be current or have expired no more than 60 days before being presented at the polling place.

This photo ID requirement is for voters casting a ballot in person, not by mail. Voters age 65 and older may vote by mail.

Election officials are encouraging voters to update their voter registrations to reflect the names on their IDs. Voters may use IDs that do not exactly

match the name on their IDs if the names are substantially similar but will have to sign an affidavit stating they are the same person. Voters may look up their registration at VoteTexas.gov and if their name is not an exact match they can update their voter registration online at VoteTexas.gov.

"By preparing now, voters can help make sure voting goes smoothly when it comes time for the election," said Carlock.

To check and update their registrations, voters can visit (direct to VoteTexas.gov) or call (325) 728-2606 for more information.

For more information about photo ID requirements including exemptions, visit www.vote-texas.gov.

Information on how to obtain an election identification certificate (EIC) if you do not have another form can be found at www.dps.texas.gov.

POLICE REPORT

On February 16th at 10:05 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 700 block of Cypress Street in reference to criminal mischief. A male subject known to the complainant had caused damage to the windshield of the vehicle by throwing a beer bottle.

On February 16th at 11:05 a.m., an officer was conducting an investigation into a juvenile throwing rocks in the 1300 block of Westpoint. The officer observed a male subject as someone having an outstanding Municipal Court warrant. Contact was made with this subject, the warrant was confirmed. The 29-year-old male was arrested and taken to the Mitchell County Jail.

On February 16th at 4:47 p.m., an officer initiated a traffic stop for failure to signal a turn. After a driver's license check of the occupants, the passenger was found to have a warrant from Hockley County. The warrant was confirmed, and the 42-year-old female was arrested and taken to the Mitchell County Jail.

On February 16th at 5:52 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 400 block of Hickory at a local business in reference to an intoxicated female sitting at the south entrance. Upon officer arrival, the female had entered the store. When the officer arrived, he located the female and noticed that she had red watery eyes, slurred speech and a strong odor of alcohol. The officer attempted to administer a portable breath test

which proved futile due to her level of intoxication. The 51-year-old female was arrested and taken to the Mitchell County Jail.

On February 16th at 6:52 p.m., an officer responded to the 600 block of Cedar in reference to a burglary that had already occurred. An unknown person or persons entered the residence and took items without the owner's consent.

On February 17th at 8:45 a.m., an officer was advised by police dispatch that the lock of the blue mailbox on the west side of the post office had been vandalized and possibly burglarized. They found the lock was cut and lying on the ground. A post office employee was contacted and she stated that the box inside the mailbox was missing. Also, she told the officer of a rash of other mailboxes and post office boxes in other counties that had been burglarized. There are no suspects at this time.

On February 17th at 1:32 p.m., an officer responded to the 300 block of East 12th Street in reference to a burglary that had already occurred. An unknown person or persons had pried open the back door and taken an item from inside without the owner's consent.

On February 18th at 8:11 a.m., an officer on patrol observed a vehicle traveling west on 17th Street and recognized the driver as a male who he believed to have city warrants. After checking with the police dispatch to confirm this, he was found to have three active city warrants. The officer followed the vehicle until it came to a stop at a residence. The 37-year-old male subject was arrested and taken to the Mitchell County Jail where he was booked accordingly.

On February 20th at 3:30 p.m., an officer responded to the 900 block of Hickory in reference to a burglary. An unknown person or persons had entered the home without the owner's consent.

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OBITUARIES

Ona Mae Harris

1929-2014

COLORADO CITY-- Mrs. Ona Mae Harris, age 84, died Wednesday morning, February 19, 2014, in a Stamford care center. Services were at 4 p.m. Sunday in the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Jesse Hodge officiating. Burial followed in the Westbrook Cemetery under the care and direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Harris was born December 4, 1929 in Colorado City to Earnest and Maggie Mae Bailey Brown and had been a lifelong resident of Mitchell County. She married Jim Harris on December 31, 1949 in Midland. She was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Colorado City.

Survivors include her husband of 64 years, Jim Harris of Colorado City; four daughters, Sarah Butts of Grand Prairie, Rhonda and husband, Mike Powell of Stamford, Denise and husband, T. C. Love of Fredericksburg and Jamie and husband, Jeff Jacobs of San Antonio; a son, Jimmy and wife, Ellen Harris of Spring; one brother, John and wife Margaret Brown of Colorado City; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; a grandson, James Bryan Powell; a son-in-law, Ben Butts; three sisters, Ernestine Moore, Doris Turner and Jerline Felt; and four brothers, Glenn Brown, Bill Brown, Roy Lee Brown and Vaughn Brown.

The family received friends 5-7 p.m. Saturday February 22, 2014, at the funeral home.



Joe Lynn Baker

1947-2014

COLORADO CITY-- Joe Lynn Baker, 67, formerly of Iraan, passed away on Monday, February 17, 2014, at his home.

The family received friends at the Church of Christ in Iraan on Thursday, February 20, 2014, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 21, 2014, at the Church of Christ in Iraan. Burial followed in the Restland Cemetery with arrangements under the care and direction of Shaffer-Nichols Funeral Home.

Joe was born on February 1, 1947, in Lawton, Oklahoma. He was a Veteran, having served in the United States Army. Joe had lived in Colorado City for the past 12 years. He was a truck driver for Swift Transportation, and had an outstanding driving safety record. Joe was a model train and plane enthusiast. He was very active in the Republican Party, and a member of the American Legion. Joe was an avid Dallas Cowboys fan, win or lose.

Joe was preceded in death by his father, Frank Baker; and his step-father, Rufus Holland.

He is survived by his two sons, Jarrod Baker of Arlington, and Jordan Baker and his wife Lesley of Katy; his mother, Lillie Holland of Iraan; a brother, Jim Baker and his wife Judy of Granite Shoals; a sister, Joy Gilley and her husband Melvin of Iraan; three nieces, Amanda Noe, Brandi Gilley, and Kim Baker-Boatman; and one nephew, J.J. Baker.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to a charity of your choice.

A guestbook is available to share your condolences with the family at www.shaffer-nichols.com.



Tavia Marricle

1924-2014

SNYDER-- Tavia Marricle, age 89, passed away on Saturday, February 22, 2014 in Snyder.

Family visitation was held on Monday, February 24, 2014 at Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Graveside services were held on Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 2 p.m. at Hillside Memorial Gardens with Reverend Cliff Phillips officiating. Burial was under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Marricle was born on Sunday, April 6, 1924 in Seagraves. She married Tommy Marricle on September 1, 1946 in Colorado City. She worked for Stinson Drug in Snyder for more than 20 years. She was well known for making specialty cakes for weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, etc. She also loved to work crossword puzzles.

Survivors include one daughter, Karen Holman of Snyder; two sons, Bennie Wayne Marricle and David Keith Marricle, both of Snyder; four sisters, Ethel Head of Snyder, Johnnie Gayne of Sweetwater, Ina Mae Arel of Waco, and Minnie Belle Anderson of Delta, Colorado; nine granddaughters, Nikki Smith of Olton, Halie Bivins of Colorado City, Sha Hoelscher of Champion, Amanda Marricle of Seattle, Washington, Savannah Marricle, Kaycee Schaefer, Cassidy Block, Jesse Turnbo, and Amber Lopez, all of Snyder; one grandson, Barry Holman of Colorado City; 19 great-grandchildren also survive.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Homer and Priscilla Berry Haygood; her husband, Tommy Marricle on March 19, 2012; and by one granddaughter, April Holman.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family by visiting: www.wcfhonline.com



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LOCAL NEWS

Relay for Life art contest deadline is March 1st

What does cancer mean to you? Better yet, what does Relay for Life mean to you? Lulu Boyd and the folks participating in the Relay for Life want to know, and they have an event planned to showcase the American Cancer Society cause and help fund this year's relay.

Organizers are planning to hold a Relay for Life Art Contest. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate.

Entries can be a drawing or painting, and a short essay about what cancer and/or the Relay for

Life means to you must accompany the artwork. There is no entry fee and the winner will have their artwork displayed at the relay and the essay will be read during the night.

The winner of the contest will have the honor of having their art printed on the front of t-shirts that will be sold at the relay. The top 10 entries will be auctioned off the night of the fundraising event.

Deadline to enter will be March 1st. Anyone needing artwork picked up should contact Boyd by calling 325-728-0751.



GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY — Mike Ratliff (far left) of Ratliff Insurance Agency in Colorado City is seen with recipients of \$250 checks from the annual Hochheim Prairie Insurance. Each year, the insurance company receives \$5 for each member and these funds are then redistributed in the city to various nonprofit organizations. Pictured with Ratliff are: (back row, l-r) Wenona Taylor, Girl Scouts; Sarah Ballard, Hope Daycare; Rhonda Roark, Relay for Life; Elizabeth Thompson, Girl Scouts; Monte Wike, Samaritan House; Crystal Nelson, Wallace Senior Center; Janet Mayo, Mitchell County Hospital Auxiliary; (front) Leslie Scott, Hochheim Prairie Vice President; Anna and Mary Beth Taylor, Girl Scouts; and Dot Smith, Community Mission.

Kelley Elementary Family Resource Night is February 27th

There are lots of resources out there to help families with young children, and many people may not even know what is available. The staff at Kelley Elementary have planned a Family Resource Fair to raise awareness about the services and programs available.

The elementary school, along with Head Start, are hosting the fair on Thursday, February 27th from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Kelley Cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend the come-and-go event.

Several organizations will have representatives at the fair to talk with those attending and

share what services are offered. Some of those represented will be: High Sky Children's Ranch, WIC, Outreach Health Services, Assist Our Community, Inc., Hope Daycare, Little Lives - Texas Early Childhood Intervention, Western Texas College, Texas State Technical College, Gateway Family Services, Inc., Mitchell County Public Library, Texas Health Steps - Medicaid program, and Steps 2 Strides Therapy Center.

Door prizes will be awarded during the event, and refreshments will be served.

Be Safe. Drive Smart. while sharing roads with work trucks and crews

As energy exploration and production continue to boost the state's economy, the Texas Department of Transportation reminds drivers in those regions to "Be Safe. Drive Smart." when sharing the road with increased traffic, work crews and heavy, commercial trucks.

"Safety is our top priority at TxDOT and we strongly encourage drivers to exercise additional caution when traveling through energy zones and other areas where they share the road with heavy trucks and equipment," said John Barton, TxDOT deputy executive director. "Being safe and driving smart could be the difference between crashing and reaching your destination."

In 2013, there were 776 traffic crashes in the Cline Shale region that resulted in serious injuries or fatalities. The 55 fatalities resulting from those crashes in the 11-county region in West Texas represent an increase of 17 percent over the previous year. According to law enforcement, the leading causes of crashes in the region were failure to control speed and driver inattention. The most dangerous times of day were around 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

To help encourage safe driving habits, TxDOT is partnering with the oil and gas industry, Texas Department of Public Safety and communities across the Cline Shale. The *Be Safe. Drive Smart.* campaign includes billboards, newspaper ads, and TV and radio spots featuring residents from energy-producing communities.

TxDOT's *Be Safe. Drive Smart.* campaign offers the following common sense advice for drivers to help reduce their risk of becoming a crash statistic:

- Always buckle up.
- Pay attention, which means no talking or texting on cell phones or engaging in any other distracting behaviors.
- Give trucks space.
- Drive a safe speed that takes traffic, road conditions and weather into account.
- Stop for all stop signs and red lights.
- Pass carefully.

Republican precinct and county Convention to be held Mar. 22

The 2014 Mitchell County Republican Precinct conventions will be held on March 22nd, immediately prior to the 2014 Mitchell County Republican County Convention. The precinct conventions will start at 8:30 a.m., with the county convention to start promptly at 9 a.m.

All conventions will be held at the office of Browne Bros., Inc., located at 900 West I-20 Business in Colorado City. Check-in

for the conventions will be held at 8 a.m.

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Chairperson John W. Beckmeyer said that all interested persons are encouraged to attend.

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OPINION & COMMENTARY

TUMBLEWEED SMITH Taking time to look around

Usually when we travel by car we are so concerned with reaching our destination we pass right through some interesting places. Such is the case with Calvert. I was there in 1986 as part of my sesquicentennial salute to Texas by doing a report from every county in Texas that year. At the time, Calvert was all about antiques. The downtown was full of antique stores.

I was in Calvert recently for a meeting and discovered a unique city that has dozens of luxurious homes that are on the national register. They were built by entrepreneurs from the midwest and northeast who came down to Texas in the late 1800's when the railroads were establishing towns. The chamber provides a brochure containing the history of the homes and directions to them.

The meeting headquarters at Ingraham's Castle, a Bed and Breakfast that was once the city jail. The architect at the time thought any kind of government building ought to look like something out of England, so the jail resembled a castle.

Calvert has a German POW camp, a farm where lions and tigers are raised (some of them have been in movies and on stage in Las Vegas) and a world famous chocolatier named Ken Wilkinson who sells his delicious candies all over the world. His place is called Cocoamoda.

Besides all the fascinating places to visit in town, the people are the best tourist attraction. Just about everybody we met was a character who knows about the town and loves it.

Perhaps the best story I found in Calvert was about Mojo, a term to describe an unexplainable event. Dennis Joyce, the owner of Ingraham Castle, told me about Mojo. In this case, it's about a boy who turned to stone. "A long time ago, the body of a boy around 14 years of age was brought to a black mortuary in Calvert," says Dennis. "He was either killed or died of natural causes. No one seems to know. The people at the funeral home proceeded to embalm him and something went quite wrong in the process and they don't know what happened, but the boy ended up being mummified. Experts since then have tried unsuccessfully to duplicate the process, which apparently was about as good as the Egyptians knew how to do. The boy had no identification and nobody knew who he was, so he became known as Mojo and stayed in residence at the mortuary for many decades. Sometimes he was in a closet. They had a casket made for him with a clear glass panel in it, but most of the time he was not in that. He was standing up outside the closet."

Gambling took place at the mortuary after hours and gamblers rubbed Mojo's nose for good luck. He was dressed in a custom-made pale blue tuxedo. A group of citizens recently decided to bury him. The fire department went to the streets and collected money to give him a proper burial. They put his body in the casket, loaded him on a fire truck and took him to Sunnyside Cemetery for a memorial service.

A glimpse at 1905 through the pages of the Record

By Stephanie Perez
Editor

The Colorado City Record began life as a weekly newspaper called *The Weekly Record* back in October of 1905. I had the chance to look through some of the first editions of the paper on microfilm last week, and a glimpse into the past made me realize that I am probably far too soft to have been born in that era.

In the October 6, 1905 edition of the *Record*, there was a whole page of tiny type devoted to the fashion of the time. There were eloquent descriptions of the full-length dresses women wore, and I cannot imagine wearing so many layers of heavy material during our hot summer days. Also, corsets were advertised by Charles M. Adams for \$1 each, complete with drawings of the ladylike torture devices.

A buggy tied at the Methodist Church was destroyed when the horse of Mrs. J.B. Annis got loose and drug the unattended buggy through town. I'm sure Mr. Annis wasn't thrilled, as a "Young Men's Buggy" cost \$40. The buggies, along with other transportation vehicles, were sold by A.S. Henry & Sons.

Several quotes were recorded in *The Weekly Record*, and one made me so glad to have been born in the 20th century. It said, "Lynchings are becoming so common that after awhile a gentleman will be afraid to whip his wife."

There was a fair amount of humor in some of those quotes, as another read, "Some bachelors fall in love and some are dragged into it by widows."

Oh the agony of the poor cotton pickers of the day! But Colorado Saddlery Co. had a solution to the cuts and bruises picking cotton left on the knees: Cotton pickers' knee pads.

All kinds of oils and tonics were advertised to cure everything from kidney disease to digestive issues. One could as-

sume that many people died from common illnesses due to the lack of quality medication.

Though the work was hard, there was a bit of fun to be had. A special train was due to depart from the depot in Colorado (City) on Monday, October 10th at 8:21 a.m., taking passengers to Abilene to watch the Barnum & Bailey Circus. A round-trip ticket cost \$2.75 and the train would leave Abilene to bring passengers home at 5:20 p.m.

C.H. Earnest placed several classified ads in the first edition of the *Record*. One read, "A bargain in strictly grazing land, Mitchell County, 320 acres. Price \$2 per acre."

Though it was a newly-organized community, Colorado seemed to be flourishing and advertisements for businesses of all kinds can be found on those pages. City National Bank boasted \$60,000 in capital, and listed bank officers, J.D. Wulfjen, President; F.E. McKenzie, Vice President; and J.E. Hooper, Cashier.

A story also said that Mr. McKenzie had recently sold his home to W.H. Hale of Erath County. Two sections of land were part of the real estate deal, and the land was sold for \$12.50 an acre.

The St. James Hotel rented rooms for \$2 per day, and The Alamo Hotel's ad said the establishment served the best of meals in clean, cool and comfortable rooms. I beg to differ... how cool and comfortable could a room be without air conditioning?!

Mrs. J.R. Graves was the proprietor of The Alamo Hotel and rooms rented for \$1 to \$1.50 per night.

The stories and ads in that first edition of our hometown paper made me realize just how important it is to record history. And it's also important to remember just how easy life is these days and be thankful.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor,

The Bill of Rights, Articles IV, V and XIV prohibit government search and seizure of personal property (and one's person) without warrant and probable cause. Personal property is your land, home, papers and all "effects" (with equal protection).

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rannical egos are attracted to abuse with impunity.

In a democracy, the minority and the individual citizen may be abused and enslaved by administrators elected. The constitution protects these citizens and the democracy itself.

The liberty destroyed may not adversely affect you, but soon your turn shall come.

"For whom does the bell toll? The bell tolls for thee."

We still have a vote; it too, will soon be overruled. Without the constitution, America, our world, comes tumbling down around our collective necks. The constitution must eclipse all other lures of political choice. Else we are doomed to serfdom.

Troy Powell

PUBLIC RECORDS

FILED WITH COUNTY CLERK

Adela C. Morris to Lucas A. Campos, Gift WD.

Rebecca J. Milligan Trust DTD 12-30-1994, Rebecca J. Milligan Trust to Lee E. Milligan Jr Trust, Rebecca J. Milligan Trust, Milligan Living Trust DTD 12-30-1994, Warranty Deed.

Juan Manuel Gonzales to Attorney General Child Support Office, Linzee Williams Authorized Agent, Heatherina Castelan, Notice/Fine/Re.

Mortgage Funding Corporation, Susie Taylor Sr. Vice Pres, Swartz & Brough Inc to Tony Castillo, Ambrosia Castillo, Release of Lien.

Citizen's Bank of Philadelphia, Todd Mixon Regional President, Tony Castillo, Ambrosia Castillo to Mortgage Funding Corporation, Agreement of Lien.

Ronald Gene Hale to Devon Energy Production Company LP, Receipt/Bonus.

Bari Sadler to Devon Energy Production Company LP, Receipt/Bonus.

Heather Xan Sadler to Devon Energy Production Company LP, Receipt/Bonus.

Donald James Halvers to Prosperity Bank Succ In Int To, American State Bank, Silberio Medina President, Corr/Ext R/E Note & Lien.

John W. Caldwell Jr to Cynthia O'Bryant Caldwell, Stip of Intere.

Sara Alexander Gieb to Sharp Minerals LP, Warranty Deed.

Western Bank, Chris Sharp Vice President, Raymond Limones, Victoria Limones A/K/A, Victoria Silva to Ryan J. Bigbee Sub Ttee, Terry Browder Sub Ttee, Marsha Monroe Sub Ttee, Appoint Sub TT.

Raymond Limones, Victoria Limones A/K/A, Victoria Silva, Western Bank F/K/A, First Bank of West Texas Loraine Branch, Terry Browder Sub Ttee to SDD Financial LLC, Sub Trustee De.

Raymond Limones, Victoria Limones A/K/A, Victoria Silva, Terry Browder Affiant to Public, Affidavit/Filing &.

Ryan J. Bigbee Atty for Holder & Affiant, Western Bank F/K/A, First Bank of West TX Loraine Branch, Raymond Limones, Victoria Silva A/K/A, Victoria Limones to public, Affidavit.

Denis L. Smith D/B/A to B & D RV Repair Service, Assumed Name.

C. N. Marsh, Anna Marsh to Ernie Wood, Brenda Wood, P/Rel of Lien.

Sally Pace Individ Exec, Horace Pace Estate to Angel Ramirez, April Ramirez, Warranty Deed.

Angel Ramirez, April Ramirez to Mortgage Research Center LLC, Veterans United Home Loans DBA, Gregg & Vally PC Ttee, Deed of Trust.

Greg Crawford to Texas Real Estate Office & Or, Crawford & Co, Assumed Name.

Roger Dale Kelly Jr to Christian Ladawn Cantu, Gift Deed.

Mapaches Petros LLC, Jim Britton Managing Partner to Earl E. Baldrige III, Black-Columbia Partners LLC, Connark Company, Darren Prinz, Starck Family LTD Et Al, Mineral Deed.

Rumaldo Martinez Sr. to Amy Castillo, Attorney General Child Support Unit, Child Sup Lien.

Jay Pfeuffer to Shannon Smithie, Warranty Deed.

Terri Couch to Bobby L. Couch Atty In Fact, Power of Attor.

Bobby Powell, Dawn Powell to Medallion Pipeline Company LLC, Ralph Lewis Vice Pres, Memo/Agreement.

Carl Bacon to Medallion Pipeline Company LLC, Ralph Lewis Vice Pres, Memo/Agreement.

Rita Sue Richards to Medallion Pipeline Co LLC, Ralph Lewis Vice Pres, Memo/Rt Way Agmt.

Joy Ward Dockrey to Medallion Pipeline Co LLC, Ralph Lewis Vice Pres, Memo/RT Way Agmt.

Dorris Lynn Sands, Medallion Pipeline Co LLC to Ralph Lewis Vice Pres, Memo/RT Way Agmt.

Sareta J. Fenton to Flynt Ebb, Warranty Deed.

Flynt Ebb to First Bank & Trust East Texas, Joe C. Denman III Ttee, Deed of Trust.

HB Equity LLC, Mark Brough CEO, David Matthew Jones Mortgage/ Trustor to Homestead Opportunity Fund LP, Agmt of Lien.

Shelly Lynn Perkins Newton to Devon Energy Production Company LP, Lease/Rat.

Paul Joe & Dorinda Wood Missouri Trust, Joe Paul Wood Co-Tee, Dorinda Wood Co-Tee to Billy Joe Wood, Bernice Wood, Warranty Deed.

Paul Joe Wood Co-Tee, Dorinda Wood Co-Tee, Paul Joe & Dorinda Wood Missouri Trust to Billy Don Wood, Leada Wood, Warranty Deed.

Doris G. McMillan Ttee, Robert E. & Doris G. McMillan Revocable Living Trust, Weldon E. McMillan, La Juana Joy Solomon, Peggy Smith Atty In Fact, Gwendolyn Ray Jones, Donald Raymond Jones, Dennis Allen Jones, Jean Ann Jones to Suede Oil & Gas LLC, Pdupo & Glease.

Tip Inc, William G. McGehee Pres, Janice Marie Harris, Katie Lynne Sharp, Arthur Robert Bailey Jr to Suede Oil & Gas LLC, Agt Orr Roy In.

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Child Investments LLC, George W. Childs Managing Member, Joe Rivera, Yolanda Rivera to Alex Childs, George William Childs III DBA, Jubal Oil & Gas Properties LLC, Suede Oil & Gas LLC, Childs Investments, Agt Orr Roy In.

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George W. Childs Managing Member, Childs Investments LLC, Nena Mitchell to Suede Oil & Gas LLC, Alex Childs, George William Childs III D/B/A, Childs Investments, Jubal Oil & Gas Properties LLC, ASG Orr Roy In.

Rick Alvarez, Rebecca Alvarez to Suede Oil

& Gas LLC, Memo/ O&G Lease.

Dale Williston Minerals 2012-B LP, Dale Minerals Management 2012 LLC Gen Prr, Cody Miller Vice President, Dale/Peregrine Minerals Fund LP, Dale Minerals Mgmt 2012 LLC Gen Prr, Dale Williston Minerals 2012-B LP, Dale/P Minerals Limited Partnership to Purvis Operating Company, J H Purvis President, Reata Energy Inc, J R Purvis President, Amend/Rat O&G Lease.

Dana Laurel Stewart to Daley Laurel Seeker Atty-In-Fact, William Kutter Stewart-Armstead Atty-In-Fact, Power of Attorney.

Lincoln Land & Title LLC, Terry Jennings Managing Member to Devon Energy Prod Co LP, Agt O&G Lease.

Richard Lee Maxwell Jr to Andra Gail Maxwell, Warranty Deed.

Veronica Harris D/B/A to Omar Spring, Assumed Name.

City National Bank, Royce D. Clay President to James Robert Hale, Amanda L. Hale, Release of Lien.

City of Colorado City, Jim Baum Mayor to Public, Lien.

Fred Lentz, Tommie Lentz to Chico Rental Properties LLC, Warranty Deed.

Tom Whitesides, Georgann Whitesides to Cedar C-City RV Park LLC, Warranty Deed.

City National Bank of Colorado City, Royce D. Clay to Donnie W. Hale, Judy Hale, Release of Lien.

Elizabeth E. Horwood Estate Trust AKA, Harold L. Hildebrand Trust to S K Horwood Ttee, Lonnie C. Horwood Successor Ttee, Judgment.

James Michael Winsor AKA, James Michael Windsor to Devon Energy Prod Co LP, Receipt/Bonus.

Ricky Upham to Sandy Daugherty, Warranty Deed.

ARRESTS

James Skelton, 39, Housed for Sterling County, Poss CS PG 1-1g, 02/18/14.

Marcus Lyle Wright, 41, Housed for Sterling County, Poss CS PG 1-1g, 02/18/14.

Ernest Garcia, 55, MCSO, Assault family violence Class A, 02/18/14.

Michael Hernandez, 41, MCSO, DWI 1st, 02/20/14.

Adekunle Oluosola Amoo, 29, MCSO/ Sterling, Resist Arrest, Speeding, 02/20/14.

Bradley Wayne Kraft, 48, Texas Wildlife, Hunt Without Landowners Consent, 02/20/14.

Joseph John Burke, 56, Texas Wildlife, Hunt Without Landowners Consent, 02/20/14.

Alvino Pedrosa, 48, DPS, DWI 3rd or More, 02/21/14.

Quinton David Morris, 44, MCSO, Indecency with Child, 02/21/14.

Eddie Gutierrez, 35, NCSO, MTR-DWI, 01/02/14.

Eileen Carrillo, 30, Sterling County, DWI 2nd, 02/22/14.

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LOCAL NEWS

Drug prevention program visits CHS

Arvin West, Sheriff of Hudspeth County, and Randy Fleming, who works with various law enforcement agencies, came to Colorado High School last week to present the program Operation Detour to the students. Operation Detour is a non-profit gang/drug prevention program developed in cooperation with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to create awareness of the dangers and consequences of drug trafficking and abuse. Arvin West is the brother of CHS Principal Dalton West.

The program presented a real and true sense of the horrors and tragedies that befall teenagers and their families who become involved with the drug trafficking underworld. Because children today are bombarded with violence on TV, in movies and in video games, Operation Detour includes a very graphic slideshow and video that presented CHS students with some of the consequences of being involved in the use and trafficking of narcotics.

The program was developed in 2008 when members of law enforcement became aware that the Mexican cartels were using students to sell and traffic drugs. The video gave students a sense of what lays ahead if they use drugs and inadvertently get involved with a cartel.

There were real images of burned bodies,

testimony from family members and lots of news reports featuring the violence dealt by the hands of the cartels.

Fleming said that the cartels have an endless supply of money and often buy high-tech equipment to help evade law enforcement. "Everything the cartels do has a purpose," Fleming told students, "the killings, the bodies. Hundreds of thousands of people have been tortured, kidnapped, murdered."

He also made a true statement that may have been an eye-opener for some of the students. "No drug dealer ever gives you drugs and says, 'Here you go. You're going to prison and an insane asylum for this.'" Fleming is a former drug addict and he told students that he has been to five rehabs, two insane asylums and countless jails for drugs.

The CHS students heard that cartels are recruiting young kids, as young as 9 years old, to sell narcotics. And while it's easy to think these things happen in big cities far from Mitchell County, one of the kids on the video was from Odessa.

Cartels often use the opportunity to make money to appeal to teens who are strapped for cash. After completing one transaction for the cartels, teens are in and can't get out. They are seen as expendable labor. Fleming said that Mexican drug cartels are beginning

to make in-rows into the U.S., and they are using gangs to perpetrate violence as far away as Chicago, Illinois.

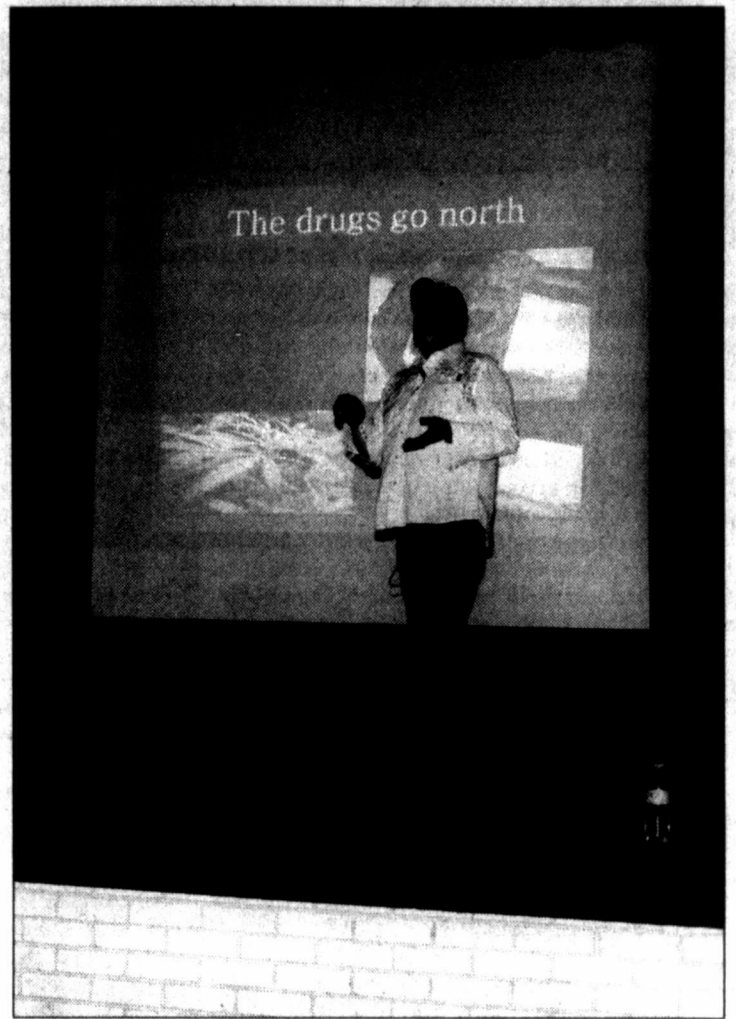
Students got to see first-hand how the cartels use every possible method to transport contraband, such as inside animals and people. Children lured into the drug trade are being recruited for the cartels' dirty work. The video showed the photo of a 16-year-old who had admitted to killing 30 people at the insistence of the cartel. Violent acts often endanger whole families, because the cartels use threats of murdering family members against those wishing to get out of the "business".

Finally, West and Fleming urged students to remember that there are consequences for every choice. Students who choose to use will eventually suffer consequences ranging from going to jail to endangering their families.

"And your record follows you for the rest of your life," Fleming said.

With the trend of legalizing marijuana growing more popular, the officers urged students to take into consideration as to what is behind a small bag of the drug: six Mexicans murdered, an eight-year-old raped, two boys burned to death, one man with his hands cut off, and one high school kid murdered.

"One bad decision affects your future," West said.



HARSH REALITY – Randy Fleming (pictured) and Arvin West, Sheriff of Hudspeth County, were at Colorado High School last week to warn students of the dangers of getting involved with drug use and Mexican drug cartels.

CCVFD auxiliary to hold brisket fundraiser Mar. 1

The Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department awards a scholarship to a Mitchell County senior each year in May, and fire department auxiliary members have plans to grow the scholarship program this year. In order for scholarship presentations to increase, funds must be raised

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 - Anyone planning to attend the screening event in March should go online at www.tdcj.state.tx.us to register. Click on Employment and select Request CO Screening, then choose a screening location and date. Applications should be downloaded, filled out and taken to the screening. A copy of the applicant's Social Security card, driver's license or state identification should be taken to the screening as well.

Once an applicant has taken and passed the security test, he or she will be interviewed that same day, March 15th. Anyone without access to the internet can contact DuCasse by calling 325-728-2162, and she will be glad to provide one.

and auxiliary members have their first one planned.

On Saturday, March 1st, members of the fire department will be set up at Fuller Foods from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. selling brisket sandwich plates and brisket burrito plates. The plates will include chips and a drink, along with the sandwich or burrito, for \$5 each.

The fire department guys will be putting in the hard work, cooking the briskets, so everyone bring their healthy appetite and buy a plate to support the scholarship program.

BASSHAM

FROM PAGE 1

finding signs up, the board felt like the timing was right to dedicate an area of the hospital to Bassham's memory.

The Med-Surg Department of the hospital will be named the Bassham Wing on Tuesday, a fitting dedication in remembrance of the woman who did so much for the local healthcare facility.

"It was important to the board and the hospital district to dedicate this wing in memory of her and in recognition of her many contributions," MCHD Administrator Robbie Dewberry said.

Everyone is welcome to attend the dedication ceremony, which will be held in the east tower of the hospital at 3 p.m. on March 4th.

COURT

FROM PAGE 1

Tax sale bids for properties on Paris and Houston streets in Colorado City were also approved by the court. Johnny Lopez bid a combined total of \$630 for three separate properties in the southeastern part of town.

Strain moved to accept the bids to get the properties back on the tax roles, and Muñoz seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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LOCAL NEWS

Q&A with local candidates...

There are two local contested races on the ballots for the March 4th primary election. Candidates running for District Clerk and Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace were given questionnaires last week, offering them a chance to express themselves to voters. Questions and answers follow.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PCT. 1 & 4

Candidate's Name: Ricky E. Grissam
How long have you lived in Mitchell County: 9 years approximately

Occupation: Justice of the Peace Pcts. 1&4
Education: Dallas High School, Abilene Police Academy, Texas Justice Court Training.

Family: Wife, Lillian Grissam; son, Jimmy Grissam; daughter, Stephanie Grissam; granddaughter, Fallon Grissam

Community involvement: Loraine Fire Department for approximately 9 years. I have been a member of Lions Club in the recent past and although I am not an active member at this time, I am a strong supporter of all community involvement.

Reason for seeking election or re-election: I have enjoyed serving the citizens of Mitchell County for the time I have held the office of Justice of the Peace Pcts. 1&4. I would like to continue to offer my time and experience to help the community.

What you hope to accomplish if you are elected: To provide the community as a whole with experienced guidance and knowledge for better understanding of local laws and how they are applied to our daily lives.

What previous experiences will help you with the position you are seeking: Four years as Justice of the Peace, and approximately 13 years in law enforcement.

Candidate's Name: Normalinda Perez

How long have you lived in Mitchell County: 9+ years

Occupation: Chief Court Clerk

Education: 12, some college

Family: My husband of 19 years. We have 7 children and 15 awesome grandchildren.

Political experience: 12 years of working with judicial system. I have worked almost 2 years with Judge Williams and 9 years as Municipal Judge and was court clerk for 1 year.

Community involvement: I am an active member of First Assembly of God for over 9 years. I am an active member of Lions Club. I have served on City Council in Loraine, Texas.

Reason for seeking election or re-election: My experience in the judicial system is extensive. And I feel I can serve this community that my husband, Andy of 19 years, considers home now. The lifelong relationships I have made have helped me develop my strengths and I understand how important a team effort and community are.

What you hope to accomplish if you are elected: My objective is and always will be to honor the laws of Texas and Mitchell County. It is my sincerest pledge to serve the people of our great community with pride, purpose and the integrity befitting this position.

What previous experiences will help you with the position you are seeking: I was Municipal Judge for Bailey County (Muleshoe, Texas) for approx. 9 years. I also worked as Court Clerk for over a year. I worked closely with law enforcement and have gained valuable knowledge and experience. My desire is to further serve this community in this capacity. Public service is a high calling and I believe, with my experience, I can excel and serve well. My desire is to become a better asset to the community. I also attended and served as a Crime Victims Liaison as well.

DISTRICT CLERK

Candidate's Name: Sendia Blake

How long have you lived in Mitchell County: Since 1998

Occupation: Justice Court Chief Deputy Clerk, Precincts 1 & 4.

Education: Family Services Worker & Child Abuse Trainings 300+ hours; Escrow Licensed Officer 40 hours/Austin; Texas State University San Marcos Justice Court Training Center 108 Hours-continuing education.

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Family: Married to Ed Blake for 40 years. Son Marcus is a commercial airline pilot, married to Teia. Daughter Armenda human resources with Volks Wagon America, married to Dan and mother to three year old Aleksander Blake Scherle who is "Nana's pride and joy".

Community involvement: Member of Dorn Methodist Chapel and the Outreach Committee; Kiwanians; Lions Club; Charter member of Keep Colorado City Beautiful as Charter Secretary/Treasurer.

Reason for seeking election or re-election: I am seeking the office of Mitchell County District Clerk to further my position and training within the County and State Justice System. I feel that I am the person most qualified to carry on the District Clerk's duties, by being a good custodian of the court's actions and records, to implement the electronic filing by June 2016, and to make the smoothest transition into the position January 1, 2015.

What you hope to accomplish if you are elected: As Mitchell County District Clerk I would be a good custodian serving the Court and have a smooth transition with speed and efficiency, while implementing the electronic filing by June 2016. The District Clerk's office is a public service office and under my direction I would continue to be public-friendly while providing services to the public.

What previous experiences will help you with the position you are seeking: Family Services Worker with federally-funded Head Start program- e-filing, case management, federal reporting while following mandated standards and guidelines and confidentiality. Serving the public.

Escrow Officer with a local abstract office- e-filing, collections, worked regularly with District Clerk's Office record keeping.

Currently, Justice Court Chief Deputy Clerk Precincts 1&4- electronic filing, case management, collections, scheduling hearings and pretrials, monthly and quarterly county and state reporting. Working with the public.

Candidate's Name: Teresa Hughes

How long have you lived in Mitchell County: I was born and raised here in Mitchell County, Texas. I moved back in 2008 and plan to live here permanently.

Occupation: I am a deputy clerk at the Mitchell County Tax Office at 438 E. 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas.

Education: I went to Loraine school from first grade through graduation in 1973. In 1976-1977, I went to TSTI in Sweetwater, Texas and obtained a certification in the Dental Assisting Program. In 1977-1978, I went to Sam Houston State University to study business law.

Family: I am married to Johnny Hughes. We live next door to my mother and step-dad, Charlene and Kenneth Martin. I have three children, Lisa Jump and her husband, Brian Jump live in Prosper, Texas; Heith Gale has two children, Terra and Cieriah Gale, and lives in Snyder, Texas; and Clint Gale and his wife, Bianca Gale have two children, Brayden and Baylee Gale, and live in Snyder, Texas. My husband has five children, Justin Hughes of Lubbock, Texas; Heather Schriber and husband, Jason Schriber, have four children, Nik, Haylee, Jaron and Zach Schriber; Tommy Hughes and wife, Roxie Hughes, have five children, Kylie Jo, Ry-lie, Linzee, Alyssa and Lillie Hughes, all from Dalhart, Texas; B.J. Hughes has one child, Kenneth Hughes and lives in Snyder, Texas; and Allie Horne and husband Donnie Horne, have one child, Hunter Horne and live in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Political experience: I do not have any actual political experience but I am willing to give it my all.

Reason for seeking election or re-election: I enjoy working with and for the public. My concern in local

government has led me to file as a candidate for District Clerk. I feel that I am the most qualified for this position and am eager to serve Mitchell County.

What you hope to accomplish if you are elected: I hope to follow in Sharon Hammond's footsteps as a committed public servant. I am knowledgeable in new technologies that need to be implemented in the District Clerk's Office. I am ready and up for the challenge.

What previous experiences will help you with the position you are seeking: First, I have many experiences that will help me with the position. In 1979 through 1980, I worked at a title company in Abilene, Texas where I searched and documented the District Court's records of the County of Taylor. I also documented the bankruptcy recordings for the title company.

Second, I worked for Rees & Rees, L.L.P. for 23 years which entailed many court documents being filed with the District Clerk's office on a regular basis. I also, through the years working in the law office, gained the knowledge of court procedures for recordation purposes.

Third, in my current position at the Mitchell County Tax Office, I work with the lawsuits which are filed with the District Clerk's office on a regular basis. I also am in close contact with the law office of Perdue, Brandon and Fielder in Arlington that files these lawsuits.

Candidate's Name: Blinda Blessingame

How long have you lived in Mitchell County: Since 1986.

Occupation: Municipal Court Judge - City of Colorado City.

Education: Graduated from Muleshoe High School in 1983, and 1986 graduate of Western Texas College with an Associates Degree.

Family: Daughter, Bethany is a sophomore at Angelo State University; son, Jonathan is a junior at Colorado High School.

Political experience: Municipal Court Judge-City of Colorado City for 19 years; Municipal Court Judge- City of Loraine for 2 years; and Interim City Manager.

Community involvement: Current president of CHS Band Boosters, member past 7 years; member of First Baptist Church of Colorado City, choir member, youth parent, committee member; Mitchell County Girls Softball Association; Mitchell County Soccer Association; Kiwanis Club past president and secretary.

Reason for seeking election or re-election: When I began working for Frank Ginzel as his legal secretary, I would accompany him on civil and criminal trials in District Court, and the job of District Clerk always fascinated me. I enjoy legal work and I am very qualified for District Clerk. I have the experience needed in this office having worked in this area for the past 28 years.

What you hope to accomplish if you are elected: I hope to get District Clerk's office completely automated. In 2016, the State of Texas has mandated that the clerk's office begin accepting efilings for all filings on the civil docket. I would also get all the past records automated so that they will be available online like the County Clerk's office records.

What previous experiences will help you with the position you are seeking: As stated, I worked in a law office for 14 years and we filed numerous cases and held many trials in District Court, therefore I am very knowledgeable in how the District Clerk's office works. Municipal Court had previously been mandated by the State of Texas to begin electronically filing all reports. I applied for and received a grant for funds for computer equipment and software and then was able to implement the programming necessary to meet the requirement. I am currently converting Municipal Court into a paperless system. I have experience and knowledge on how to operate numerous computer programs.

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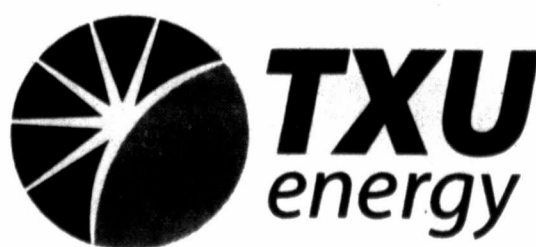
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LOCAL NEWS

TDCJ graduates take oath as correctional officers



READY FOR THE CHALLENGE - Texas Department of Criminal Justice cadets graduated Friday, February 21st from the academy held by the Wallace/Ware complex staff. Those graduating were: (back row, l-r) Jamie Redwine, Jon-Michael T. Cason, Jeremiah E. Walker, Brandon J. Kamer; (front row) Kinsey Martinez, Anita Heredia and Brenda Sparks.

*Local
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An informal ceremony held at the Webb Center on the Wallace/Ware complex in Colorado City marked the graduation of cadets who officially became correctional officers Friday, February 22nd. The new COs were inducted as they took an oath to perform the job duties as required by the State of Texas.

Warden Charles Vondra welcomed the new officers and told them they were "becoming part of a bigger family." Vondra began his career with TDCJ as a CO and worked his way up the career ladder.

He also said he was proud of the fact that the recruits did not have to attend a TDCJ academy out-of-town, away from their families. All training took place through the Colorado City prisons.

Assistant Warden Kennelly expressed his thanks to the staff that helped to train the COs and to the families of the officers for supporting them while they went through the academy. He said, "Now that the training is complete, it's time to put the knowledge to work."

Kennelly also listed the core values it takes to be a successful correctional officer: Commitment, Perseverance, Integrity and Courage. He said that TDCJ offers promotion opportunities as well as relocation opportunities throughout the state.

Correctional officers graduating from the local academy Friday are: Jamie N. Redwine, Jon-Michael T. Cason, Jeremiah E. Walker, Brandon J. Kamer, Kinsey Martinez, Veronica L. Galvan, Anita Heredia and Brenda Sparks.

Awards were presented during the ceremony. Officer Heredia received the award for Most Improvement, Officer Galvan was named the Best Marksman and Kinsey Martinez was the recipient of the Most Team Spirit Award. Officer Redwine received the George Beto Award for his outstanding performance as a student.

Redwine addressed the audience of TDCJ staff and family members. He said that the training had been fun and that he had learned a lot. "We've come together as a team," he said. "Now, we're ready."

Cake and refreshments were served to those attending following the ceremony.

Chamber banquet this Saturday

The RSVPs have been counted and number of plates ordered for this year's Chamber Banquet which will be held at the Colorado City Civic Center on Saturday, March 1st.

This year's banquet will be a little different than in years past. Three Outstanding Educator Awards have been added,

and the chamber board hopes to honor one outstanding educator from each of the county's schools.

With the addition of the three awards, chamber board members and Chamber Director Amanda Jo Ritchey have decided to forgo the usual itinerary. There will not be a featured speaker for the

banquet. A Citizen of the Year will be named, and the customary Agricultural Award will also be presented.

A meal consisting of Mexican Pile-On will be catered by Bama's House, and a coffee bar and dessert buffet will be set available to banquet guests.

Craig speaks to Lions Club about Second Chance Rescue

Becky Craig, representative of Second Chance Rescue, was on hand to present a program to Lions Club members at their weekly meeting Friday. Second Chance Rescue is an organization made up of volunteers who provide foster care to save the lives of dogs and cats who end up at the pound or worse.

The organization was founded in 2012 when a Border Collie and Blue Heeler, Cookie and Oreo, were in desperate need of homes. The first fees were paid out of volunteers' pockets and as the organization grew, it joined the Humane Society in an attempt to get into a dog-friendly network.

Volunteers provide lots of services besides fostering the animals, services like transporting the dogs to adoption events around the area, taking them to the vet, helping socialize the dogs, and participating in fund raisers. Like most non-profit groups, volunteers are always needed at Second Chance Rescue.

Dr. Charles Church, Dr. Charles Froneberger, Dr. Fletcher Wolford and Dr. Alfred Vardeman provide most of the veterinary services needed and often give the group a discount, but vet bills are costly and volunteers are always looking for ways to raise the funds needed. Donations are gratefully accepted to help defray costs.

Because many of the stray and impounded dogs they take in are often ill and in need of vet services, the organization absorbed more than \$40,000 in costs last year. Dogs who come in with a multitude of illnesses, such as Parvo, broken bones, and distemper, have been taken in by the group and found their forever homes.

Foster homes with owners who are able to care for the animals responsibly are highly sought. Not only does it help with the shelter's limited space, foster care also helps the dogs become more socialized.

To help cover some of the costs, Second Chance Rescue charges a \$125 adoption fee, and adopting parents can be assured that the dog is healthy and is current on all vaccinations. Those adopting are required to sign a contract, pledging to provide adequate care for the animal.

SCR also microchips every animal that comes through the shelter. The chips are a valuable tool. If the dog is found, the chip can be scanned revealing the owner's name, address and phone number. SCR pets are also registered under the organization's name in case the owner cannot be found.

Craig urged the Lions to adopt a pet from a shelter instead of buying one. She especially recommended steering clear of all

pet stores, as puppies are often raised in inhumane conditions in puppy mills.

There are a few requirements potential foster homes must meet. The home should have a yard and proper fencing, and the foster parents should plan to play, exercise and pay attention to the foster dog.

Needs are many within the group, and Craig said that volunteers can do many things to help. Donations of food, treats, blankets, toys, crates and dog houses are always helpful. "It can be as simple as putting out a donation jar," she said.

Though Craig lives near Snyder, she said many of the animals that wind up at the pound there come from Colorado City. The City of Colorado City uses the City of Snyder's pound for dogs picked up by Animal Control.

In the last two years, Second Chance Rescue has saved the lives of over 600 dogs and at least 50 cats.

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SAN ANTONIO LIVESTOCK EXPO – Crystal Olivarez (second from right) exhibited her 5th place heavyweight Hereford steer at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition. She is a sophomore Loraine FFA student and the daughter of Andy and Delia Olivarez. Seen here with Olivarez are: (l-r) Chris Olivarez, Delia Olivarez, Tristan Mosher, and Duffy Galloway, FFA Advisor. Photo courtesy of Galloway.

Adams selected to represent Texas as NHD ambassador

National History Day (NHD) announced this morning the 36 teachers selected as Behring Teacher Ambassadors. Local teacher Beverly Adams, from Colorado Middle School, is one of the two teachers selected to represent Texas.

"Teaching history is a passion as is reading," said Adams. "Ultimately by promoting National History Day, these elements fuse with research based learning thus allowing me to light a passionate pathway for future generations of teachers, readers, and research-

ers. By discovering that history is more than dry words on a page it has come alive; because they know it breathes and affects them every day of their life."

The teachers selected have shown outstanding creativity, commitment, and inspiration in developing students' interest in history. Each regional winner will be awarded \$1,000 stipend

for their participation and service as an ambassador. Middle and high school teachers are nominated by their administrators, peers, or self for the award. Candidates must be classroom teachers interested in NHD programs, who have demonstrated excellence in the classroom, or be past Behring Teacher award winners.

Tax help still available at library

AARP, IRS and Mitchell County Public Library will sponsor a public service free income tax return preparation, including e-file at the Mitchell County Public Library. Representatives from the agencies will be at the library on March 11th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Those wishing to participate in the service should sign up by contacting the library at 728-3968.

Two forms of identification are required in order for "tax preparation" to be completed. One must be a photo I.D. such as a driver's license. The second must be the original or a copy of your Social Security Card or Form SSA-1099 or the ITIN Card or letter.

Those attending should bring last year's tax return, dependent's and spouse's Social Security cards and birth dates.

Local citizens raise over \$2,500 in MDA Lock-Up

Three giving citizens agreed to take part in the Muscular Dystrophy Association's Lock-Up program last week, and raised over \$2,500 for the charitable organization. The three "went to jail" at the Sweetwater Fire Department and donations to

MDA paid their bail.

Colorado City Police Chief Luis Aguilar raised \$1,210 for the charity, while Pat Cawthron's participation netted \$500 for the program. Travis Edwards garnered \$914 for the cause.

Each participant would like to offer their thanks for the community's support in this fund-raising event.

The money raised for the organization helps cover costs to send children to MDA Summer Camp which is being held in Ceta Canyon this year. The funds also go toward flu shots and other medical expenses for several families served in this area.

The closest MDA Clinic in this area is located in Midland

and there is also a clinic in Lubbock. MDA is the world's leading nonprofit health agency dedicated to finding treatments and cures for muscular dystrophy, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and other neuromuscular diseases. MDA funds worldwide research and provides comprehensive healthcare services and support to MDA families nationwide.

MDA events are a fun way to raise vital funds to support the battle against neuromuscular diseases. Volunteers are the driving force that enables MDA to accelerate its worldwide research program and provide diagnostic and follow-up care through a nationwide network of 200 medical clinics.

Boy Scout Fish-a-thon to be held in Snyder

Local Boy Scouts and their families have the opportunity to participate in the 20th Annual Snyder Fish-a-thon this year in April, and a pond stocked with catfish and perch promises good fishing action for those participating.

On Saturday, April 12th, the annual fishing event begins in Towle Park in Snyder. Registration starts early that morning at 7 a.m., and the opportunity to fish will go on all day from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Families who wish to do so may camp overnight on Friday in Towle Park. Campers should arrive Friday between 6 and 8:30 p.m.

There is a \$5 admission fee for fishing, and patches will be available for \$4 each. No fishing license is required.

Over \$1,000 in prizes will be given away. All funds raised will benefit the programs of the Buffalo Trail Council, BSA in Scurry County.

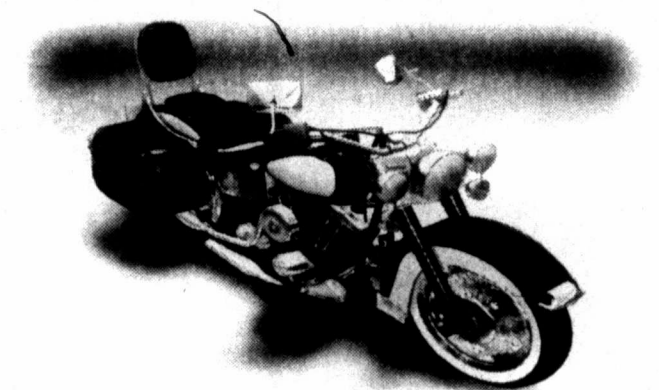
The Fish-a-thon is a perfect opportunity for a fun program for scouts and their families. Over 300 people were in attendance last year.

For more information, contact Brian Sweeney at 432-212-3577 or email him at Brian.Sweeney@Scouting.org. More information can also be obtained by visiting the website: www.buffalotrailbsa.org.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR USE OF HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUNDS

The City of Colorado City will be conducting a public hearing on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. to receive requests for allocations of the Hotel/Motel Tax Funds. The public hearing will be conducted at the Civic Center, 157 West 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas. All interested parties are urged to submit their written requests with a detailed explanation of their proposed utilization of funds on or before 12:00 Noon on March 6, 2014 at the Colorado City Hall, 180 W. 3rd Street, Colorado City, Texas. Proposals will then be opened at 1:30 P.M. on March 6, 2014 and reviewed by Administrative Staff. Proposals received after the time and date for receipt will not be considered. The City Council will then consider the applications for funding at a second public hearing which will be conducted at a regular meeting of the City Council at the Civic Center, 157 W. 2nd Street at 6:00 P.M. on April 15, 2014. The City Council reserves the right to accept or reject any proposals which may be submitted and to determine the appropriate disbursement of Hotel/Motel Tax Funds in accordance with the Hotel Motel Regulations. Previous Grant Recipients should review your 2013 Contract prior to submittal.

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SOCIETY

Oak Street revival begins Sunday

Former local citizens to lead services

Oak Street Baptist Church is the site of an upcoming revival, which is extra special considering the people coming in to lead the revival are two hometown boys, Brett Hoyle and Matt Thackerson. The theme for the gathering will be Season of Renewal.

Brett Hoyle will be the featured speaker for the revival services which are set to be held March 2nd through the 5th. Matt Thackerson will be leading the worship. Services will begin Sunday, March 2nd with the morning

service starting at 10:45 a.m. A meal is planned for Sunday at 5:30 p.m. with worship services following at 7 p.m.

Services will also be held Monday and Tuesday, March 3rd and 4th, at 7 p.m. Wednesday night has been deemed Youth Night and a meal will be served for all youth in grades 6-12 starting at 6 p.m. Service for all ages will start at 7 p.m.

Hoyle grew up on his family's farm near Colorado City in a loving, Christian home. When he was in 3rd grade, he was saved at

Oak Street Baptist Church and he describes it as the "best day in my life." Growing up, Hoyle was active working on the farm, being involved in church and playing sports.

After graduating from Colorado High School, he attended West Texas A&M University where he played baseball and received a bachelor's degree in history. He married Lindsey Anne Criswell on December 14, 2002. "During the time in college and shortly thereafter, God affirmed His call on my life to enter full-

time ministry," he said.

Hoyle served as the student pastor at First Baptist Church in Claude for about three years. While there, he began taking online courses from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, and in 2006, his family moved to Kentucky so he could attend the seminary and earn a Masters of Divinity. While in Kentucky, Hoyle served as youth pastor at Eastern Gate Baptist Church in Shepherdsville and worked for UPS.

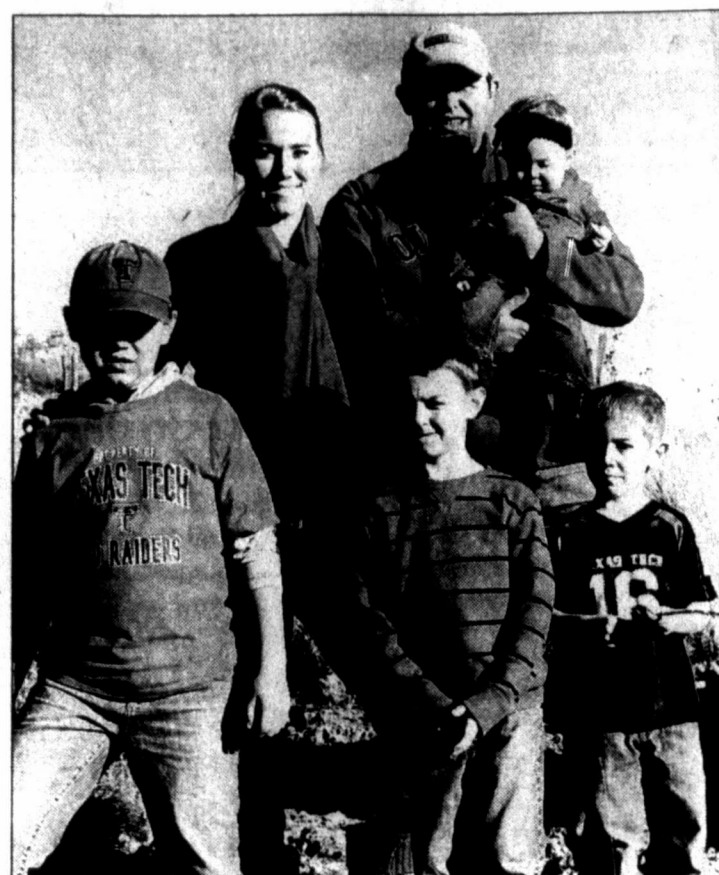
Brett and Lindsey have four children, Matt, Seth, Jake and Hannah, ranging in age from one to eight years old.

Thackerson currently serves as minister of students and education at First Baptist Church in Idalou. He began working in the student ministry in August of 2000 and has served in churches in Texas and New Mexico.

Thackerson said that God has given him the opportunity to lead others in worship of Jesus in Texas, New Mexico, Canada, Germany and Brazil. He and his wife, Mandy, have four children, two boys and two girls.

"Christ is worthy of all our worship, not just in the church building, but in everything that we do," Thackerson said.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and take advantage of this special opportunity to join with the Colorado City natives in worshipping God. For more information about the revival, please visit the church's website: www.oakstreetbaptistcity.org.



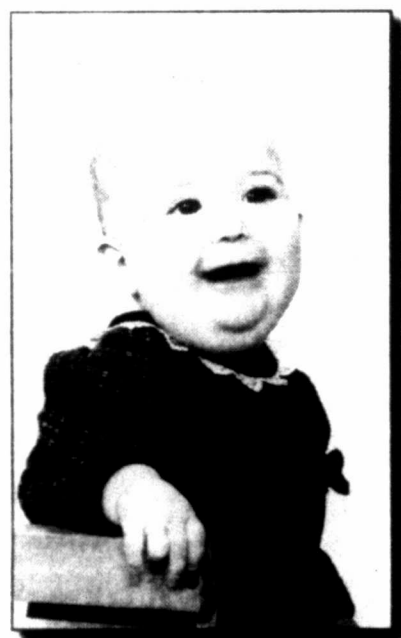
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WALK AROUND THE LAKE

By Ginny Harmon

This month will start my third year doing this column. What joy it has brought me!

Sharon Mayberry had her donkey, Jack, neutered. He is NOT happy with her at all. The female, Jill, looks relieved and happy. All the dogs and cats got their shots. Sharon's "babies" are all fixed up. I had our animals up to date on their shots also. Linda Baum, the now-famous cat, hid under the bed but we finally got her out and she got hers too.

My dogs are getting so fat. I am so embarrassed when people ask me what I feed them. I guess too much!

I haven't been to church for a while so I don't know much about the activities there. Getting Ed ready for church is hard now, and he has been under the weather lately. We really do miss you all!

I sure wish it would rain.

Someone said we are in a 10-year drought. Six more years before we get water in the lake?

Rev. James Williams, Sharon Mayberry and Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Ritchie took banana pudding for the people in Valley Fair Lodge to celebrate their birthdays. The staff at the nursing home are lovely people. They are kind and sweet to family and patients. Marsha is super!

Back in the day (as my kids say) we stayed outside from morning till dark. We only had the radio to entertain us at home, and after we played and had supper we looked forward to listening to our favorite shows.

Some of the programs were Jack Benny, Fiber McGee and Molly, and how scared I would get when the ghost program would come on. On Saturdays, we would go to the movies and sit through two movies for 25 cents! I would always sit in the front row for the Lone Ranger

and Tonto! Someone would always play the organ before the movies started. We had so much fun.

On Saturday night, we would go with Grandma and Grandpa to Woolworths, See's Candy Store and finally to the grocery store. I always had a nickel to get a vanilla ice cream cone. We would be dressed in our best clothes and everyone would greet and visit as we walked down the avenue.

Sunday dinner was always chicken and mashed potatoes and gravy. I miss those days sometimes. Skates and skate keys around my neck. Even though I broke my arm twice, nothing could keep me from my skates.

This past Valentine's Day, Ed proposed to me 67 years ago. There are so many days I wish we were young again and not facing the situations we are now. But, life goes on.

Waiting on spring! Wishing you all a happy month ahead!

The Byrds of Victory

Two novellas, "I am a Freight Train" and "The Fields are Ripe for Harvest," comprise "The Byrds of Victory" - the stories of Preacher Byrd, who fights in the South Pacific during World War II and returns to his small Texas Panhandle hometown to work as a blacksmith-welder and to join black and Mexican-American leaders and start a farm workers' union, which results in a great deal of intrigue and ends with a shoot-out, and Preacher's son Benny, haunted by the tragedy of a drag racing accident while working with a wheat harvest crew in Texas, Colorado, Nebraska and Montana. "I am a Freight Train" is the colorful Preacher Byrd's first-person account of his life while "The Fields are Ripe for Harvest" is told in the classic naturalistic style through only what the characters do, say and experience. The novel thereby powerfully imparts a sense of time and place that gives it a unique authenticity.

About the Author

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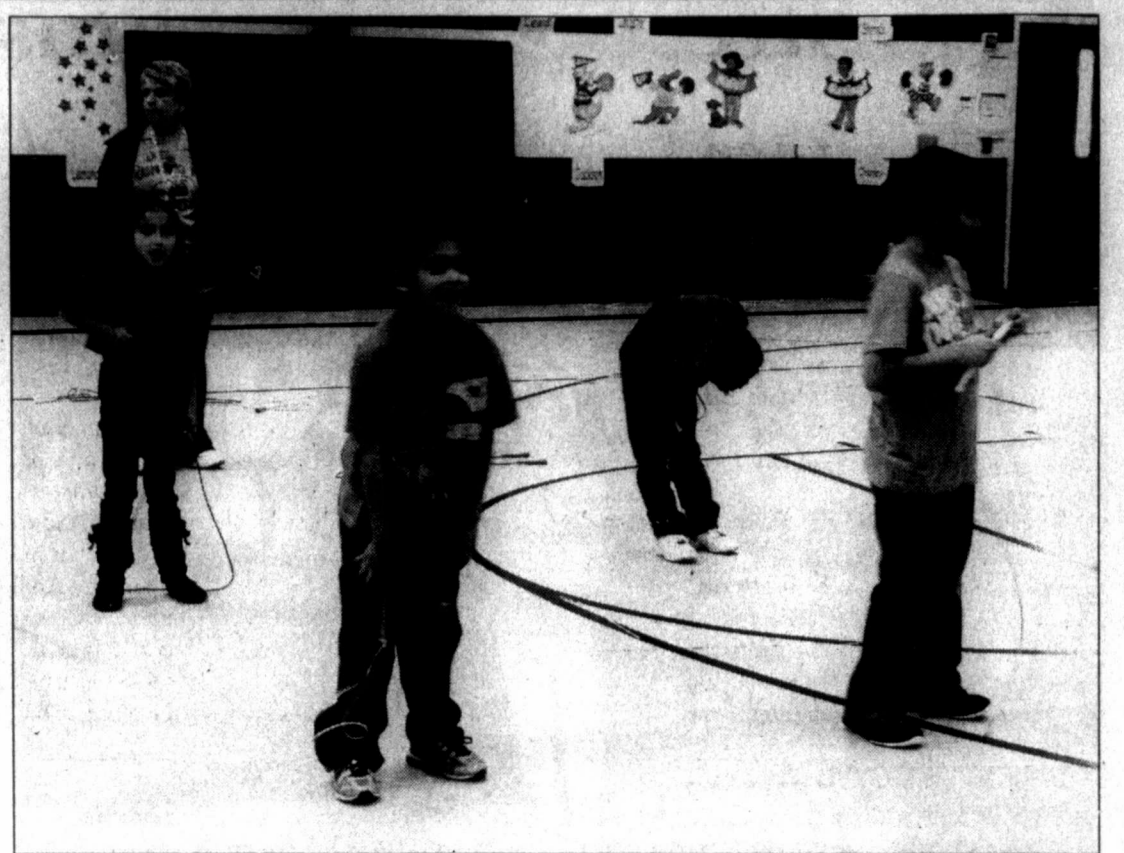
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SCHOOL NEWS



BOX MONSTERS—For Valentine's Day Mrs. Shrode's class made Love Monsters. The Love Monsters were what they made to put their cards in. Students in Mrs. Shrode's class are Quadaulpe Sustaita, Jose Colin, Riley Nelson, Redwan Chowdhury, Saniyah Harrell, Alyssa Gutierrez, Victor Garcia, Landon Rodriguez, McKenzie Gurtierrez and Isaiah Hernandez. Photo courtesy of Jeri



JUMPING FOR MONEY—Kelley Elementary students (l-r) Danielle Bell, Khaleel Mohammed, Ryan Nix and Alex Ruiz, were among many participating in the Jump Rope for Heart event to raise funds for the American Heart Association. Mrs. Ceballos is seen helping with the event. Photo courtesy of Melinda Alexander.

SCHOOL MENUS

Kelley Elementary
Breakfast Menu Mar. 3rd - 7th
 Monday - Dry cereal, Texas toast or oatmeal round, yogurt, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or Chicken-n-waffle sticks, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Wednesday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or breakfast club, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Thursday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or cinnamon roll biscuit, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Friday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or cinnamon roll bacon, fruit juice, choice of milk.
Hutchinson, CMS, CHS & Wallace
Breakfast Menu Mar. 3rd - 7th
 Monday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or waffles with syrup, sausage patty or biscuit n sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or cinnamon roll, bacon or biscuit n sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Wednesday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or French toast bake, bacon or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Thursday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or banana bread, cream of wheat or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Friday - Dry cereal w/ Texas toast or biscuit-n-sausage, fruit juice, choice of milk.
Colorado ISD
Lunch Menu Mar. 3rd - 7th
 Monday - Cheese pizza, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - Chicken quesadilla, black beans, baby carrots, salsa, orange smiles, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Steak fingers, potatoes w/gravy, savory green beans, hot roll, apple-pineapple d'lite, choice of milk.
 Thursday - BBQ on a bun, black beans, baby carrots, salsa, orange smiles, choice of milk.
 Friday - Cheese burger, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, choice of milk.
Loraine ISD
Breakfast Menu Mar. 3rd - 7th
 Monday - Oatmeal, muffin, juice, cereal, toast, milk.
 Tuesday - Chicken, biscuit, milk, cereal, toast, milk.
 Wednesday - Sausage on a stick, potatoes, cereal, toast, juice, milk.
 Thursday - Sunrise sandwich, milk, cereal, toast, orange.
 Friday - Breakfast taco, juice, cereal, toast, milk.
Loraine ISD
Lunch Menu Mar. 3rd - 7th
 Monday - Hamburger, garnish, tater tots, ketchup, western beans, mustard, diced pears, milk.
 Tuesday - Tangerine chicken, baby carrots, brown rice, steamed broccoli, pineapple tidbits, milk.
 Wednesday - Tex-mex stack, salsa, Spanish rice, pinto beans, garden salad, milk, applesauce.
 Thursday - Stuffed BBQ potato, baby carrots, ranch, Texas toast, milk, fresh fruit bowl.
 Friday - Pepperoni pizza, garden salad, green beans, milk, fresh apples slices.
Westbrook ISD
Breakfast Menu Mar. 3rd - 7th
 Monday - French toast sticks or cereal, Texas toast or oatmeal round and

yogurt or cinnamon breakfast pastry and yogurt, fresh fruit or fruit juice, milk.
 Tuesday - Scrambled eggs, biscuit and gravy or cereal, Texas toast or animal crackers and string cheese, fresh fruit or fruit juice, milk.
 Wednesday - Breakfast club or cereal, Texas toast, or breakfast parfait/ yogurt or cinnamon breakfast pastry with yogurt, fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk.
 Thursday - Chicken-n-waffles or Cereal, Texas toast or animal crackers with string cheese, fresh fruit or fruit juice, milk.
 Friday - Breakfast burrito or cereal, Texas toast or oatmeal round and yogurt, cinnamon breakfast pastry and yogurt, fresh fruit or fruit juice, milk.
Westbrook ISD
Lunch Menu Mar. 3rd - 7th
 Monday - Hamburger or cheeseburger or chicken sandwich, hamburger garnish, potato rounds, western beans, diced pears, milk.
 Tuesday - Tangerine chicken w/ brown rice or pig in a blanket, baby carrots, steamed broccoli, pineapple tidbits, milk.
 Wednesday - Tex-mex stack w/ corn chips, Spanish rice, refried beans, or roasted ham & cheese sandwich with chips, garden salad, salsa, hot cinnamon apples, milk.
 Thursday - Stuffed BBQ potatoes, Texas toast or chicken fajita salad w/ tortilla chips, salsa, baby carrots, fresh fruit bowl, milk.
 Friday - Chicken parmesan, breadstick or cheese pizza, garden salad, savory green beans, fresh apple slices, milk.



THE LOVE MONSTERS—Mrs. Chaney's head start class made love monsters for Valentine's Day. Students in Mrs. Chaney's class are Priscilla Golden, Alexis Nelson, Zoey Alvarez, Salome Amador, Brayden Prieto, Xavier Rivera, Esaias Amador, GiGi Madrid, Araceli Hinojosa, Kларыssa Cereceres, Raley Palmer, Kairi Watson, Lane Valenzuela and Aliana Martinez. Photo courtesy of Jeri Garcia.

Congratulations to this week's Players of the Week!

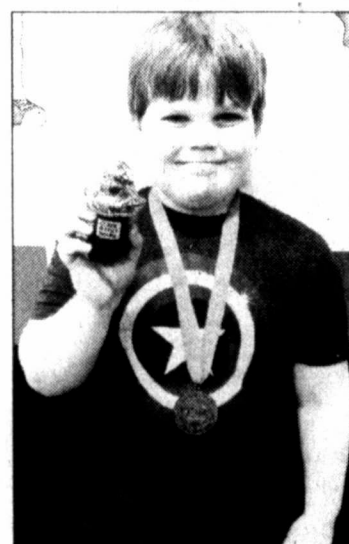
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JUMP ROPE FOR HEART—Kelley Elementary participated in the Jump Rope for Heart event. The student that collect the most money was Christian Ashley and he collected \$325. Photo courtesy of MaryLou Costabile.

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SCHOOL NEWS



PERFECT ATTENDANCE AND HONOR ROLL—Loraine ISD gave out the 4th six weeks awards this week for perfect attendance and honor roll. Students receiving this award were, Tim Garza, Darrian Garcia, Este Benivamondez, Carson Edmonds, Tristan Mosher, Bailey Young, Dusty Dawson, Katie Barrera, Tracy Price, Gage Carlson, Skyler Givens, Sonny Benivamondez, Madison Edmonds, Crystal Olivarez, Chris Olivarez, JT Cooper, Brilee Young, Hope Aimee, Dakota Smith, Michael Garcia, Jesus De Leon, Abram Hernandez, Tristan Price, Layton Mosher, Armando Gonzales, Royce Angel, Seth Chaney, Gabriel Garcia, Isabella Alden, Chelsea Gee, Jesse Mallion, Christian Sanchez, Serenity Roberts, Saeja Barlow, Alex Betts, Chasity Diaz, Alexis Aime, Cadon Walthall and Madeline Gibson. Photo courtesy of Travis Edwards.

Loraine students honored



ELEMENTARY AWARDS—Loraine ISD gave out their 4th six weeks elementary awards for perfect attendance and honor roll. Students who got the award are Cameron Garza, John Christian Alden, Joshua Bolen, Claudia Cabrera, Taylin Cooper, Christian Diaz, Jayden Home, Casein Lujan, Oscar Vazquez, Brence Goolsby, Dylan Betts, Skylar Aguilar, Cyrus Lopez, Christina Martinez, Davion Walthall, Malakai Williams, Jose Talamantes, AJ Williams, Ravyn Carroll, Brett Bolen, Jordan Garza, Chase Goolsby, Josiah Lujan, Emiliano Martinez, Sarah Lambaren, Ashleigh Boyd, Nina Barrientez, Gustavo Vazquez, Xander Ybarra, Zaiden Barrera, Jayton Epperson, Jay Lopez, Johnathan Lujan, Patience Price, Raelon Walthall, Matthew Bolen, Sadie Chaney, Ethan Chaney, Maysan Chaney, Adrian Hernandez, Alyssa Woodell, Aiden Woodell, James Madrid and Cianna Martinez.

ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS

Property owners have certain rights that may reduce their property tax burden.

HOMEOWNERS

Persons who own their residence on January 1, 2014, may claim their home as a residential homestead. The filing of this document is only necessary if the homeowner has changed homesteads since January 1, 2013, or has become eligible for additional exemptions since last year. Homeowners may also defer the portion of the tax on their residence homestead if the value of the home was raised more than 5% above the previous year. Although the tax collection is deferred, interest continues to run on the unpaid portion of tax at a rate of 8% per annum and the deferred tax remains alien on the property. Homeowners can apply for the deferral by contacting the appraisal district that appraised the property and complete an application.

DISABLED PERSONS

Persons who are disabled under Social Security law are entitled to additional exemptions on their residential homestead. Disabled applicants must apply with the appraisal district and furnish a determination letter from Social Security. Disabled persons now receive all benefits on their home that are available to persons who are over 65 years of age (see next paragraph).

PERSONS WHO ARE OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE

Persons who are over 65 years of age or disabled may file for additional exemptions and a ceiling on school taxes for their residential homestead if they become 65 during 2014. Over-65 persons should apply for this exemption at the appraisal district office in their area. Over-65 persons are also eligible to defer paying the tax on their residential homestead if they wish. The taxes continue to accrue during the deferral along with an interest rate of 8% annually, but no attempt will be made to force payment during the deferral. Details and an application may be obtained from any appraisal district or the State Comptroller.

DISABLED VETERANS

Persons who have been declared disabled by the Veteran's Administration are eligible for additional exemptions on property they own. Their declaration letter from VA is mailed annually, but the appraisal district only needs a copy in the first year of eligibility or if the percentage of disability changes. The law provides partial exemptions for any property owned by veterans who are disabled, spouses and survivors of deceased disabled veterans and spouses and survivors of military personnel who died on active duty. The amount of exemption is determined according to percentage of service-connected disability. The law also provides a 100% exemption for 100% disabled veterans and their surviving spouses.

FARM AND RANCH OWNERS

Farmers and ranchers may be entitled to receive an alternate method of appraisal determined by the farm income to the property. This method is available to farms and ranches commercially raising crops or livestock or which are used as a wildlife habitat under State guidelines. An application for agricultural use value and additional information is available for your appraisal district. Re-filing is only necessary if requested to do so by the Chief Appraiser.

EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

Exemption applications for all property tax exemptions including total exemptions for charitable, religious, and other total exemptions may be obtained from an appraisal district nearest you or through the State Comptroller's Office at 1/800-252-9121 or at their website at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxforms/02-forms.html>

BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNERS

State law now requires the filing of a rendition declaring what types of business personal property that a person or company owns. Failure to file the rendition will result in a 10% penalty. If a fraudulent rendition is filed, a 50% penalty is mandated. A rendition can be obtained from the appraisal district office where the property is located. A 30-day filing extension is available by written request.

AVAILABILITY OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Taxpayers may receive certain notices required by law from the local appraisal district in electronic format. Written agreements with the county appraisal district must be entered first, ensuring what electronic means of delivery are acceptable. If you are interested in receiving communications in electronic format, you should contact your local appraisal district to receive a form requesting electronic communications and how that communication should be transmitted.

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK at Hutchinson Elementary are Clara Mahan, Chris Ortiz and Adam Castro. Photo courtesy of Christy Myers.

Students of the week named at Hutchinson

Students of the Week at Hutchinson Elementary are Clara Mahan, Chris Ortiz and Adam Castro.

Clara is a 3rd grader in Mrs. Quinn's class. Her favorite subject is science. She says that she has two cats and two dogs. She says her favorite thing about Hutch is going to the library.

Chris is a 4th grader in Ms. Lindsey's class. He says he likes

to play football. His favorite subject is writing class. His favorite thing about Hutch is going to P.E.

Adam is a 5th grader in Mrs. Sparks' class. His favorite subjects are math and science. He has a dog named Max, and likes to play baseball. His favorite thing about Hutchinson is fun Friday in P.E.

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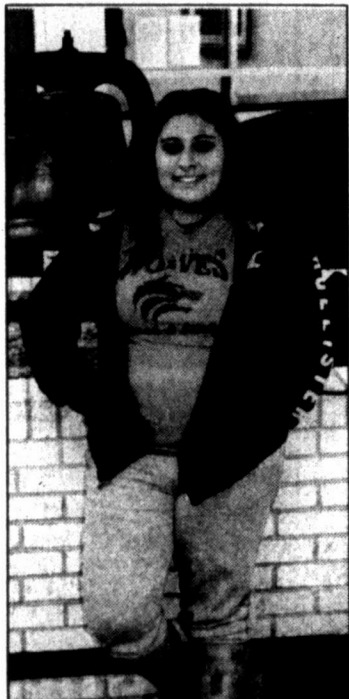
SPORTS



ALL-DISTRICT SELECTIONS – Several Lady Wolves were named to the All-District Basketball Team. They are: (l-r) Senior Heather Merket, 1st team; freshman Baylie Lindsey, 2nd team; junior Cassie Sutton, 1st team; and senior Mackenzie Kimball, who was named Offensive MVP. Alexis Muñoz was named honorable mention but is not pictured.



JUNIOR HIGH TRACK—The Junior High boys track team at Westbrook took home lots of individual awards and placed 2nd as a team at the Westbrook Junior High Wildcat Relays. Members of the track team are, Caleb Matos, Haiden Lopez, Weston Lamb, Alejandro Chavez, Jaiden Lopez, Cristobal Chavez, Kamrun Martinez, Bryson Magers, Christopher Molina, Nick Reynolds, Kyle Lastly and Aaron Lamb. Photo courtesy of Schelli White.



REGIONAL QUALIFIER – Jazlyn Mendoza, a sophomore at Colorado High School, has qualified to compete in the Regional Powerlifting Meet by finishing in the top 10 in the region in her weight class. Mendoza will travel to Merton on Friday to compete for a chance to qualify for the state meet.

Junior high track meet to be held here Thurs., Feb. 27

Hollis Gainey Track will be the site of a junior high track meet this Thursday, February 27th. Teams from Clyde, Sweetwater, Snyder, Coahoma and Forsan will join Colorado City runners to kick off the junior high track season.

There will be 7th and 8th grade boys and girls competing in two field events and several relays. Athletes will compete in the shot put and discus events, while the long distance 4x800 relay is taking place.

The 4x100 sprint relay will be the first race to follow the field events and long distance relay.

Students will participate in several other relays, including the 4x200 relay, mile relay, distance medley and sprint medley relay.

The sprint medley and long distance medley follow an unusual format, with the first two runners running a shorter distance, the third leg running a bit further and the last leg racing the longest distance of the relay.

The meet is set to begin around 4 p.m., and the CHS Band Boosters will have lots of goodies at the concession stand. Track coach Kyle Jeffrey would like to encourage everyone to come out and support the kids.



TRACK GIRLS—The Westbrook Junior High track team won multiple individual awards and also won 2nd place at the Westbrook JH Wildcat Relays. Members of the team are Brae Boedeker, Kaylea Rich, Gabby Schworer, Cheyenne Reyes, Erica Gutierrez, Madison Brewster, Brianna Murry, Taylor Parsons, Hadley Redwine, Leah Wood, Miranda Goswick, Adi Hale, Syrrah Tenorio, Cami Miller, Rebecca Campos, Ivy Gutierrez, Kaci Ferris, McKenzie Webb, Kendall Lastly, Bri Hale, Haleigh Haven and Taylor Wagner. Photo courtesy of Schelli White.

Loraine competes in Westbrook track meet

The Loraine Bulldogs traveled to Westbrook to participate in a junior high track meet recently. Results follow.

Michael Garcia finished 1st in both the 200m and 400m and finished in 4th place in the long

jump event. Armando Gonzalez placed 1st in the shot put.

Javon Walthall finished 3rd in the 100m and 6th in the discus event. Zack Garcia placed 6th in the 300m hurdles, and Dakota placed 6th in the 2400m run.

The boys 400m relay team consisting of Dakota Smith, Javon Walthall, Zack Garcia and Michael Garcia placed 5th in the race.

Chealsey Gee finished 4th in the 400m.

COLORADO HIGH SOFTBALL VARSITY SCHEDULE 2014

Feb. 27-Mar. 1	Crossroads Tmt	Big Spring	TBA
Mar. 4	Denver City*	C-City	6:30 p.m.
Mar. 6-8	Snyder Tmt	Snyder	TBA
Mar. 11	Brownfield*	Brownfield	6:30 p.m.
Mar. 18	OPEN		
Mar. 25	Coahoma*	C-City	6:30 p.m.
Mar. 28	Lamesa*	Lamesa	6:30 p.m.
Apr. 4	Brownfield*	C-City	6:30 p.m.
Apr. 8	Denver City*	Denver City	6:30 p.m.
Apr. 12	Haskell	Haskell	1 p.m.
Apr. 15	Coahoma*	Coahoma	6:30 p.m.
Apr. 18	Lamesa*	C-City	6:30 p.m.

* District Play

Wolves pull out one victory in Cash Classic

The Wolves Baseball team competed in the Norm Cash Baseball Classic in Post this past weekend.

With strong competition, they managed one victory against O'Donnell but came up short against Kermit and Friona.

In the Wolves victory over O'Donnell, Jonathon Jackson lead the offensive effort going 4 for 4 with 2 RBIs. Josh Sutton, Nick Perez and Scotty Bailey collected 2 hits apiece.

Perez had a double and David Garza added a triple, and Nick Palacios picked up the win pitching 2 innings and giving up 4 hits. Jackson and Robbie Gonzales also saw some action on the mound.

The Wolves lost to Kermit 14-4 and Friona 16-4. The Colorado City boys committed 8 errors in the two games and against Friona their bats were silenced as they managed only 1 hit by Jackson.

In the 14-4 loss to Kermit, Cason Smith picked up two hits while Trey Brown, Perez, Sutton and Jackson each collected 1 hit apiece.

The Wolves play in Jim Ned March 3rd.

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The family of Josh Hulme

BID NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: The City of Colorado City, Texas is seeking sealed proposals for Audit Services. Anyone intending to submit a proposal in response to this request must obtain specifications from City Hall, 180 W. 3rd Street, Colorado City, Texas between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday or by contacting the City Secretary, Donna Madrid, at 325-728-3464. Sealed proposals shall be delivered to the City Hall at 180 West 3rd St., Colorado City, Texas, 79512 or mailed to P. O. Box 912, Colorado City, Texas 79512. All sealed proposals must be received at City Hall by 12:00 Noon on March 6th, 2014. Proposals will then be opened at 1:30 P.M. on March 6th, 2014 at the office of the City Secretary. Proposals received after the due date and time will not be considered. Proposals will then be considered by the City Council at their next regular meeting which is scheduled for 6:00 P.M. on March 11th, 2014 at the Civic Center which is located at 157 W. 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals in accordance with the provisions of section 252.043 (a) (b) & (c) of the Local Government Code which allows the City to accept the lowest proposal or the best value for the City.

Signed
Donna Madrid
City Secretary

REQUEST FOR BIDS

The City of Colorado City is seeking bids for the sale of the following described property:
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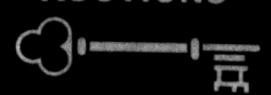
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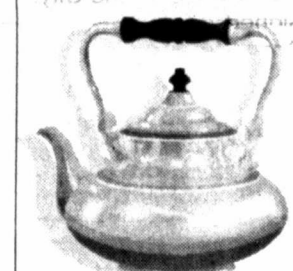
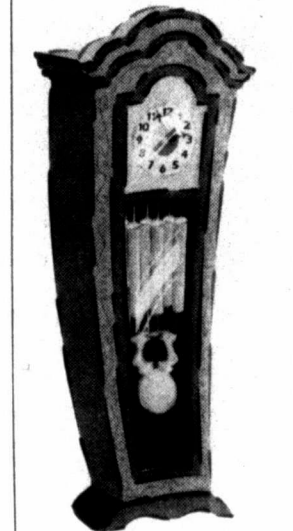
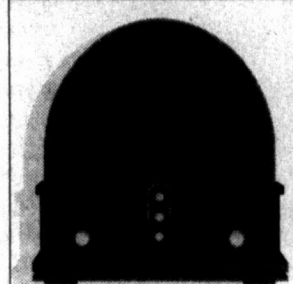
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NEW! 1243 Chestnut - 3 Bedroom, 2 bath house. Sits on cornerlot, has new roof, double carport and attached man cave. Reduced to \$75,000.
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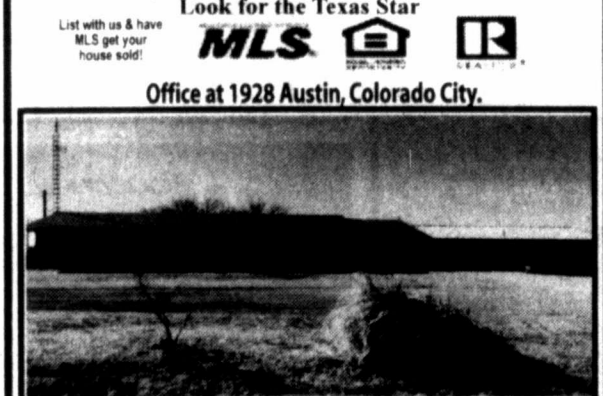
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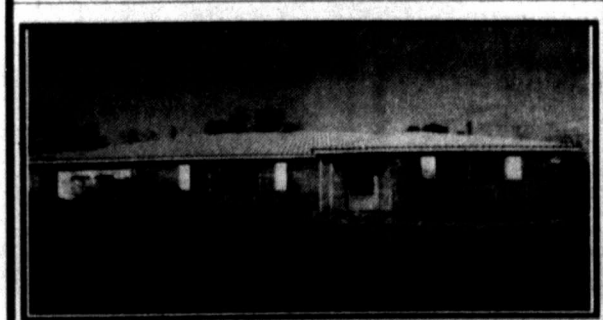
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LOCAL NEWS

January was busy month for clinic

Members of the Mitchell County Hospital District's board heard a report from hospital CFO Joe Wright, and the statistics recorded at Family Medical Associates showed a very busy month in January.

According to Wright, 1,631 patients were seen in the rural health clinic during the month of January. That's an average of 75 patients per day.

ER visits were also up, with 542 patients being seen in MCHD's emergency room, and EMS worked 108 calls in January.

MCHD Administrator Robbie Dewberry reported that the hospital's stress test machine had crated. A new machine, similar to the one owned by the

district, costs \$19,875.

Dewberry said that he had looked at a couple of different brands of refurbished machines, but the cost difference was about \$3,500. Board members decided to approve the purchase of a new Quinton Legacy Stress Test Machine, since \$22,500 had been budgeted to replace the aging machine anyway. The cost of the machine includes a three-year maintenance agreement.

Several small changes to the Medical Staff By-Laws were approved by the board. One of the changes concerned adding a category to the medical staff. Physicians seeing patients in the Specialty Clinic are now considered associates and less

paperwork is required for credentialing.

After an annual review, no changes were made to the Dietary Texas Academy of Nutritive Dietetics Medical Nutrition Policy & Procedure Manual. The board approved the manual.

Marsha Rickard, Administrator at Valley Fair Lodge, gave a brief report on the nursing home. She said that the state's auditors had visited the home recently and found only a few small discrepancies.

"They were very kind and very complimentary," Rickard said. VFL is currently sitting at 72% occupancy, with 38 residents.

Dewberry told board members that he had attended a

meeting with the hospital's architects and plans for the new rural health clinic are about 75% complete. The Medical Staff Department will have a chance to look at the plans to give architects their ideas.

Once the plans are complete, they will be brought before the board for approval. When approval is received, the plans are submitted to the state for approval. Dewberry said the state usually has changes which will be made and then resubmitted for state approval.

Dewberry said he has visited with Royce Clay, President of City National Bank, and financing for the construction project is a go. "I hope to break ground in May or June," Dewberry said.

Zoning commission OKs modular home district

The City Zoning Commission met Tuesday evening to consider rezoning a couple of properties and all garnered a stamp of approval from the commission. Commission members in attendance were Dale Geiger, Sherry Brown and Cherry Hoback.

A public hearing was held regarding a request to rezone several blocks and lots in the "Sands" area of town, west of the Mitchell County Cemetery, from a Single Family Residence District to a Mobile/Modular Home District.

After the hearing, the commission approved the zoning change for several blocks in the area to be used for mobile/modular homes. All homes must meet the city's standards and codes.

A public hearing was also held to redefine the definition of a modular home. Such housing is defined as "being a structure designed and built for the purpose of use as a dwelling complete with wiring, plumbing, bath and kitchen with a certified Architect or Engineering approval for habitation as a residential dwelling and must meet all requirements for such use as specified by the International Residential Code."

A few residents spoke during the public hearing regarding a request made by Earl Plagens to rezone property at and surrounding 835 E. 11th Street. The request was to rezone the area from Single Family Residence District to Multi-Family Residence District.

Plagens said he plans to build two duplexes on the property. Citizens who spoke live in neighboring homes and expressed concerns about an increase in traffic and the possibility of loud music.

The duplexes Plagens want to build are approximately 1200 to 1400 square foot per home. They are one bedroom units, built for one person.

Plagens is talking to two builders and construction will begin sometime in May if the city council approves the rezoning for the project. The duplexes will add approximately \$170,000 to \$200,000 to the city's tax roles.

Following the hearing, the commission approved the request to rezone the whole block.

All requests were approved by the zoning commission and recommendations will be brought before the city council during the next regular meeting.

FILINGS

FROM PAGE 1

vid Stubblefield and Kenny Gillespie have filed for re-election, and Gillespie will face challenger Rebecca Seibold for the seat to represent Precinct 3.

No new candidates for the city council of the City of Colorado City either. The three incumbents have filed for re-election. Andrew Fuller is running again for District 6, Marcelo Alvarez has filed to re-run for District 3, and Ed Blake will run for re-election in District 4.

It's a similar story for the Colorado Independent School District Board of Trustees. Incumbents Shane Johnson and John Martinez have filed for re-election. Martinez will face Steve Komppa for the seat in Place 2, and Veronica Boone has filed to run for Place 1.

Loraine ISD has three spots up for election on the board,

and five candidates have filed for the at-large spots. Those who have filed are incumbents Joe Lujan, Ron Gibson, and Frank Sanchez, along with challengers Geory Martin and John Chaney.

Mayor Pro Tem Max Tillman is the only person to have filed for a spot on the Loraine City Council, but Councilman Jerry Graham has expressed his intention to run again. Seats currently held by Graham and George Davila are up for election in May, along with Tillman's seat.

Jim Bob Hale will run for the unexpired two-year term of Donnie Hale on the Westbrook ISD Board of Trustees. All four incumbents on the board have also filed for election. Rance Dawson, Tom Whitesides, Craig Rees and Curtis Clemmer will be on the ballot again in May.

VOTING

FROM PAGE 1

Mitchell County Appraisal District building, at 2112 Hickory Street in Colorado City. Those voting should enter the building through the front door.

The Westbrook Community Building at 302 W. Thorne Street in Westbrook is the polling place for registered voters in Precinct 2. Voters are asked to enter the old school tax office through the front door.

Voters in Precinct 025 will fill out their ballots in the Oak Street Baptist Church Activity Building, located at 805 Oak Street in Colorado City. Entering through the front is acceptable.

Precinct 3 voters will use the lobby of the Mitchell County Courthouse at 349 Oak Street in Colorado City as a polling place. Entrance to the lobby can be accessed by using any of the court-

house doors.

The Loraine First Baptist Church Annex will serve as a polling place for Precinct 4 voters. The building is located at 503 Lightfoot Street in Loraine, and voters are asked to enter through the doors between the church and annex.

Voters in Precinct 046 will mark their ballots at the Calvary Baptist Church Activity Building at 1025 East 15th Street in Colorado City. Those voting should enter through the west door of the activity building, behind the church.

As of Tuesday, February 25th, 219 Republicans and 20 Democrats had cast their ballots in early voting. A higher turnout of Republicans voting was credited to the contested local races on the ballots.

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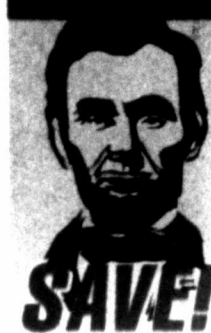
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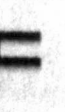
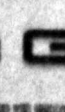


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