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Housing Authority members resign

When the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Colorado City met Thursday night, everyone knew someone was resigning. It was on the agenda, item number 10, section 2, stating: Consider resignation of executive director and all actions to follow.

This was supposed to take place in a closed session, near the end of the meeting.

But things never got that far. Before the meeting

could get started, three people, not one, resigned, leaving two people to withstand a flood of emotion from some in the crowd.

Pat Whitzel, Let Mitchell and Anthony Randle, all three, walked out of the meeting amid complaints from the spectators.

"I just can't do this anymore," Randle said. "All the whining, complaining and backstabbing, I'm done."

"So you are all just going to get up and leave?"

asked resident Della Ausbie. "Why did we all come out for a meeting, if you knew you were going to walk out? Who's going to help us now?"

"I have tried to help you, Della," Randle answered her, still gathering his things from the table and heading for the door.

Ausbie had been scheduled on the agenda to address the board concerning rent increases.

"It put us in a bad spot," Colorado City mayor,

Carol Sue Dakan, said. "But we have three new faces to fill the voids."

Margaret Brophy, Bubba Limones and Carmen Herrera will be thrust into the spotlight Thursday night, May 3, when the board meets again.

Their first order of business will be accepting the resignations of the three members they are replacing.

The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. at the housing authority's building on Oak Street.

City sells bonds to finance debts

After calling the second city council meeting to order within a week, Mayor Carol Sue Dakan suggested that the meeting, which had three items on the agenda, could be illegal. All council members were present.

Topics on the agenda included the approval of the sale of bonds on the old and new debt and the possible selection of a new city manager.

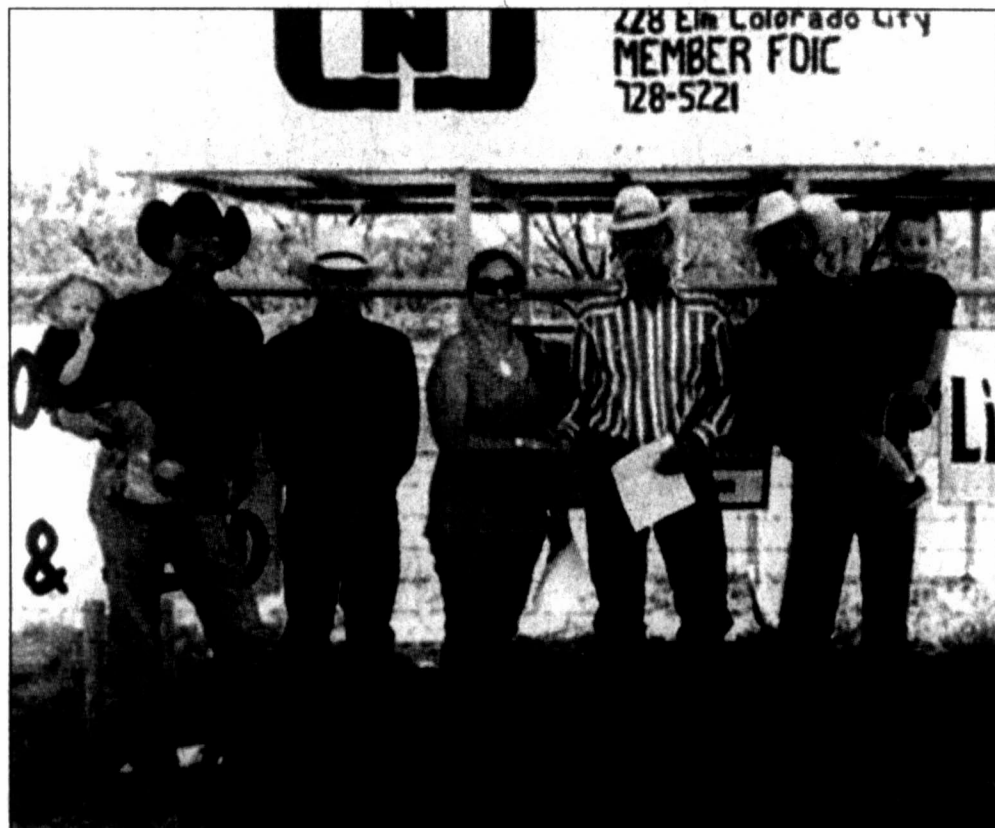
Dakan said that the council/mayor policy adopted in December of 2011 states that a called meeting should be of one topic which cannot wait until the next regular meeting. Bob Brookshear, Keith Hiser and Sue Mason expressed their wishes to continue with the meeting.

The mayor had it put on record that she felt like continuing the meeting violated the 2011-03 policy adopted in December. All other council members voted to continue, with Dakan voting against.

Hiser described the mayor's tactics as a "dog and pony show."

Ben Rosenberg of Coastal Securities, Inc. was present to get approval on the selling of bonds to

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THE SUCCESSFUL CHAMBER of Commerce Ranch Rodeo was held last weekend at the arena west of C-City. The only local team to place was the third place team Covenant Ranch, (l-r) Lonnie Jones, Lynn Bradbury (Amanda Jo Ritchey), Marty Daniels and Leslie Jones.

Low early voting numbers seen in Mitchell County

Early voting for the May 12 elections started Monday morning in Mitchell County and will run through May 8, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. with voting open in Colorado City at the City Hall, located at 180 W. 3rd Street.

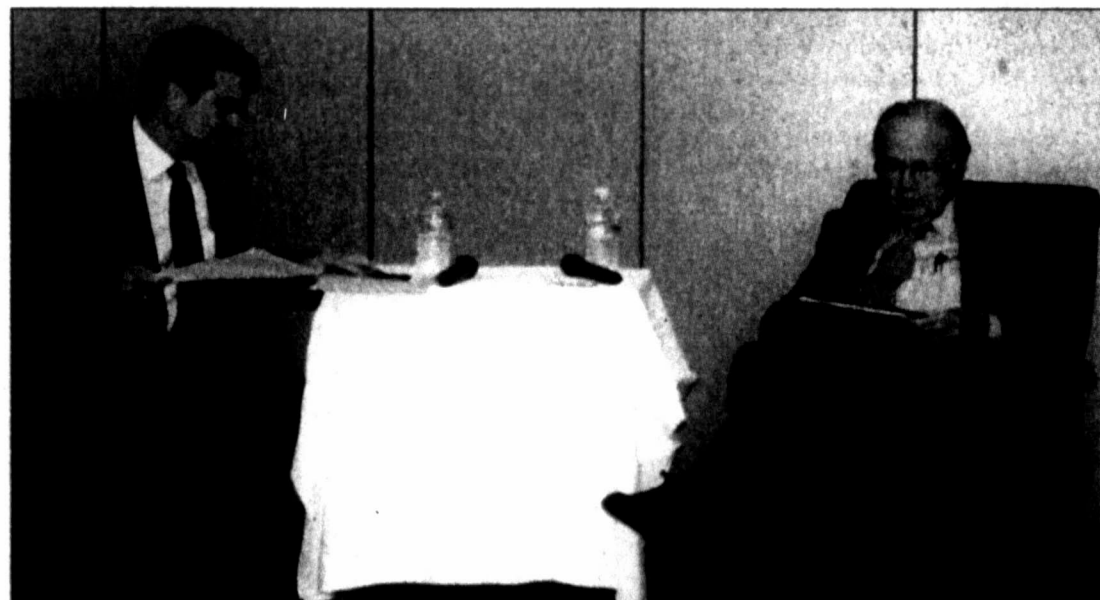
According to Donna Madrid, city secretary, the numbers this year are a bit shy, but of course, there is still plenty of time left during the early voting portion of this election. At 3 p.m. on Tuesday, deadline time around the *Record*, only 16 people had made their voices heard, with 12 of those showing up on Monday. According to Madrid, there could be a reason for the low numbers.

"We only have two districts running," she said. "If this were a city wide election, they would be higher. Besides, the numbers tend to pick up a bit toward the end of the early voting period, so there's still time."

In Loraine, school superintendent Travis Edwards says 23 residents have already cast their ballots as of 3 p.m. Tuesday, with 17 showing up on Monday.

Colorado City's City Council had Seats for Districts 3,

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WHICH ONE'S THE HOT SEAT? — Texas Representative Charles Perry (left) from District 83, prepares to talk to spectators at the Colorado Middle School Tuesday afternoon. On his right, candidate Delwin Jones prepares his own words. The two will square off in the May 29 Republican Primaries.

Talent show to be held this Thursday

Do you have "the voice"? Have you got "the moves"? Just what is your true talent? Music, acting, dancing, magic — now is your chance to shine! Mitchell County's "Night of Stars" wants you!

Do you sing, dance, rope, recite poetry, one act play, whistle, play an instrument? The top 15 acts will be chosen to perform at

the Colorado City Opera House in the Mitchell County Talent Show the evening of May 3rd.

No try-outs will be held. Those interested in performing should call Jill White at 325-242-2300, Debby Mitchell at 325-933-0112 or Trisha Phillips at 325-242-6455.

Cash prizes will be awarded:

\$100 for 1st place, \$50 for 2nd place and \$25 for 3rd. There is no age limit.

All proceeds will benefit the opera house. No talent?

Come be a part of Mitchell County's "Night of Stars" and support your favorite act. Admission is \$5 and the show begins at 7 p.m.

Water rate increased, budget approved by city council

After interviewing city manager applicant Mike Smith Thursday evening, the city council met in open session to tackle two important issues.

Those present for the interview part of the meeting were Bob Brookshear, Keith Hiser, Bobbie Banks and Mayor Carol Sue Dakan. Right after the interview, Dakan left, citing illness as her reason. Fortunately, Councilman Marcelo Alvarez arrived to fill out the quorum so that the meeting could continue.

Interim City Manager Belinda Blessingame and financial officer Connie Baker brought a \$1.57 water rate increase suggestion before the council. The monthly increase would bring the minimum water bill to \$60.

Blessingame began the presentation to the council by saying, "None of us are happy about an increase. It's unfortunate but necessary." She went on to explain to the group that with cur-

rent inflation at 2.65%, all prices are going up. Food is currently 2.7% higher than it was a year ago and energy is 4.6% higher than last year.

According to Blessingame, even with a rate increase, Colorado City's base water rate of \$16.75 would be cheaper than surrounding cities. Snyder water customers currently pay \$22.66 for the first 2000 gallons, with a sewer rate of \$9.98 per month. Sweetwater's rates are \$14.06 per 1000 gallons, and sewer services cost \$27.55. Merkel charges \$24.90 for the minimum water usage and \$19.50 for sewer services. Mitchell County Utility's minimum water rate is \$24.69 per month.

Baker and Blessingame stressed that it is important to gradually increase water rates to help pay for the day-to-day operations of the city, instead of waiting and bumping up rates sharply in the future to pay for

big projects. For instance, the City of Rowena had historically low water rates and then ran out of water and had to raise rates by a huge margin to develop other avenues for water.

Mayor pro tem Hiser said that city may still be working toward the possibility of an agreement with the county on the desalination plant and is definitely looking into more water wells to ensure water for the future citizens of Colorado City. He said that the small increases now will keep the city in step with what will be necessary in the future.

Bobbie Banks made the motion to approve the rate increase ordinance, with Alvarez seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

The council voted to pass a budget that is \$120,000 less than last year. The \$7.5 million budget includes the \$1.5 million being borrowed by the city for

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Around Town

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Briefs

Mother's Day Celebration Everyone is welcome to a special Mother's Day Service at Primera Iglesia Bautista el Calvario, 1635 Walnut on Sunday, May 13. Sunday school starts at 10 a.m. and services begin at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served after the service.

Immunization Clinic The Texas Dept. of State Health Services will hold an immunization clinic on Tues, May 8 from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the education center of the First United Methodist Church at the corner of 4th and Chestnut Streets. The fee for the clinic will be minimal. For more information call 728-4282.

Graduation Service Primera Iglesia Bautista el Calvario, 1635 Walnut, will hold a special graduation service on Sunday, May 6. Sunday school starts at 10

Answerline

Q. What can you tell me about the moth (butterfly) that is invading my house?

A. The Miller moths or Army cutworm are harmless to animals and humans but can be a pesky nuisance. Moth eggs laid in the fall are hatching. Since we have a warm spring, the overwintering larvae started their spring feeding early, explaining why moths are being seen earlier this year.

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LOCAL NEWS

Small school makes large strides for kids

The things, they are a-changing...at Westbrook ISD, that is. According to Todd Burleson, Westbrook's Superintendent of Schools, the school district is in a perfect opportunity to grow and improve.

"We are fortunate and humbled by our healthy values, primarily attributed to mineral and oil, at this time," Burleson said. "We realize we are in a prime window of opportunity to make a few improvements to our campus."

The school is in the process of building a new show barn for their growing FFA program. In addition, the district will be putting artificial turf on the football field, completely renovating the school auditorium and making improvements to their old, original gymnasium.

"We will also be making a few improvements to our existing FFA building," Burleson added.

The school's enrollment is up significantly over the last 10 years. The school has been able to increase their teacher housing from six to 20, adding a daycare center for the staff's children. They have also completely renovated their junior high school, began a startup pre-K program and built a new early childhood center.

The school has also been able to add a new all-weather, eight-lane track. The entire heating

and air conditioning system has been renovated throughout the school, as six new classrooms were added to the main building, including a new, state-of-the-art science lab, new computer lab and a new cafeteria.

"We have great kids at Westbrook ISD and a dedicated, high-quality staff," Burleson stated proudly. "We just appreciate the opportunity to be able to come to work every day and to educate and shape the lives of our young people."



THE CALF SCRAMBLE WINNERS at last weekend's Chamber sponsored Ranch Rodeo were (l to r) Brazos Nachlinger and Gage Peterson, with Chamber Manager Amanda Ritchey presenting the Kiwanis Kalf Cash. Gage was from Snyder and Brazos lives in Hermleigh.



STOP BULLYING NOW! The Mitchell County Child Welfare Board has tips to stop bullies from causing harm to children. Board members are: (l-r) Eva Salinas, Janet Mayo, Gimny Rivera, Kristian Morris, and Brenda Kelley. Photo courtesy of Janet Mayo.

OBITUARIES

Suzie Franklin 1934-2012

LORAINE—Mrs. Joan B (Suzie) Franklin, age 78, died Saturday morning at her residence. She will be cremated and no service is planned at this time. Arrangements are under the care and direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Suzie was born January 16, 1934 in San Francisco, California to Roy E. and Dorothea Pate Askey. She married Charles Franklin on April 7, 1988 in Clayton, New Mexico. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Methodist Church in Loraine.

She is survived by her husband, Charles Franklin of Loraine; two sons, Robert Dale West of Cathedral City, California and Glen and wife, Perri West of Guyton, Oklahoma; two daughters, Charlotte Kumm of Grapevine and Patricia and husband, David Seegers of Rio Rancho, New Mexico; one sister, June Cline of California and four grandchildren.

Royce Mahon 1923-2012

SHERMAN -- On Thursday, April 24, 2012, Royce W. Mahon, formerly of Loraine, passed into his heavenly Father's arms in Sherman. He was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Margaret McWilliams Mahon in 2006.

He is survived by a son, James Mahon and wife Sandra; daughter, Susan Hill and husband Rick; daughters, Cindy Mahon and Barbara Couk. He had seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Royce was born July 7, 1923 in Loraine. His parents were John B. and Nola (Muns) Mahon. He is survived by siblings, Bryan Mahon and wife, Mary Nell, San Angelo, Melba Rickman of Lubbock, Gordon Mahon and wife, Melba of Lubbock; and sister-in-law, Nova Lee Mahon of Fort Worth.

Royce graduated from Loraine High School and served in the 112th Army Air Force during WWII. During his youth, he helped his dad with Mahon Grocery Store and later Mahon Motor Co. in Colorado City. Royce farmed for many years, turning part of the Spade Ranch into a farm for his Uncle Durwood Mahon.

With the help of his wife, Margaret, they owned Mahon Feed Co., Mahon Trucking and when he retired he worked as a US Rural Mail Carrier for several years. In 2003, Royce and Margaret moved to the Renaissance Retirement Home in Sherman to be closer to their children. The last few years, Royce had lived at The Renaissance/Seasons where he touched many people and was loved by many. He always presented himself as the Christian he was and loved to sing gospel music. He will be missed by all whose lives he touched. He was preceded in death by brother, Eldon B. Mahon; brother-in-law, Ricky Rickman; son-in-law, Charles Couk; and great-grandson, Gavin Gassiot.

There will be a memorial service on Thursday, April 26, 2012 at 10 a.m. at the Renaissance/Seasons in Sherman.

On Saturday, April 28, there was a visitation for family and friends at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home from 10:00-11:30 a.m. Immediately following the visitation, there was a graveside service in Loraine. The services were handled by Kiker-Seale Funeral Home, 338 Locust Street, Colorado City, TX 325/728-2622.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church, Loraine, Texas 79532.

Miranda Sevier 1979-2012

COLORADO CITY—Mrs. Miranda Sevier, age 32, died Friday night, April 27, 2012 at her residence. Funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church in Colorado City with Dr. Jerry Shields officiating. Burial followed in the Colorado City Cemetery under the care and direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Miranda was born October 17, 1979 in Midland to James McGill and Georgann Tester and had been a resident of Colorado City since 1994. She married David Sevier on May 10, 2003 in Colorado City. She was a customer service representative for Sharyland Electric Co and a member of the First Baptist Church in Colorado City.

She is survived by her husband, David Sevier of Colorado City; her son, Brayden Coronado of Colorado City; her mother, Georgann Smith of Colorado City; her father, James and, Debbie McGill of Odessa; three brothers, Sterling Goldston and wife Amie Goldston of Houlton, Maine, Jamie Smith of Austin and Zachary McGill of Odessa; a sister, Caitlin McGill of Odessa; five nieces, Jlynn Goldston, Myla Goldston, Marley Goldston, Mariah Munoz, and Mylee Longoria; and a nephew, Michael James Muñoz.

Commissioners waive fee for CISD students

The Mitchell County Commissioners approved a proclamation, accepting the week of May 6-12 as Hospital Week, with an official theme of "Making Miracles Happen."

In other business, the court agreed to waive the fee for Colorado ISD's Project Celebration.

The court was addressed by Tabatha Angelo on behalf of the students organizing the event and was joined in the courtroom by Miranda Reyna, Jason Rodriguez and Derek Gainey.

The commissioners also approved the monthly payroll of \$64,299.46.

Retirement Reception honoring Dr. Darold Baldwin

The public is invited to attend a retirement reception in honor of Dr. Darold Baldwin and his wife, Lynn on Sunday, May 6, 2012 from 2:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. in the Family Life Center of Colonial Hill Baptist Church—Snyder. Dr. Baldwin has served as the Executive Director of Rolling Plains Baptist Network for the past 23 years. The Rolling Plains Baptist Network comprises 30 Baptist churches in Scurry, Mitchell, and Nolan counties. Colonial Hill Baptist Church is located at 3506 El Paso in Snyder.

Board distributes prevention materials

By Janet Mayo
Mitchell Co. Welfare Board

As April was Child Abuse Awareness month, members of the Mitchell County Child Welfare Board purchased and distributed Bullying Prevention materials for the youth of Mitchell County.

High school and middle school students were given bookmarks and were encouraged to take a S.T.A.N.D. against bullying: Show good character every day. Treat others as you wish to be treated. Always report bullying to an adult at school or at home. Never bully others or laugh with a bully. Do the best to help anyone who is bullied.

Elementary school students received a "50 Ways to Praise Kids" magnet to take home and share with parents. The magnet provides parents with ways to promote their child's confidence. Research has shown that students with a higher self-esteem are less likely to be bullied by their peers. In fact, common targets of bullies are shy and anxious youth with few or no friends.

Parents: If your child has been bullied, take his/her complaints seriously! If the bullying happened at school, contact the teacher or school administration so that appropriate measures are taken. Advise your kids to avoid bullies by sitting near the bus driver on the bus, by walking to and from school with a buddy, and by staying in areas with other students and adults around.

Because bullying is such a serious problem, let's all take a S.T.A.N.D. against bullying. Let's teach our children to have good character, to treat each other with kindness and to have integrity to do the right thing.



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LOCAL NEWS

Main Street recognized by Historical Commission

Colorado City has been commended for its successful annual progress as a designated Main Street community. The Texas Historical Commission (THC) and its Texas Main Street Program (TMSP) made the announcement November 2 at the annual statewide downtown revitalization conference co-hosted by the TMSP and the Texas Downtown Association.

The 55 National Recognition cities, which represent the real places of Texas, include: Amaril-

lo, Bastrop, Bay City, Beaumont, Brenham, Bridgeport, Canton, Canyon, Carthage, Celina, Colorado City, Corsicana, Del Rio, Denton, Electra, Elgin, Farmersville, Ferris, Georgetown, Goliad, Gonzales, Graham, Grapevine, Greenville, Harlingen, Henderson, Hillsboro, Huntsville, Kerrville, La Grange, Laredo, Levelland, Livingston, Llano, Longview, Lufkin, McKinney, Mount Pleasant, Mount Vernon, Nacogdoches, New Braunfels, Odessa, Palestine, Paris, Pecos,

Plainview, Rio Grande City, Rockwall, San Angelo, San Marcos, Seguin, Taylor, Waxahachie, Weatherford and Winnsboro. These cities will be further recognized as Nationally Accredited by the National Trust for Historic Preservation next April in Baltimore, MD at the annual conference of the National Trust Main Street Center.

"Throughout 2011 we have been celebrating the Texas Main Street Program's 30 years of progress, having taken our first

designated cities in 1981. Recognizing these cities for their efforts in revitalizing their historic downtowns takes on special meaning this year. The programs being acknowledged are large and small from all areas of the state, showing that the Main Street model is appropriate for all kinds of communities with historic downtowns," said Debra Farst, TMSP state coordinator.

National accredited Main Street cities show above average performance in ten categories

on an annual report. Selection criteria focus on planning, partnerships, staffing, volunteer effort, preservation ethic, training and program assessment through reporting. For additional information about the national Main Street effort, visit the National Trust Main Street web site at <http://www.preservationnation.org/main-street/>. For more information on the Texas Historical Commission's Main Street program visit www.thc.state.tx.us.



NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK... On April 30, during Commissioners' Court, Mitchell County Judge Ray Mayo signed a Proclamation acknowledging May 6-12, 2012 as National Hospital Week and its theme "Making Miracles Happen." Pictured above are top left to right: Joe Wright, Mitchell County Hospital District CFO; Diane Calcote, Mitchell County Hospital District Nurse Manager; Jerry Reynolds, Mitchell County Hospital District Board President; bottom left to right: Commissioner Jeremy Strain, Mitchell County Judge, Ray Mayo and Commissioner Jesse Munoz. Photo courtesy of Amanda Rivera.



THE RODEO EVENTS ended with the all time crowd favorite, mutton bustin'. Twelve kids were ready to ride some woolly sheep. The champion rode for over six seconds and claimed a new pair of boots donated by Wood's Boots! The winner was Kelby Frizzell from Sterling City.

Texas DPS asks motorists to watch for two-wheelers

The Texas Department of Public Safety is reminding drivers to take extra precautions around motorcyclists on Texas streets and highways, as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month begins May 1.

"Motorcyclists face unique safety challenges on Texas roads because they are smaller, more difficult to see and less protected than cars and trucks," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Motorcyclists can protect themselves on the road by obeying traffic laws and wearing their helmets. Motorists can help by looking twice for motorcycles and giving them additional space."

DPS recommends all drivers "Share the Road" and "Look Twice" for motorcycles, which are public awareness campaigns that highlight motorcycle safety. Motorists should take caution, especially at intersections and when changing lanes - the two places where serious motorcycle collisions occur.

Half of all fatal motorcycle crashes in Texas occur because the car or truck driver never saw

the motorcyclist.

The number of motorcyclists killed annually since 2000 has more than doubled, from 196 in 2000 to 472 in 2011.

The 472 motorcycle drivers and passengers who lost their lives in Texas accounted for 16 percent of traffic deaths in the state. Eighty-seven percent of motorcycle crashes result in death or injury of the motorcyclist.

The number of motorcycles on Texas roadways has more than doubled in the last decade.

Motorcyclist must be properly licensed to operate a motorcycle in the State of Texas.

The DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit coordinates training courses at more than 200 locations around the state for both basic and experienced riders.

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OPINION & COMMENTARY

TUMBLEWEED SMITH Ever have a chocolate tumbleweed?

Susie Hitchcock-Hall of Midland has a background as a dance instructor and is now making candy for a living. I'm not talking like in a little candy shop. I'm talking big time. She sells her goodies all over the world. She is quick to admit she is not a discount house and uses the same Belgian chocolate and other ingredients that Godiva and other established upscale candy manufacturers use. Susie loves to use butter. "I'm the local sugar pusher," says Susie. "I don't do anything that's low fat. I tell my customers not to worry, just eat less candy."

She started making and selling candy twenty years ago in her home. "A friend of mine had a pecan grove and wanted to do something with the pecans other than just sell them and I like to cook. So I started my business and called it Susie's South Forty because it started out on forty acres south of Midland. I had a mailing list of my dance students and told them about my candy making. And I used my church directory."

I asked her how her company got so big. She said it was because of the Texas sass associated with her two stores in Midland and Odessa and that the candy speaks for itself. "People like that homemade flavor. It has ingredients like you find in your kitchen. When I started the business I said I was going to make the best candy you can buy. There are no preservatives in my candy and it's all made by hand."

Susie is a businesswoman who doesn't mind working around the clock. Her factory is in a building large enough to accommodate a 747. One long wall is decorated like an old western town, where the administrative offices are located. The rest of the building is filled with cardboard boxes for shipping, tons of plastic packing material, big walk in refrigerated lockers, the kitchen, shelves and cabinets full of labels and assembly lines like Lucy and Ethel used on their TV show. When I was there most of the administrators were working making candy and getting it shipped out. Susie is the second largest shipper in Midland for FedEx and UPS during holidays, when 30 or 40 people are working in the kitchen.

"We make toffee, pralines, caramel, fudge and bark. One of the things we're really well known for is our Texas Trash snacks. We make a hero chow for our servicemen. Making candy is like having kids. You name them and dress them any way you want to. When I introduce something new I go to one of my fifty or so cookbooks and start experimenting with ingredients to see what works and what doesn't."

Her latest creation is called Tumbleweeds, made of coconut, chocolate, powdered sugar and Karo syrup. She calls it a coconut candy but it looks like golf-ball size chocolate tumbleweeds. She invited me to be on hand to see the first batch being made from a large mixing bowl. My mouth watered and I couldn't wait 'til I tasted one. We took pictures. This was a big deal for me. When I gave my wholehearted approval, Susie beamed and said, "I think it'll be a big hit." It certainly is with me.

Japan beach full of shiny "gems"

By Stasia Hitchcock

As soon as I graduated High School I joined the Marines. My very first duty station was in Okinawa, Japan. At first I was terrified. I was barely 18 and being flown halfway around the world accompanied only by strangers. And then I stepped off of the airplane in Okinawa and my fright turned to awe. It is truly amazing to be in a place where you cannot understand a single word that is spoken and the written language that is all around you is in letters so foreign that it is hard to comprehend they actually have meaning.

But the excitement was so great inside me that I had to restrain myself from running in every direction at once. If I close my eyes and concentrate I can still taste the tang of the saltwater on the air. I can hear the light hum of thousands of dragonflies that swarmed all over the island. I can hear

the crash of the waves as they broke against the cement barrier designed to keep the ocean from claiming the island beneath its surface. The sounds of the locals around me of loud laughter from curbside vendors, fruit markets on the open sidewalk, the chimes of bells from bicycles and the buzz of motorcycles and scooters as they flew by.

One of the most memorable moments happened on the beach. I had been caught up in watching a local Japanese soap opera filming at a nearby pier and had not paid much attention as the swimmers and sunbathers around me had packed up and gone home. I found myself sitting alone as dusk began to fall and because the weather was warm and I had no place to be that evening, I decided to sit and watch the moon rise across the ocean. I was captivated by the way the moonlight played on the water. It felt a bit

surreal.

Soon I began to notice the sand beneath my hands was shifting and when I looked down I saw a very small crab climbing its way to the surface of the beach. Looking out I noticed that there were hundreds of these little crabs crawling across the sand sifting through the day's remains and pilfering the offerings that the gentle tide was bringing in. The moon made them glow like little gems so I just sat and watched them scurry by. Before too long my presence there was clearly unwanted as one particularly grouchy crab decided to nip the seat of my pants. Far be it from me to sit on anyone's supper. I left the beach shortly after and while I never did sit and watch the moon rise again, I have never forgotten how beautiful it was to watch those shiny gems dance for me.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

I'm baaacckkk! Once again I am writing a letter to the editor.

What am I talking about? The ad placed in this past week's Colorado Record about Bob Brookshear.

If you have never been unable to pay your taxes, you are blessed.

I, for one, struggled for years because I owed back taxes on city, county and school. I am fortunate to now be able to keep my taxes current. Would this make me unfit to sit on the City Council?

I am so tired of the back-biting and mud-slinging that is going on here in Colorado City. We all should have one goal in mind - to make Colorado City best place to live and work and help draw other people to our city.

Each person should be allowed to express their opinion in a respectable manner without being "called down" by other people and ridiculed. Then let majority rule without discord. Let's get rid of this discord that is in our Council and Housing Authority.

Sincerely,
Dolores Wood

Letter to the Editor:

I'm writing this letter to express gratitude and appreciation to my friends, Shady and Debby Mitchell of Loraine, for the senior citizens center benefit held at the Colorado City Opera House on April 19th. The benefit not only featured outstanding local talent, it was very successful as a fund-raiser for the two senior citizen centers in Mitchell County.

Shady and Debby were aware of economic crunch being endured by the centers because of funding cuts by the government agency which provides funding to both centers and came up with the idea for the fund-raiser. The Loraine Volunteer Fire Department donated the meat for hamburgers and Fuller Foods donated the "makins".

The benefit was successful because of others who helped: Randy Bullard served as Chief Cook; Jan and Bobby Lemons furnished some snack bar items and helped coordinate the cooking and serving; Kenneth Beasley operated the house lights. Lots of local talent performed at the Opry and it was one of the most enjoyable opry nights ever!

Thank you to everyone who attended, thank you to those who could not attend but chose the donated generously, thank you to the performers and thank you to the many volunteers who helped. Our two seniors citizen centers are forever grateful to you all, especially Shady and Debby.

Dickie Summers
Loraine

Dear Editor:

In response to Ms. Wright's paid ad in the April 26, 2012 edition:

I just wanted to clarify the statement of "Carol Parham was the last executive director to spend the Capital Fund Grant money on the units." Here are the facts:

I began as Executive Director of the Colorado City Housing Authority on Oct. 1, 2009. In November of 2009, a contract was signed using 2009 stimulus money, some 2008 Capital Fund and some 2009 Capital Fund to put new metal roofs on 44 units, new windows in 86 units and central heat and air in 15 units.

In August 2010, a contract was signed to put central heat and air in 16 units and a contract to have the units abated for asbestos was also signed. 2009 Capital Funds were used for this project.

In June 2011, a contract was signed to put central heat and air in 14 units and a contract to have the units abated for

asbestos. 2010 Capital Funds were used for this project.

2011 Capital Funds were approved in the amount of \$111,439 for drawdown in October 2011.

Of this amount, \$27,327.32 has been spent as follows:

Management improvements-- \$4756.46 (this is software annual update, trainings for management and board members)

Administration -- \$3287.72 (this is advertisement for contract bids)

Fees and Costs -- \$7000.00 (this is for plans and job specs)

Site Improvement -- \$3495.00 (trim trees out of electric lines and landscaping including grass burr eradication)

Dwelling Equipment -- \$27143.14 (new stoves and refrigerators)

Dwelling Structure -- \$6574.00 (replaced older air conditioning units that went out, and to replace a sewer line)

This leaves \$12,790.00 for improvements in the units. But if air conditioners go out, or sewer lines collapse or any other emergency situation arises, the emergency will come first. The budget calls for new front and rear doors, door jams, thresholds, rehab units (which includes: electrical, plumbing, painting, air conditioning/heating, bathroom fixtures, etc.)

I wonder what the resident that had to spend the night in a motel because the bathroom was not functioning due to a collapsed sewer line, or the residents who could not stay in the units because the weather was over 100 degrees think about our "wasting of funds?" Did we waste Capital Fund money on those units?

Also in the budget is \$30,000 to refurbish the old maintenance building for an office for residents to meet and organize. In addition, there is \$32,834.00 to install a video surveillance system for the safety and security of the residents.

2012 Capital Fund Budget did include \$30,000 for operations and employee benefits, but the subsidy for 2012 was more than expected when the original purposed operating budget was sent to the accountant. The \$30,000 is not needed for operations as the board has received the correspondence from HUD to confirm this.

Board meetings tend to come up with a lot of nonsense, but the fact is:

The purposed operating budget actually decreased by \$48,000.00 for the year ending March 31, 2013. Employee benefits have been cut by \$19,000. Car allowances were cut by \$4,800.00. Training was cut by \$1500.00. Maintenance labor was cut by \$3900.00 and contract labor was cut by \$16,000.00. Sundry was cut by \$1500.00.

Sincerely,
Pat Whitzel

Letter to the Editor:

Wow! How awesome our community leaders and organizations, businesses, CISD school administrators, personnel and teachers are.

Everyone chipped in to accommodate the CHS senior girls' RAD self-defense class put on by Midland College Police Department. Donations were made for food from Sonic, Fuller Foods, Pizza Pro/Gas 'n' Grub and Bama's House. Kiwanians, Rotary Club, Lions Club, Kiwanis Club, Red Rock Oil Field services and First Baptist Church all led the way by donations to the event as well.

Thank you all and praise God for all the giving hearts. The tactics the girls learned in class were life changing. So many of the people of our community truly care for others, and it shows in instances like this.

Thanks to Becky Ornelas and Royce

Clay at City National Bank and Jan Lemons with Kiwanians for helping set up an account for donations for the classes into YouthReach, a new outreach focused on programs for the youth of Mitchell County.

Mr. West, Mr. Partin, Mrs. Thacker, Mrs. Reyna and Erin White at CHS were amazing and their helpfulness will not be forgotten. Many thanks for all the support from parents of the senior girls, Chief Roy "Tinker" Owens, Patrick Toombs, Kitten Arthur and Robbie Dewberry. It is greatly appreciated.

Thank you also to Colorado City Record and KVMC for taking time to cover the event; Ann Reed, Judge Harrison and Jonathan Hutson for all the great lead information and Lori Dockrey, Mark Merrell, Emily Strain and Glenda Wilson for volunteering for YouthReach. Our goal is that one day every person in our county has the opportunity to take this course.

God bless you all.
Janine Lemons

Letter to the Editor:

In regards to our city's lack of animal control as illustrated by Mr. Jimmy Huff's letter to the editor in last week's Record, I would like to make a few comments.

Mr. Huff is handicapped and confined to a walker or wheelchair, but states that he has been attacked by loose dogs. I, for one, find this completely unacceptable in this or any community.

Mr. Huff stated that if this situation continues, he was going to buy a BB gun and shoot them and be jailed for shooting a dog. A BB gun will only sting them and deter them only temporarily. A shot gun works much better.

I am not handicapped, but I am 83 years old and not as spry as I once was. If I am ever threatened or attacked by an animal, either four legs or two legs, I will do everything in my power to put that animal down. We have the legal right to protect our person or our property with lethal force if necessary.

If our animal control wardens were doing their job of controlling animals, this situation would not exist. I think it's about time for both of them to get out on the streets and start doing what us taxpayers are paying them to do.

Thank you,
Dan Dannheim

Letter to the Editor:

Once again we are just amazed at the continuous generosity of the businesses and people here in Colorado City. Although we are a small town and many local organizations depend on the donations of the businesses here, the store owners and employees always meet you with a smile and gladly give to the cause. The gift basket auction at First Baptist Church was a huge success.

Thanks to all of you who donated, the beautiful stained glass windows will be saved. Fuller Foods, What's In Store, Dragonfly, Colorado Floral, Sparks Trading Post, Family Dollar Store, Colorado Feed & Seed, Perkin's, C-City Printing & Office Supply, Alco, Wood's Boots, Ace Hardware, Delaine Hale and Shae White, you are a true blessing to our ministry. FBC thanks you all.

Romans 12:10-12
Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer.

Sincerely,
Blaine Lemons
& friends at FBC

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LOCAL NEWS

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refinance old debt and to finance the new debt the city is taking on in order to develop more water options. After putting the no-

tion of sale of out, Samco Capital Markets agreed to buy the bonds. After the selling of the bonds, the city will actually receive the

money on June 5. The refinancing of the old debt will shorten the payoff time by five years and will save the city approximately \$1.083 million over the course of nine years.

at buying the bonds, and Samco had also purchased insurance against default.

Dakan had a question about the statement in the bond sale paperwork saying the "fully registered notes" were issued in increments of multiples of \$5,000. Rosenberg assured her that the increments were the "normal way bonds are issued today."

The approval of the bond sale was unanimous on both the old and new debt.

Council members then went into a two hour plus executive session to discuss and possibly appoint a new city manager. After about an hour, council members went into the board room to place a call, according to Mayor Pro Tem Hiser.

After another hour or so, the council came back in and re-opened the meeting to take no action.

VOTE

4 and 6 up for election. The seats are currently held by Marcelo Alvarez Jr., Bobbie Banks and Bob Brookshear, respectively.

Only Brookshear and Alvarez filed for reelection, with Andrew Fuller filing to run against Brookshear in District 6. Dixie Rutherford and Ed Blake have both filed for the seat in District 4, as Banks did not file for reelection.

Amos Hale is the only citizen in Loraine that has filed in opposition of the three incumbents for a seat on the Loraine City Council. Seats held by Susan Sanchez, Scott Edmonds and Norma Perez are up for election. All three have filed for reelection along with Hale.

Both incumbents, David Alvarez and Ricky Bailey, have filed in the Loraine ISD school board race, along with David Carreon and Don Boyd.

All three positions for Westbrook City Council will be on the ballot on May 12th. The

seats are currently held by Mayor Ramiro Fuentes, Councilman Sue Hawley and Councilman Elida Fuentes.

All three have filed for reelection. Norman Harrell has filed to run against Mayor Fuentes for the position of Mayor and Sally Parker has filed for one of the city council positions.

All these positions will be on the May 12 ballot along with the new school bond in Loraine. Early voting in Loraine will take place weekdays only at the Loraine ISD Administration building April 30-May 8, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

COUNCIL

water development. Blessingame had some good news for council members about debt payments. The city will pay down \$5 million of debt in only eight years with the fixed low interest rate of the refinancing. The old debt refinancing will save the city \$1.2 million.

The motion made by Brookshear to approve the budget was seconded by Banks and the motion

passed unanimously.

Alvarez said that he would like for the new city manager, yet to be chosen, to look at freezing raises for all city employees. Baker reminded Alvarez that although merit raises were written into the budget, the raises do not have to be given. Blessingame said that the city manager would have the chance to look at that in October.

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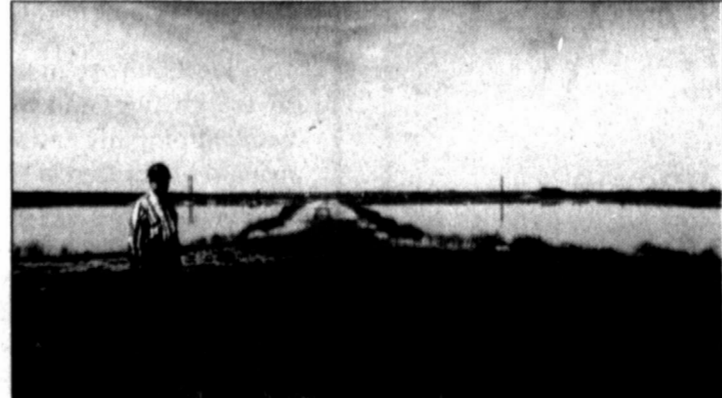
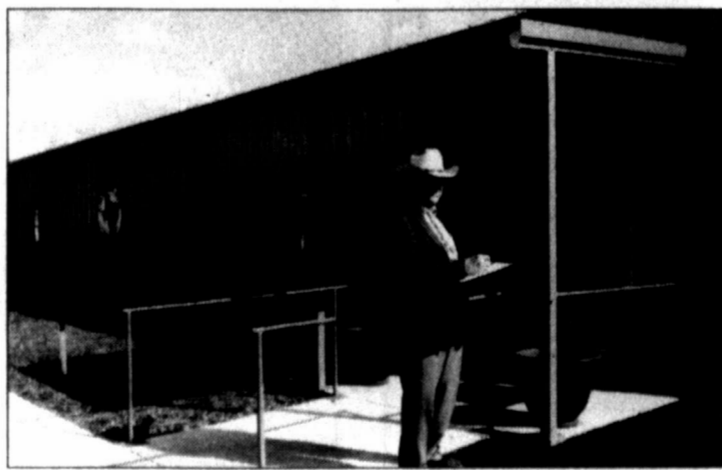
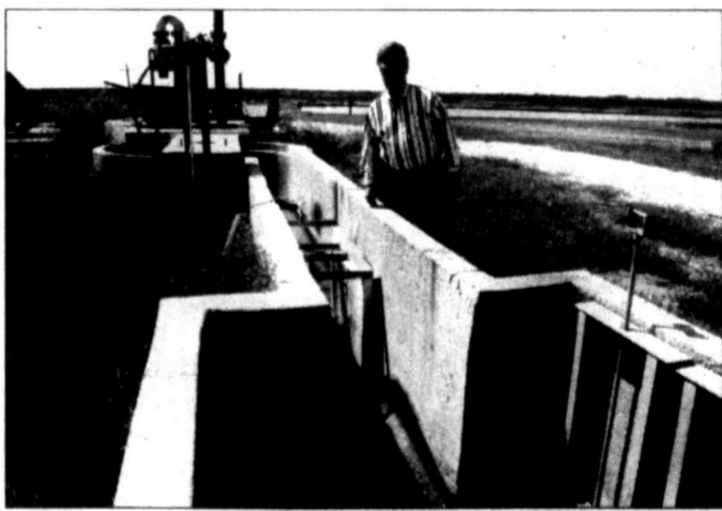
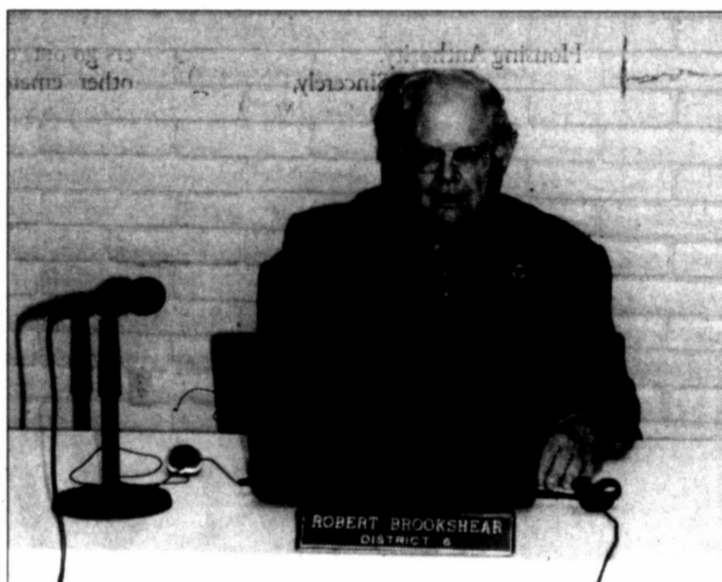
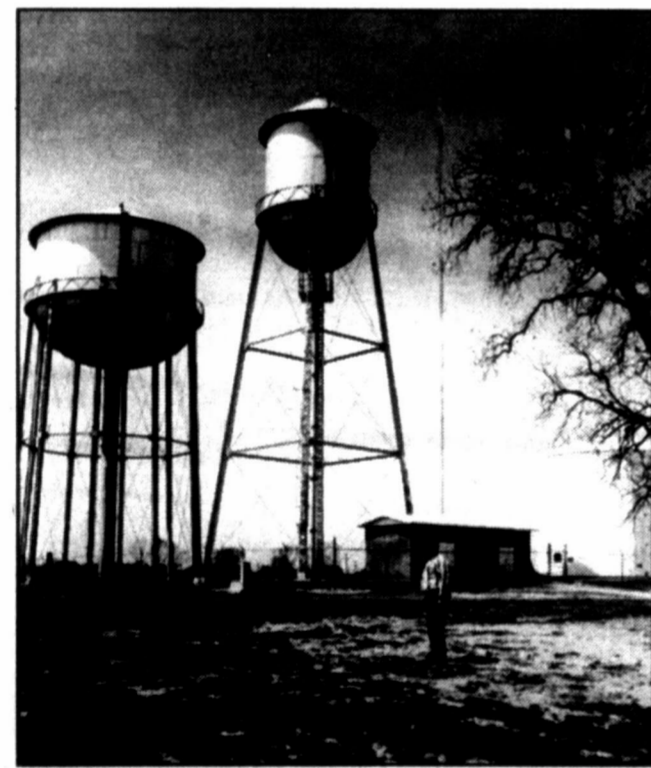
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SOME OF THE CITY ACCOMPLISHMENTS WHILE ON THE COUNCIL

- New Police Station
- Drive-by Water Meter Reading
- Improved Affordable Water Supply
- Improved Financial Stability
- Main Street Program Implementation
- Improved City Appearance With Dumpsters



SOME OF THE ON-GOING CITY IMPROVEMENTS AT THIS TIME

- TCEQ mandates easing
- Swimming Pool Renovations
- City Appearance Improved with Curb-Side Pick-Up and Demolition Programs
- Low Cost \$1.5 Million Revenue Bond
- Water Development
- Refinancing Long-Term Debt To Save Over \$900,000
- Landfill Life Extension by Changing to Class IV

PERSONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS

- Purchased and Renovated 4 Buildings in Downtown Colorado City
- Brought 5 Businesses into Main Street Area (2 more being organized)
- Kept One Business in Downtown

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT IN COLORADO CITY

- Lions Club - Served as President, Secretary / Treasurer, Various Board Positions; Currently One Year Director
- Keep Colorado City Beautiful - One of the Original Organizers; Organized and Administered the Home and Garden Show; Semi-Annual Clean-Up Participant
- Project Main Street - One Of the Original Organizers / Board Members; Currently Serves on the Economic Restructuring Committee
- First United Methodist Church - Regular Usher; Teacher; Men's Bible Class; Staff-Parish Relations Committee
- J.O. Dockery 4th of July Fly-In - Park Aircraft Upon Arrival, Greeter
- City Visioning Project - Business Incubator Lead

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

- Gulf States Utilities Company, Beaumont, TX -- 17 years
- Internal Audit - Evaluate Procedures and Internal Controls
- Rate Department - Identify and Evaluate Customer Usage Patterns for Rate Design
- Corporate Planning - Established Short Term (1-2 yr), Medium Term (3-5 yr), Intermediate Term (6-15 yr) and Long Term (15-30 yr) Planning Cycles. Included Developing Age-Cohort Population and Energy Usage Forecasting Models.
- Mitchell County Abstract Co., Colorado City, TX
- President/CEO 16 Years

FORMAL EDUCATION

- Bachelors of Business Administration -- Accounting, University of North Texas, Denton, TX
- Masters of Business Administration - Economics, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND



TEACHING, 6 1/2 YEARS

- University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND
- Personnel Management
- Lamar University, Beaumont, TX
- Business Statistics, Night Program

MILITARY SERVICE

- USAF Retiree, 28+ Years Service
- Active Duty, USAF, in Montana, Spain, England and North Dakota: Headquarters Command: USAF Auditor General, Staff Auditor and Resident Auditor
- US Air Forces Europe, Management Analysis Officer
- Strategic Air Command, Management Analysis Officer, Management Analysis and Budget Officer and Base Comptroller
- Texas Air National Guard, Nederland AFS, TX: AF Communications Command, 273rd Electronics Installation Squadron, Team Chief, Branch Chief

PERSONAL

- Born and Raised in Denton, TX
- Married Marilyn L. Godwin of Colorado City, TX
- Three Children: Judith L. Havens of Port Neches, TX (2 children) Robert Allen Brookshear of Mesquite, TX (1 child) Charles R. Brookshear of Phoenix, AZ, 1998 Graduate of Colorado High School

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LOCAL NEWS

Westbrook to play dirty on May 12

WVFD mud bog returns

The Westbrook Volunteer Fire Department loves the mud so much, members are holding two mud bogs this year! Members of the Westbrook VFD will present the Happy Mudder's Day Mud Bog at the Mitchell County Arena on Saturday, May 12. The organization will also hold the 4th Annual Mud Bog in September.

Registration begins at noon and ends at 4 p.m. Entry fee is \$30 per vehicle. Payout is 100%.

The mud starts flying at 5 p.m., and the fire department will have a concession stand on hand for spectators who get hungry or need refreshment during the event.

Cost to attend the mud bog will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under.

Reserved parking along the arena's fence will be available for \$25. Call Stacie's Creations at 728-2100 to reserve your spot today. Parking spots will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.

OIL AND GAS NEWS

Energen Resources Corp. has completed the No. 6344W North Westbrook Unit, 10 miles northwest of Colorado City. Perforations were from 2,932-3,205 feet in Section 14 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. has completed the No. 1308 North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. This well was completed to produce 70.8 barrels of 34.2 gravity oil with 140 barrels of water. Perforations were from 3001-3,058 feet in Section 1 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. has completed the No. 1502 North Westbrook Unit, 12 miles northwest of Colorado City. This well was completed to produce 17.6 barrels of 34.2 gravity oil with 214 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,986-3,116 feet in Section 3 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. has completed the No. 1504 North Westbrook Unit, 12 miles northwest of Colorado City. This well was completed to produce 16.8 barrels of 34.2 gravity oil with 52 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,952-3,037 feet in Section 3 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. has completed the No. 601 North Westbrook Unit, 12 miles northwest of Colorado City. This well was completed to produce 74.2 barrels of 34.2 gravity oil with 66 barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,030-3,190 feet in Section 3 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. has completed the No. 1812 North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. This well was completed to produce 15.2 barrels of 34.2 gravity oil with 74 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,871-3,099 feet in Section 1 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. has completed the No. 903 North Westbrook Unit, 3 miles south of Westbrook. This well was completed to produce 38.5 barrels of 34.2 gravity oil with 45 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,977-3,137 feet in Section 2 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 815 North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 2 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 2168 North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 10 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 2169 North Westbrook Unit,

11 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 10 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 2170 North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 10 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 4415 North Westbrook Unit, 12 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 16 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 4416 North Westbrook Unit, 12 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 16 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 4702 North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 15 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 4819 North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 15 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 4820 North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 15 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 5806 North Westbrook Unit, 12 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 16 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 2172W North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 10 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 2415W North Westbrook Unit, 10 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 11 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 3035W North Westbrook Unit, 10 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 12 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 1520W North Westbrook Unit, 12 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000

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Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 1522W North Westbrook Unit, 12 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 3 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 1523W North Westbrook Unit, 12 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 3 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 2159W North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado

City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 10 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Energen Resources Corp. will drill the No. 2160W North Westbrook Unit, 11 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, the drill site is located in section 10 of Block 28 of the T&P RR survey.

Sharp Image Energy, Inc. will drill the No. 2 EZJ 26A wildcat, 10.5 miles south of Westbrook. Planned for a depth of 6,800 feet, the drill site is located in Section 26 of Block 19 of the LN Co. Survey.



FOR MANY YEARS OF SERVICE... Keep Colorado City Beautiful President Ed Blake presents Marge Kolman a plaque in appreciation of her years of volunteer work for KCCB. Photo courtesy of Ed Blake.

KCCB honors Kolman for years of service

Keep Colorado City Beautiful members gathered for their monthly meeting Thursday, April 26 to say farewell to one of their members.

Marge Kolman was presented a plaque in appreciation of her years of volunteer work. She was the driving force behind the Yard-of-the-Month program. She drove the streets of Colorado City and awarded citizens for making a visual difference in their neighborhoods and for the city as a whole.

She was also instrumental in the creation of disc golf which was brought to Ruddick Park and is enjoyed today. She brought a refreshing positive attitude to every endeavor she worked.

"Her presence will be missed and we wish her happiness in her new ventures in Abilene," said KCCB member Julie Erwin.

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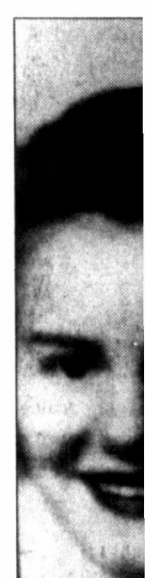
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By Chrysta Westbrook

Hello again I will give you news of neighbors at Westbrook.

Teresa M. home last week Medical Center well and as must do any hospital stay doing it at praying for recovery for

We spoke with Smith the heart surgeon They did a week and he Bobbie said through son tors say he is



Local 70th

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WESTBROOK WANDERINGS

**By Chrystal Jaimes
Westbrook Correspondent**

Hello again from Westbrook! I will give you all some uplifting news on a couple of our neighbors and dear friends of Westbrook.

Teresa Matlock got to come home last week from Hendrick Medical Center. She is healing well and as we all know if we must do any recovering from a hospital stay, it's always better doing it at home. Let's keep praying for a full and healthy recovery for Mrs. Matlock.

We spoke with Bobbie Nell Smith the other day and Jr.'s heart surgery went very well. They did a triple bi-pass last week and he is now recovering. Bobbie said he will have to go through some therapy, but doctors say he is doing well. Amen

for this too! ***
Congratulations to the Sumners! I learned this weekend that one of our new families in Westbrook, who many know as Coach Sumners and Mrs. Anna Sumners are on the path of adoption. This process is a bit time consuming and very exciting.

I know how excited the Sumners are going into this new parenthood journey, so I ask all in our community, family, friends, friends of friends and

just everyone to please keep this family in your prayers. We all know the joys of parenthood and we are excited you will be joining it soon!

Notice
There will be a box set up at Buck's Cafe for anyone wishing to donate canned goods for the "Meals on Wheels" program. We want to help! My daughter, Vydellia Jaimes, a freshman this year, will be donating her time and efforts collecting goods for a credited high school commu-

nity service project.
Please call us at the café at 325-644-5222, if you wish for her to come by and pick up any items you wish to donate. Remember they must be non-perishable items. Thank you.

BIRTHS



Kathleen and Doug Krone and Alan Neel are excited to announce the birth of their granddaughter, Lillie Dawn Neel.

Sabrina Neel gave birth to Lillie on April 15, 2012, in San Angelo. She weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Juneteenth celebration planned in Ruddick

Are you ready for a community-wide barbeque that is free to the public? If you answered yes, then get ready to mark your

calendars.
The annual Juneteenth Celebration will be held again this year in Ruddick Park. The whole community is invited to help celebrate the meaning of Juneteenth by coming together for a huge, free barbeque dinner with all the trimmings and some entertainment, too.

On Saturday, June 16, everyone is welcome to come out to Ruddick Park and join the festivities. Anyone with questions or anyone wishing to donate should contact Donald Emerson at 806-548-8038.



Wayne and Lenetta DuBose

Local couple to celebrate 70th wedding anniversary

Wayne and Lenetta DuBose will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on Saturday, May 12 from 2 - 4 p.m. in the Presbyterian Church of Colorado City. Wayne and Lenetta were married on May 9th, 1942.

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A Message From State Representative Charles Perry, House District 83

I would not normally respond to personal attacks and half-truths, but this matter involves innocent people that do not deserve to be placed in a state of fear and confusion about their retirement. I have had many meetings with educators (retired and current) and this is my second attempt in writing to set the record straight.

As a husband to a career educator, who will soon join the ranks of retired teachers, and as a father to a Texas Tech graduate with a degree in education, my perspective on the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) spans both ends of the spectrum. My wife will retire in May of this year and statistically, it is very likely she will draw from TRS longer than she contributed to it. On the other end of the spectrum, if my daughter chooses to pursue teaching she deserves to draw from the same plan. As a legislator, I have to have the political will necessary to make sure the plan will be there when this generation and future generations retire. Further, I have a moral obligation to honor the commitments we make, not just in regards to TRS, but also in matters of public safety, infrastructure, mental health, indigent care, and all other areas of the budget. This is no easy task, but it is my job to find the balance that honors these obligations and it is one I do not take lightly.

Recently, I was named as an "enemy" to teachers and TRS during an "informal" forum held in Brownfield. This is not an isolated event and, since the beginning of session I have been working to correct misinformation that is out there. Those that have taken the time to meet with me and discuss their opinions and concerns have discovered that my position on TRS has been consistent. I am a CPA by profession and I have witnessed the demise of many defined benefit plans during my thirty years of practice. This remains one of the biggest challenges for state and local governments across the country.

We are fortunate to have a system in Texas that has performed well. During the TRS Board of Trustees meeting in Lubbock this past February a "TRS Legislative Study Overview" was distributed which gave a comprehensive overview of the fund. It indicated that currently the plan is 83% funded and should remain actuarially sound through 2075. In past years, modifications have been made to the plan to eliminate policies that would have threatened the longevity of the fund; namely, lump-sum, pension spiking, and age/service rules. The reality is that we are living longer and have to remain diligent in our efforts to manage the plan. As legislators, our task is to make sure that the plan reflects the economic realities of the day. For example, age and service requirements are an area that should be monitored on a regular basis.

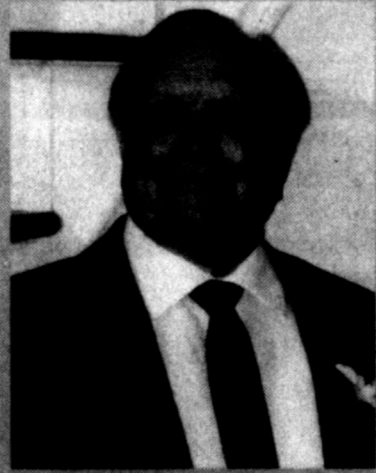
Unfortunately, there are groups in Austin that are proposing conversion to a defined contribution plan and the best defense against this is a strong defined benefit plan. This has been my philosophy since day one. I support, and will continue to support, the current defined benefit plan. The rhetoric being disseminated doesn't match up to the facts, but my actions do:

- I co-authored House Bill 3542, which would have given retired educators a "13th check" if investment performance met certain conditions. This would have helped them to weather the current economic climate since they don't receive automatic cost-of-living adjustments. The TRS pension fund has improved dramatically over the past fiscal year and this year. With the protections provided by the bill, the pension fund could afford to provide a supplemental payment without harming the fund.
- I am on written record with both the Texas Classroom Teachers Association (TCTA) and the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) supporting a viable defined benefit plan. My answers to their 2012 Candidate Questionnaires will be available on their websites.
- I am working with Lege. Council to draft a bill for next session that would have Texas equal to or above the federal Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI) match that a private sector employer has for their employees. It only makes sense that a teacher should be on the same contribution rate that a private sector employee would be.
- Big picture, the competition for state dollars is fierce. Our public school system was appropriated approximately \$34 billion from the General Revenue Fund. Health and Human Services received approximately \$24 billion and is moving at warp speed to consume more and more. I spent most of my session working on healthcare and Medicaid reforms, with an emphasis on the delivery of those services for today and the future. If we do not manage the health care delivery system, education will continue to be on the defense. I feel as though I can advocate for education by using my skills as a CPA to make sure that all areas of the budget are operating as efficiently as possible.

In politics, especially during campaign season, you have to ask yourself if the facts line up with the rhetoric. Even more importantly, remember to ask yourself if you have spoken with the candidate. Hidden agendas are rampant in this environment and the truth is often buried under misinformation. I look forward to as many meetings as required to clear up any misunderstandings. On several occasions I have had joint meetings with both current and retired teachers and hope to have that opportunity in my new counties. As a note, I am a very detailed speaker and have been told that I give too much information, so I will take responsibility for any confusion that arises from that. It can't be emphasized enough that I feel strongly about the importance of this issue and am willing to speak to anyone that would like to speak to me.

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SCHOOL NEWS

CHS band holds concert; year-end awards given

Last Sunday the Colorado High School Band held their spring concert and some band students were recognized for their outstanding work ethic and dedication to the band. Results follow.

Three seniors were awarded the Outstanding Senior Award: Tucker French, Alyssa

Bonner and Damian Davila. Amanda Griffin received the Outstanding Junior Award, Ashlyn Kildow was named the Outstanding Sophomore and Jonathan Castillo received the Outstanding Freshman award.

The Most Improved Band Member award went to both Tabbatha Angelo and Tony Rees, and Tara Higgins received the Outstanding Auxiliary Member award.

Members of the French horn section, Dylan Billingsley and Ann Marie Morrison, received the Outstanding Marching Section award.

The percussion section was chosen as the Outstanding Concert Section. Members of the percussion section are Tabbatha Angelo, Jonathan Blassingame, Alyssa Bonner, Damian Davila, Tucker French, Sarena Lujan, Michael Molina, Tony Rees, Alex Salinas and Jaci Smith.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK... Hutchinson Elementary's Students of the Week are Elora Bonilla, Alexis Eime and John Vanderpool. Photo courtesy of Kitten Arthur.

Hutchinson announces Students of the Week

Students of the Week at Hutchinson Elementary are Elora Bonilla, Alexis Eime and John Vanderpool.

Elora is a 3rd grader in Mrs. Toombs' class. She enjoys spending time with her dog, Bella, and learning new stuff is her favorite

thing about Hutchinson. Math and science are her favorite subjects.

Alexis is a 4th grader in Ms. Martinez's class. She enjoys spending time with her dog, Bo, and playing catch with her sister. Alexis' favorite thing about

Hutchinson is recess.

John is a 5th grader in Mrs. Wulfjen's class. Science is her favorite subject and the teachers are her favorite thing about Hutchinson. She enjoys playing outside and going fishing as hobbies.

Loraine ISD honor rolls are released for 6 weeks

Loraine ISD has released the list of students on the A and A/B honor rolls for the fifth six-weeks of the school year.

A Honor Roll

1st grade: Kristen Gomez, Mia Wallace, Davion Walthall

2nd grade: Taylim Cooper, Sarah Lambaren, Campsey Morris, Raelon Walthall

4th grade: Christian Sanchez

7th grade: Seattle Jackson

8th grade: Brilee Young

11th grade: Samatha Thomson, Alissa Womack

12th grade: Ebony Clemon, Brandon Gibson, Catelyn Johnston

A/B Honor Roll

1st grade: Cyrus Lopez, Kriatina Martinez

2nd grade: Adriana Briseno, Arionna Briseno, Cameron Garza, Jayden Horne, Casein

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3rd grade: Fette Jackson

4th grade: John Seth Chaney, Jessie Mallion

5th grade: Nadia Gonzels, Layton Mosher, William Smith

6th grade: Jesus DeLeon, Tucker Harris, Dylan Phillips

8th grade: Gaige Carlson, Christopher Olivarez, Crystal Olivarez

9th grade: Dusty Dawson, Madison Edmonds, Madeline Gibson

10th grade: Esteban Benavamondez, Carson Edmonds, Timothy Garza, Tristan Mosher

11th grade: Till Siebert

12th grade: Ariel Bailey, Celia Rico

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SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL MENUS

Kelley, Hutchinson, HeadStart Breakfast Menu

May 7-11
 Monday – dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Tuesday – pancakes, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Wednesday – waffles, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Thursday – scrambled eggs, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Friday – sausage, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Kelley, Hutchinson, HeadStart Lunch Menu

May 7-11
 Monday – pizza, green beans, glazed carrots, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Tuesday – grilled ham and cheese, tater tots, pickle spears, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Wednesday – chicken pot pie, mashed potatoes, hot rolls, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Thursday – tacos, tossed salad,

spicy pintos, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Friday – wolf cheeseburger, French fries, pickle cup, cookies, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Colorado Middle School Breakfast Menu

May 7-11
 Monday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Tuesday – dry cereal, biscuit, waffles, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday – dry cereal, biscuit, pancake on a stick, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday – dry cereal, biscuit, breakfast Hot Pocket, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Friday – dry cereal, biscuit, egg & potato burritos, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Colorado High School Lunch Menu

May 7-11
 Monday – dry cereal, biscuit, sau-

sage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, waffles & syrup, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, Hot Pocket, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, pancake on a stick, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, potato & egg burrito, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

CMS & CHS Lunch Menu

May 7-11
 Monday – pizza, tater tots, fresh veggies, dip, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday – chicken fajitas, tortilla, refried beans, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday – chicken fried steak, potatoes & gravy, sweet peas, hot rolls, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday – soft taco, tossed salad, spicy pintos, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Friday – cheeseburger on a bun, French fries, lettuce cup, cookie, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Loraine ISD Breakfast Menu

May 7-11
 Monday – French toast, cereal, juice, syrup, milk.

Tuesday – scrambled eggs, toast, cereal, milk.

Wednesday – breakfast pizza, juice, cereal, milk.

Thursday – Uncrustable, cereal, apple, milk.

Friday – muffins, sausage, cereal, juice, milk.

Loraine ISD Lunch Menu

May 7-11
 Monday – corndog, mustard, western beans, carrot dippers, ranch, sparkly apple, pudding, milk.

Tuesday – crispy fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit jello, hot roll, milk.

Wednesday – nacho grande, salsa, salad, orange smiles, Spanish rice, cinnamon sugar cookie, milk.

Thursday – chili cheese potato, carrot dippers, ranch, fresh fruit cup, Texas toast, milk.

Friday – pepperoni pizza, broccoli florets, seasoned corn, rosy applesauce, milk.

Westbrook ISD Breakfast Menu

May 7-11
 Monday – sausage, biscuit, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

Tuesday – egg & cheese burrito, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

Wednesday – scrambled eggs, sausage, cereal, applesauce, juice, milk.

Thursday – pancakes, syrup, Cocoa Puffs, fruit, juice, milk.

Friday – cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

Westbrook ISD Lunch Menu

May 7-11
 Monday – hamburger steak, brown gravy, sweet peas, mashed potatoes, fruit, milk.

Tuesday – chicken fried steak, gravy, roll, mashed potatoes, green beans, strawberry shortcake, milk.

Wednesday – soft chicken fajita, tacos with cheese, corn, pinto beans, lettuce, fruit, milk.

Thursday – cheeseburger, baby carrots, ranch, tater tots, lettuce, pickles, fruit, milk.

Friday – sack lunches, ham & cheese sandwich, chips, apple, cookies, milk.



4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING – Mitchell County 4-H Livestock Judging Contestants (l-r) Kynzie Hardegree, Keifer Holman, Kalynn Hardegree, Hadley Redwine, Allison Torres, Kyler Hardegree, Trey Beavers and Josh Hardesty, competed in the district livestock judging contest on the Texas Tech campus in Lubbock recently. Photo courtesy of Tammy Hardegree.

4-Hers compete in livestock judging

The 2012 South Plains-District 2 4-H Livestock Judging Contest was held Saturday, April 21, at the Texas Tech Animal Science Department on Texas Tech Campus in Lubbock. Mitchell County 4-H was well represented in all age divisions of the contest.

The Mitchell County Junior Team was composed of Trey Beavers, Joshua Hardesty and Hadley Redwine. Josh Hardesty placed 10th High Individual in Beef. Hadley Redwine was 7th High Individual in Swine and 19th High Individual in Sheep and Goats. Josh Hardesty was 18th High Placing Individual out of 52 4-Hers that participated. This team was 9th High Team in Beef, 11th High Team in Swine and 8th High Team in Sheep and Goats. This junior team finished 9th overall in Beef, 11th overall in Swine, and 8th overall in Sheep and Goats

and was 9th Place High Team Overall in the Jr. Division. These 4-Hers had never participated in this contest.

In the Intermediate Division, the Mitchell County team was made up of Kynzie Hardegree, Kyler Hardegree, Keifer Holman and Allison Torres. Kyler Hardegree was 7th High Individual and Keifer Holman was 9th High Individual in Sheep and Goats. Kynzie Hardegree placed as 14th High Individual in Swine and 16th High Individual in Sheep and Goats and was 24th Overall High Individual out of 66 contestants. This team placed 1st in Sheep and Goats, 9th in Swine and 14th in Beef. The Intermediate Team was 10th place overall at this year's contest.

Kalynn Hardegree participated as an individual in the Senior Division of this contest. Kalynn was 21st Place High Individual overall out of a field of 41 senior

contestants. The livestock judging coach for the 2012 judging season was George Hardegree. The Mitchell County 4-H Parent Leaders Association sponsored the lodging for this event.


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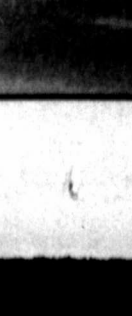
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SPORTS

Familiar names top list at CHS 2012 sports banquet

The Colorado Middle School cafeteria was all abuzz Monday night as Colorado High School held their annual All-Sports Banquet. With the exception of the high school baseball and softball teams, who are still in the playoffs, the coaches from all the sports honored their brightest and best.

Though the coaches may have saved the best for last, let's get to the heart of the matter. The 2012 Spirit Award went to Nese Braziel.

According to Coach Anita Graham, Braziel was the very definition of team spirit during the year.

This year's outstanding female athlete was an award which required two plaques, as the honor was shared by Lauran Meeks and Miranda Reyna. Meeks also took the defensive player award for the girls basketball team and Reyna took the offensive award.

The outstanding male athlete award was also shared by two players. Derek Gainey and Jason Rodriguez walked up together to pick this one up from Coach Johnson with thunderous applause echoing through the cafeteria. Gainey was also named the basketball team's offensive MVP, while Rodriguez was tapped as the defensive MVP.

Coach Anita Graham named Sydney Upshaw the offensive MVP for the volleyball team, while Kaley Molina and Tara Higgins shared the defensive honors. The team MVP was a shared award, going to Heather Merket and Huntlyr Messick.

When Coach B.J. Graham took the microphone to award his powerlifting team, he said Ramiro Reyes could not be there, but he wondered out loud if Reyes

might have fooled him, just to get a little time in the weight room.

Either way, Reyes was awarded the outstanding power lifter award, even in his absence. Colorado City's other state qualifier, Darian Lendermon, was also recognized. Lendermon was given the power award.

The boys track team's mile relay team, consisting of Gainey, Mark Henderson, Jacob Rizo and Nathan Jackson, were named the MVP's in the sport.

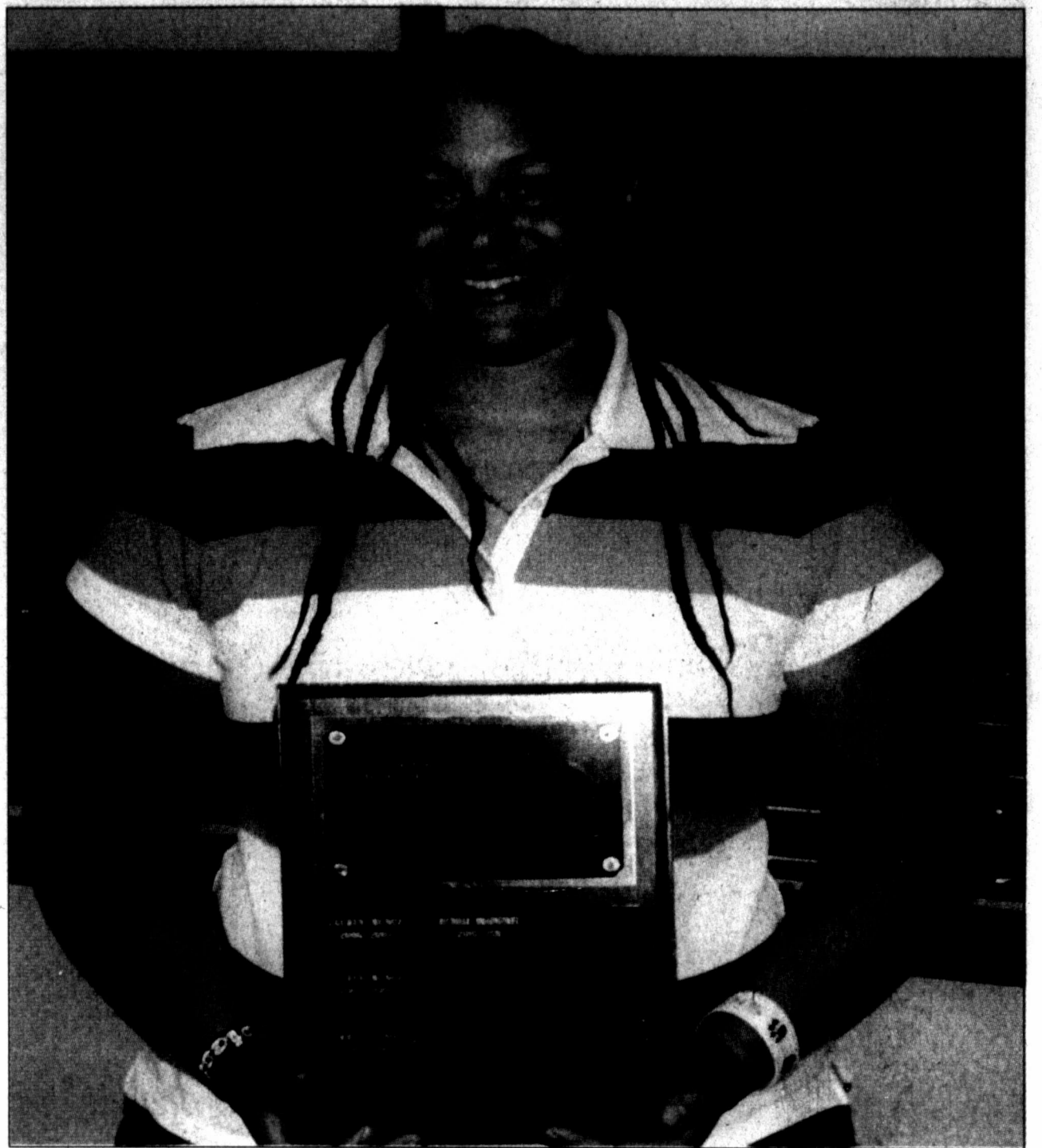
Girls golf saw Mason Maddox take the most improved player award, while McKenzie Kimball and Griffith shared the MVP honors.

Bailey Spencer was the most improved player on the boys' team, while Tyler Hammond was the MVP.

Not present at the awards was tennis player Heather Barrera. She was named MVP.

The football team had several positions to hand out awards in and they are as follows:

- Outstanding O-lineman - Anthony Rivera
- Outstanding D-lineman - Ryan Rivera, Jaime Espinosa
- Outstanding O-back - Nathan Jackson, David Sanchez
- Outstanding D-back - Jason Rodriguez
- Outstanding wide receiver - Tylor Lorenz, Jason Rodriguez
- Fighting heart award - Rafael Gonzalez, Tyler Hammond
- E-Award - Corbin Castillo
- Offensive MVP - Derek Gainey
- Defensive MVP - Jake Johnson, Alex Hernandez



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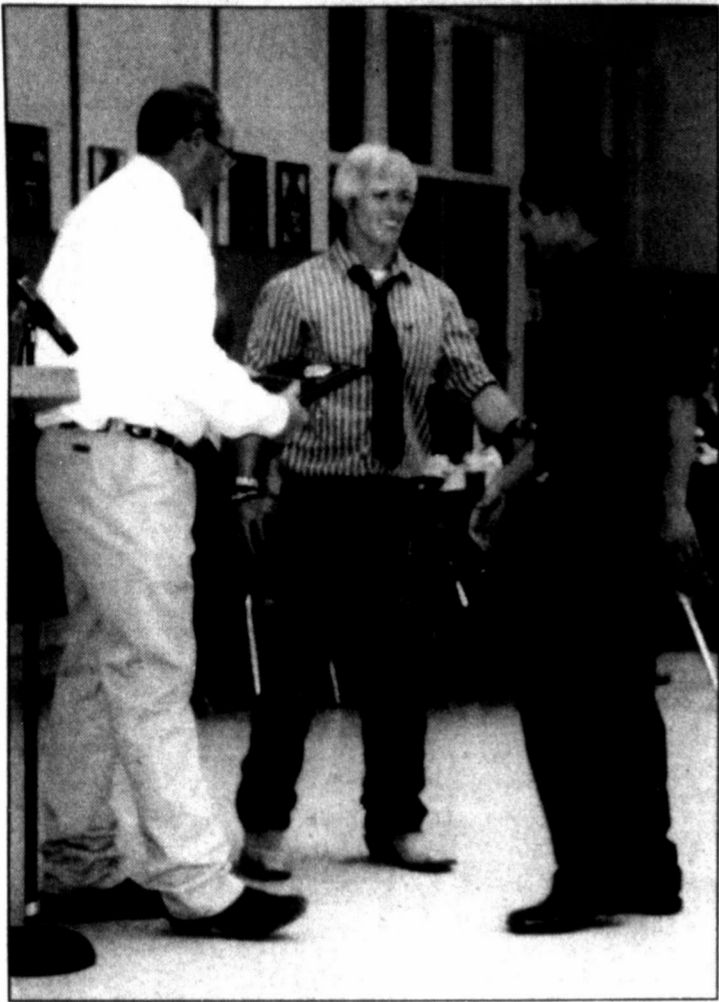
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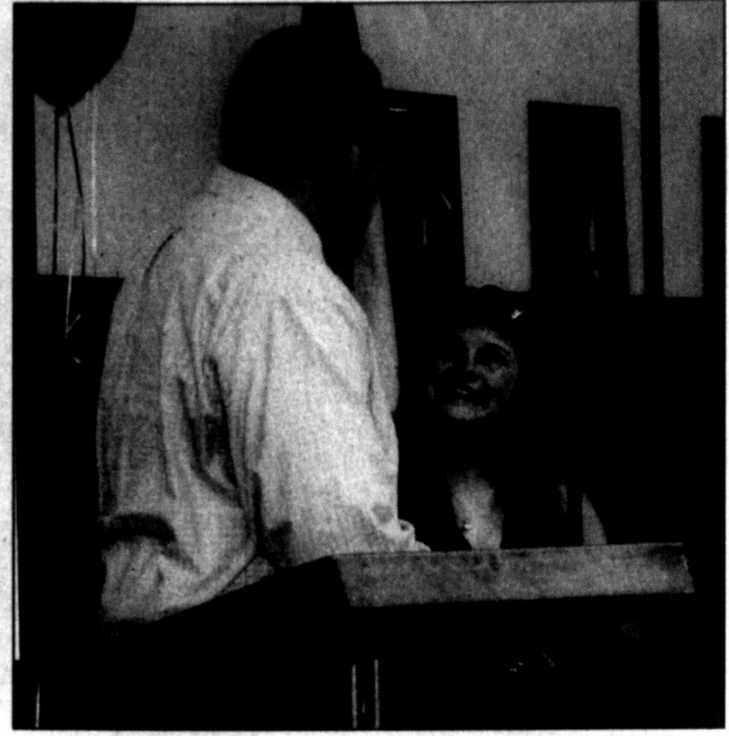
CISD 2011-2012 sports banquet awards dinner



OUTSTANDING MALE ATHLETES — Coach Johnson splits the award between Derek Gainey (center) and Jason Rodriguez (right).



OUTSTANDING FEMALE ATHLETES — The award needed to be split between Miranda Reyna (left) and Lauran Meeks.



THE POWER AWARD — Coach Graham gives the award to Darian Lendermon for a path which took her to state this year in power lifting.



OUTSTANDING WIDE RECEIVER AWARD — Coach Johnson splits the award between David Sanchez (left) and Nathan Jackson.



COACH ANITA GRAHAM AND THE VOLLEYBALL TEAM — Coach Graham brought the entire volleyball team up to be recognized before naming Sydney Upshaw as the offensive MVP, Kaley Molina and Tara Higgins as the defensive MVP's and Herther Merket and Lauran meeks as the co-Team MVP's.



THE FANTASTIC FIVE — From left to right, the five starters from the boys basketball team were Benny Jones, Bailey Spencer, Derek Gainey, Jason Rodriguez and Tylor Lorenz. The boys took turns, at the microphone to thank their teammates and wish the upcoming players a prosperous future.



STAR STUDDED FOOTBALL TEAM — From left to right, Jason Rodriguez (Outstanding D-back, wide receiver), Tylor Lorenz (Outstanding wide receiver), Anthony Rivera (Outstanding O-Lineman), Ryan Rivera (Outstanding D-lineman), Tyler Hammond (Outstanding receiver, Fighting Heart), Derek Gainey (Offensive MVP) and Bailey Spencer.



DYNAMIC DUO — Coach Anita Graham (left) hands Tara Higgins her award from the volleyball team for co-Defensive MVP. Standing between them is the other recipient of the award, Kaley Molina. The Offensive MVP was Sydney Upshaw (right)

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THE LADY WOLVES are the District Champions and are headed into the playoffs! Team members are: (back row, l-r) Casie Miller, Nese Braziel, Taegen Harris, Desiree Martinez, Shelby Cogburn, Shyana Baugh, Sydney Ushaw, Cassie Sutton, Raegan Costabile; (front row) Haley Maxwell, Hope Sanchez, Miranda Reyna, Alicia Redwine, Olivia Luera, Shylowe Honeycutt, Ann Marie Morrison, and Whitney Ortiz.

**ONE GAME
SERIES**
GAME TIME:
Thursday,
May 3
7 p.m.
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WOLVES VS. CRANE



THE COLORADO CITY WOLVES baseball team is heading into the playoffs. Team members are: (back row, l-r) Coach Kevin Wright, Tylor Lorenz, Ryan Rivera, Josh Sutton, Rylan Gardner, Corbin Castillo, Blaine Proctor, Jake Johnson, Coach Brantlee Lemons; (front row) Dillon Gainey, David Sanchez, Nick Perez, Jonathon "Pip" Jackson, Jason Rodriguez, Gustavo Silva and Derek Gainey. Anthony Rivera and Alex Hernandez are not pictured. Photo courtesy of Tammy Johnson.

**THREE GAME
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Game 2
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Game 3 following,
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Good Luck LADY WILDCATS in the Playoffs!



AND THE GOLDEN GLOVE goes to... the Westbrook Lady Wildcats. The district champions brought home the award after their victory over Ira. Team members are: (back row, l-r) Coach Fuller, Courtney Stinson, Bailey Sprague, Alex Nobles, Jasmine Alaniz, Katy Forbes, Sarah Andrews, Coach Summers, Koe Alvarez, Chelsey Lamb, Madison Anderson; (front row) K. Morris, Nikki Conley, Chelsea Martinez, Alex Vigil and ReAnna Krapf. Photo courtesy of Sandra Sullivan.

Good Luck in the Playoffs!

Lady Wildcats vs. Miles

Game 1 - Thurs., May 3, 6 p.m. - Abilene Christian University

Game 2 - Sat., May 5, 5 p.m. - Jim Ned High School

Game 3 - 7 p.m. same day, if necessary

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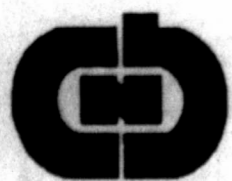
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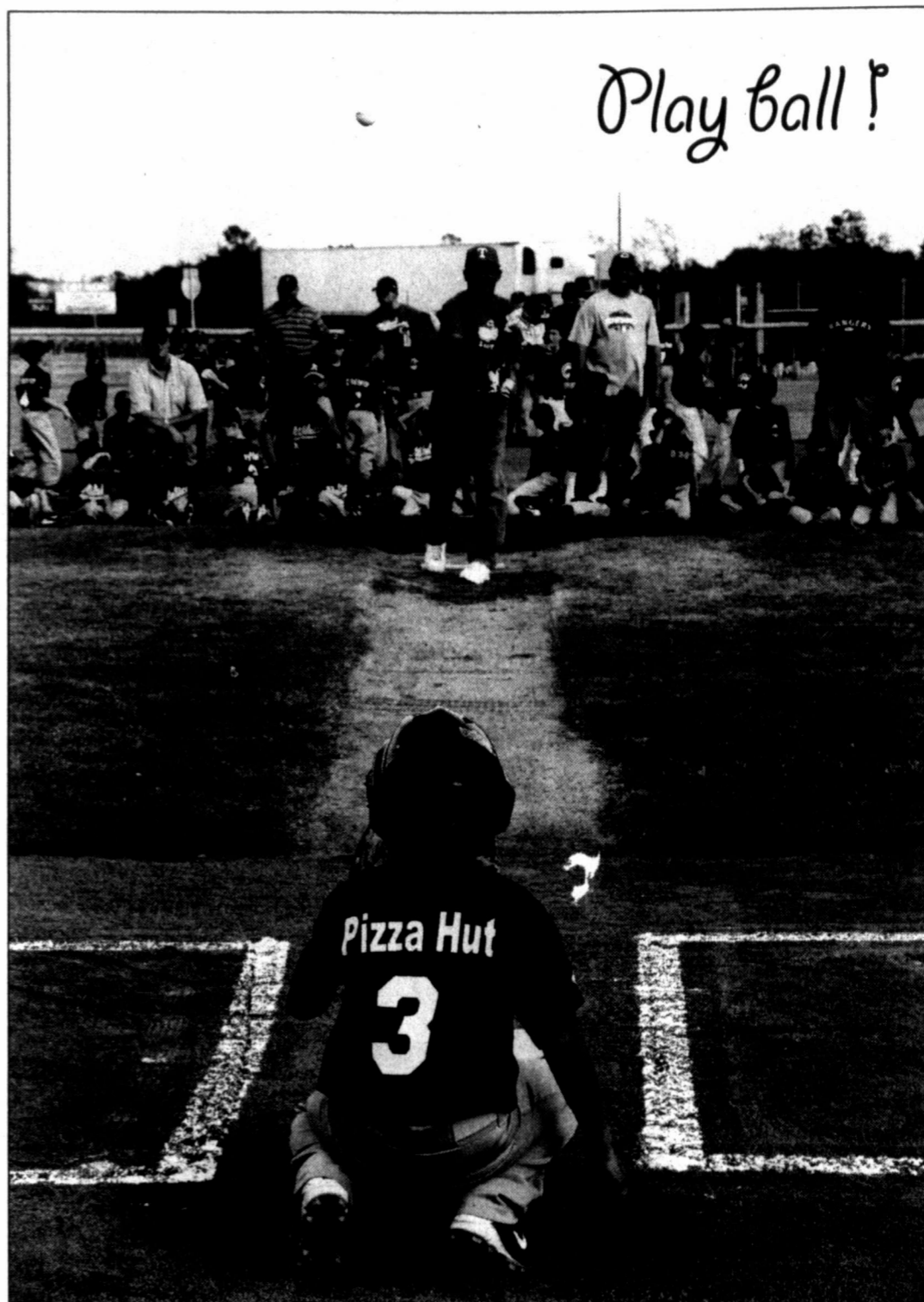
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PLAY BALL.... David Silva threw the first pitch at the Texas Teenage League's opening ceremonies at the Sports Complex Monday evening. The ceremonies kicked off the season's baseball action. Photo courtesy of Lisa Wood.

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Sports briefs

The Mitchell County Youth Baseball Junior League will be accepting sign-ups for players aged 12-15, through May 5. The sheets can be picked up at Wood's Boots.

Wolf Creek Golf Course is hosting the popular ABCD Scramble each Thursday at 6 p.m. Players must notify the pro shop by 5:30 on Thursdays.

The District Champion Lady Wolves softball team will play Idalou, Thursday in Snyder. The One-Game Series will begin at 8 p.m.

The Wolves baseball team will play Crane on Friday, May 4 in Snyder for Game 1 of a 3-Game Series. The game starts at 7:30 p.m. Games 2 and possibly 3 will be played Saturday, May 5, starting at 1 p.m.

The Westbrook Lady Wildcats will play Miles Thursday at ACU at 6 p.m. Game 2 and Game 3 (if necessary) will be played Saturday at Jim Ned, with Game 2 starting at 5 p.m.

The Colorado City Bass Club will meet on Thursday, May 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the First National Bank meeting room.

Mitchell County Girls Softball Association teams are involved in ongoing play at Ruddick Park.

Texas Teenage Baseball League kicked off their baseball action for the summer with opening ceremonies Monday night. Teams will be playing at the Sports Complex throughout the season.

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LOCAL NEWS

Wildfire risk application available online

Officials with Texas Forest Service and The Texas A&M University System gathered with state lawmakers Friday morning to unveil new web applications that will help homeowners and communities determine wildfire risk — and take measures to mitigate potential hazards.

Wildfires scorched almost 4 million acres across the state last year, destroying nearly 3,000 homes. Texas Forest Service officials say the new web applications will arm Texans with the tools they need to reduce threats from future blazes.

"Making a fundamental difference in the lives of students in the Texas A&M University System is something we try to do every day," said John Sharp, chancellor of the Texas A&M System. "But today we hope to make a difference in the lives of all Texans with this TxWRAP

program from the Texas Forest Service."

Texas Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal, or TxWRAP, allows users to identify wildfire threats for a particular area based on landscape characteristics, historical fire occurrence, weather conditions, terrain and potential fire behavior. It also routes users to resources that can help them implement wildfire prevention practices.

Accessible at texaswildfirerisk.com, the applications are free to use. Professional users such as civic planners, wildland fire managers and elected officials can use TxWRAP to generate a report packaging all the wildfire risk data for their community. Such a tool can be useful in defining mitigation options, allocating resources and prioritizing programs that will better protect communities.

Developed by Texas Forest Service GIS specialists, TxWRAP is the first web portal of its kind in the nation granting public access to risk assessment data that previously hasn't been readily available, particularly in a user-friendly format.

Texas Forest Service Director Tom Boggus called the website a "holistic approach to Texans helping Texans mitigate their wildfire risk."

"This can and should be a 'game changer' for Texans as they learn what their risks are and how to mitigate them," Boggus said. "It is a tool that neighbors can pass on to neighbor, making Texas a safer place to live."

Texas Senators Kirk Watson and Royce West have committed their support to the project.

"During a January interim hearing of the Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations,

my colleagues and I were excited to hear about the Texas Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal," West said. "This website will enable homeowners, civic leaders, community planners, elected officials and others to identify the risk wildfire poses to their communities. Developed by Texas Forest Service, this tool empowers Tex-

ans to be able to better protect their homes and property."

Watson added, "The devastating fires in Central Texas last fall revealed how we need strong collaboration between local, county and state officials. This new

Wildfire Risk Assessment Tool furthers the potential for this critical collaboration in disaster management and risk assessment. It's an important resource for Texans to plan, protect and act."

Quilt Show set for May 12th

The West Texas Art Guild will host "Texas Stitches" Quilt Show in Colorado City, May 12th, at the Colorado City Civic Center.

Deadline to enter is April 23rd, and entry forms are available at the Big Spring Education Employees Credit Union on Hickory Street in Colorado City and Nana Bear's Quilt Shop & Granny Faye's Closet, both on the square in Snyder.

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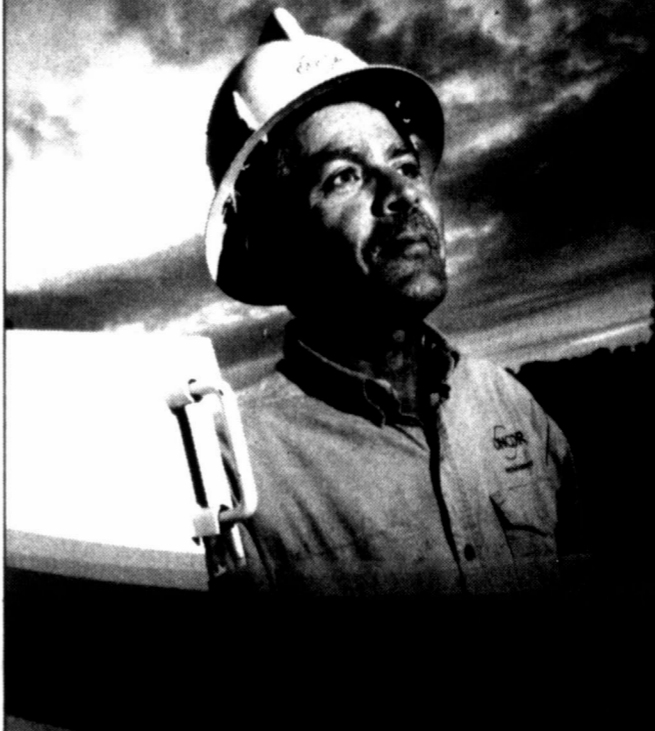


SHOWING PIGS... Colorado FFA's Blaine Proctor placed 9th with his cross barrow at the San Antonio Stock Show. He is seen here with FFA sponsor Robin Senter and John Senter. Photo courtesy of Robin Senter.

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BID NOTICES

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Trade Contractor and Supplier Proposals for the construction of Mitchell County Jail and Law Enforcement Center in Colorado City, Texas will be received by the Construction Manager, SEDALCO INC. via facsimile, mail or e-mail until 4:00 p.m. local time on Thursday, May 17, 2012. Phone number 817-831-2245, Fax Number 817-831-2248.
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BID NOTICES

cessories (R18C061)
3. P.E. and Athletic Equipment and Supplies (R18C062)
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Bid forms are available from Frank Gomez, Region 18 ESC, P.O. Box 60580, Midland, TX 79711. Please send an email request to fgomez@esc18.net. The forms, along with instructions, can also be downloaded and printed from the Region 18 ESC website at www.esc18.net. The "Printable Forms" link is located under the Public Information drop-down menu.

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Specifications can be obtained from the School Business Office, 1132 Hickory Street, Colorado City, Texas, or by calling (325) 728-5312.
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Shelia Redwine
Business Manager
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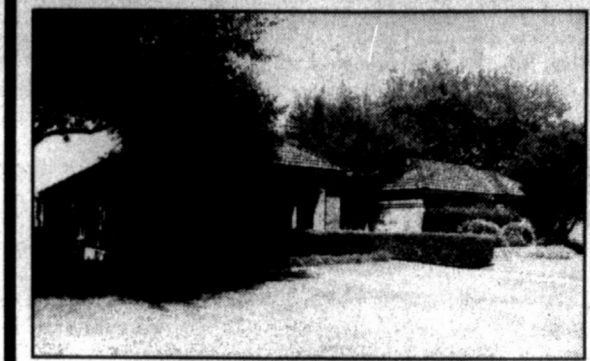
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Green Tree Servicing LLC fka, Green Tree Financial Servicing Corp, Kim Goetz Vice President to Henry Castillo, Maria Olga Castillo, Real Estate Note.

Blue Ladies Minerals Inc., Seton Fund of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent DePaul, Pamela Giblin Partner, Charles Scarborough Exec Dir, RCTPX Ltd, Mineral Deed.

Gideon Annan VP, U.S. Bank NA Ttee, GSMPs Mortgage Loan Trust, Wells Fargo Bank to Anita Cantu, Robert M. Cantu, Release of Lien.

Calvin L. Wayman to Calvin L. Wayman, Mitchell V. Wayman, Mineral Deed.

Carol McKnight Trust, Calvin L. Wayman Ttee to Calvin L. Wayman, Mitchell V. Wayman, Mineral Deed.

Cahrls R. Burroughs Estate to Naomi Burroughs Ind Exec, Public, CC Probate.

John F. Wilson to Lincoln Land & Title LLC, Oil & Gas Lease.

Terri Sue Hobbs to Lincoln Land & Title LLC, Oil & Gas Lease.

Lori Ellen Hammond to Lincoln Land & Title LLC, Oil & Gas Lease.

Vida Mae McDaniel to Lincoln Land & Title LLC, Memo/O&G L.

Brenda G. Hammond, Carlton Blake Hammond to Lincoln Land & Title LLC, Memo/O&G L.

James Cole Wulfjen to Lincoln Land & Title LLC, Memo/O&G L.

Urda Dee Wulfjen to Lincoln Land & Title LLC, Memo/O&G L.

Seven Wells Properties Inc., Dwainna Wulfjen Vice President to Eloise Crawford, Warranty Deed.

Eloise Crawford to Donal R. Bell Jr., Connie Bell, Warranty Deed.

Donal R. Bell Jr., Connie Bell to City National Bank, Deed of Trust.

Cox Farms, Robert Boyd Cox, Mary Margaret Cox to Irrigation Finance Solutions LLC, Financing Stmt.

B4 Enterprises Ltd, Nelda Linscomb Owner to Crystal N. Stewart, Warranty Deed.

Crystal N. Stewart to Francisco Valentin Jr. Ttee, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Rual Housing Service, Deed of Trust.

Mary Ruth Bowen Dyer to Nadel & Bussman Permian LLC, Memo/O&G L.

Johne Kay Bowen Lopez to Nadel & Bussman Permian LLC, Memo/O&G L.

John D. Bowen II to Nadel & Bussman Permian LLC, Memo/O&G L.

Juanita Jarrett, M. Buddy Jarrett Atty in Fact to Ramiro Reyes, Warranty Deed.

Fikes Energy LLC, Brendan Fikes Mgr to Joshi Technologies International Inc., Sharon M. Hurst Bus Dev Dir, Asg Conv Bill of S.

City National Bank Colo City, Royce D. Clay Pres to John Munoz, Cecilia Munoz, Release of Lien.

Nancy Thomason to Ryan Raborn, Jern Harris, Warranty Deed.

Ryan Raborn, Jern Harris to Nancy Thomason, Tvl Wood Tree, Deed of Trust.

Firewheel Energy LLC to Oxy USA Inc., Asg O&G Lease.

Eli Ornelas, Gabriel Ornelas Sr.,

Rebecca Ornelas, Gabriel Ornelas Jr., Guadalupe Ornelas to Ornelas LLC, Warranty Deed.

Georgia June Russell Affiant to Johnnie Amos Deceased, Johnnie Chaney Amos aka Deceased, Public, Affidv Heirship.

Georgia June Russell Affiant to George Paul Amos Deceased, Public, Affidv Heirship.

Vicki Jean Hyer, Thomas Hyer to Comanche Exploration LLC, Memo/O&G L.

John Paul Amos, Becky Amos to Comanche Exploration LLC, Memo/O&G L.

Georgia June Russell to Comanche Exploration LLC, Memo/O&G L.

Citibank (South Dakota) NA Merged into Citibank NA to Walter Sickles, Walter Sickles, Abst Jdgm.

Citibank (South Dakota) NA Merged into Citibank NA to Debora K. Leach, Abst Jdgm.

Citibank (South Dakota) NA Merged into Citibank NA to Christi L. Sparks, Abst Jdgm.

Glynn Mouton Ttee, Doris Pike Guthrie Montana Trust for A.D. Guthrie, to Glynn Mouton Co-Tee, Ben Ella Stewart Co-Tee, Mark Morgan Co-Tee, Kimberly Paige Guthrie Grandchild Trust, Robert M. Nelson Ttee, Andrea Kay Nelson Grandchild Trust, Distrib Deed.

Virginia Willis Reaves, Laticia Willis Ross, Nancy Willis to Brooks E. Wallis, Susan C. Wallis, Warranty Deed.

George Ronald Witten Individually & Ttee, Barbara Lynne Witten Morgan Individually & Ttee, Frances M. Witten Trust, Brennand Energy Ltd to Double Eagle Development LLC, Ratif of Lease.

Capital Farm Credit FLCA, Tommy Henderson Loan Officer to Alvin Leroy Geiger, Roy Geiger aka, Cathy Geiger, Release of Lien.

Doyle H. Herring Estate to Public, Dawn Pennington an Applicant, CC Probate.

Harry L. Dockrey, Dorris A. Dockrey to James F. Dockrey, William D. Dockrey, Warranty Deed.

James F. Dockrey, William D. Dockrey to Jarry L. Dockrey, Dorris A. Dockrey, Warranty Deed.

Harris L. Dockrey to Dorris A. Dockrey Agent, James F. Dockrey Succ Agent, William D. Dockrey Succ Agent, Power of Attor.

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Harry L. Dockrey, Dorris A. Dockrey to James F. Dockrey, William D. Dockrey, Min & Roy Deed.

Michelle D. Monse Affiant, Carl B. & Florence E. King Foundation to Frost National Bank Agent, Affidavit.

Leslie Allen Pharis, Patty Pharis, to Royce D. Clay Ttee, City National Bank Colo City, Home Equity.

Jack Carlton Bolan Sr., Jack Carlton Bolan aka, Robert Allen Bolan to Western Royalties LLC, Mineral Deed.

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Crownrock LP, Crownrock GP LLC Gen Prtnr, Charles Wetzel Sr. VP to Carl Stutzman Ttee, Union Bank NA Adm Agent, Union Bank of California fka, Paul E. Cornell Sr. VP, 11th Suppl/DT.

Cecilia Ann David, Jeanie Lynn McDonald, Jeanie Lynn McDonald Bird aka, McDonald Family Minerals LLC, Lora Jeanne Olufsen Miller Indiv/Ttee to Nadel and Gussman Permian LLC, Ratif of Lease.

Reed Stewart, Kathryn LeRuth reed Stewart, Cecilia Ann David, Jeanie Lynn McDonald, Jeanie Lynn McDonald Bird aka, McDonald Family Minerals LLC, Jeanne Olufsen Miller Lora Indiv/Ttee to Nadel and Gussman Permian LLC, Ratif of Lease.

City of Colorado City, Belinda Blasingame Interim City Manager to Sharyland Utilities LP, Easement & RW.

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Jean Griffith Lemons, Jane Griffith Quinn to Laredo Petroleum Inc., Memo/O&G L.

Amanda Nikol Bolin to Malcom Bradley Bruce, Warranty Deed.

Parrott Children's Trust, Henry Don Parrott Individually & Ttee to Blue Sky Energy LLC, Pd UP O&G Lease.

Lorianne Toombs to Double Eagle Development LLC, Oil & Gas Lease.

MCM Energy Partners LLC, Miles McPherrin President, to double Eagle Development LLC, Cody Campbell Manager, Asg O&G Lease.

Joseph E. Hand Sr. Vice-Pres, Irma Thomas Wright Trust, Regions Bank Ttee to Miles McPherrin Pres, MCM Energy Partners LLC, Memo/O&G L.

Mary Jane Vann to Double Eagle Development LLC, Memo/O&G L.

Doris Lynn Sands to Double Eagle Development LLC, Memo/O&G L.

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Cody W. Hughes, Amy Jo Hughes to Steve H. Fowlkes Ttee, Lone Star PCA, Deed of Trust.

MARRIAGES

Gavin E. Davis to Doris M. Jones, 4-24-12.

FILED IN COUNTY COURT

Justin W. Logston, 4024012, Failure to Drive in Single Lane.

Gary Seeber, 4-24-12, Poss Marij, <2 oz.

Marvin Charles Miller, 4-24-12, JP - Unsafe Speed.

Robert Martinez, 4-26-12, Asst Causes Bodily Injury: Family Member.

Michael Frank, 4-26-12, Harrassment.

ARRESTS

Wesley Jordan, 17, CCPD, Terroristic Threat, 4-29-12.

Joe Garza, 18, CCPD, Scurry Co. Agg. Sexual Asst, 4-29-12.

Travis Daniel Immel, 28, THP, POM U/2 oz, 4-24-12.

Darren Emerson, 38, MCSO, Poss Cont Substance, 3-2-12.

Richard Robert Ford, 61, MCSO, Prob Federal Charges, 4-26-12.

Clark Gallegos, 20, MCSO, DWLI, 4-26-12.

Michael Wayne Scott, 48, CCPD, PI - Enhanced, 4-27-12.

Johnathan Long, 17, CCPD, Crim Trespass, Evading Arrest, 4-29-12.

Rudy E. Ramos, 31, THP, Non Child Support - VOP, 4-30-12.

LORAINE NEWS

By Aimee Jackson Loraine Correspondent

Debby Mitchell and Judy Beasley performed for the Loraine Senior Center last Wednesday. They brought a visitor with them from Westbrook, Lou Harrell. Everyone enjoyed the entertainment and it was much appreciated!

Visitors to the Loraine Center last week included Betty Safford's daughter and son-in-law, Raymond and Janet Cline, Wanda Wheeler from the Metroplex and John Miller from C-City.

Our doors are always open, and we enjoy having visitors!

The city-wide clean-up project

was such a success that they are planning another one. On May 19th, dumpsters will go in just across from the gin, and everyone is encouraged to clean up and haul off any debris or large items.

The last clean-up was so successful that the dumpsters were filled quickly, and they even had to turn away a few people. Mark your calendars and let's get Loraine looking beautiful!

Remember to vote on May 12! You can vote early at the LISD administration office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. At hand, of course, is the bond issue, along with two school board seats.

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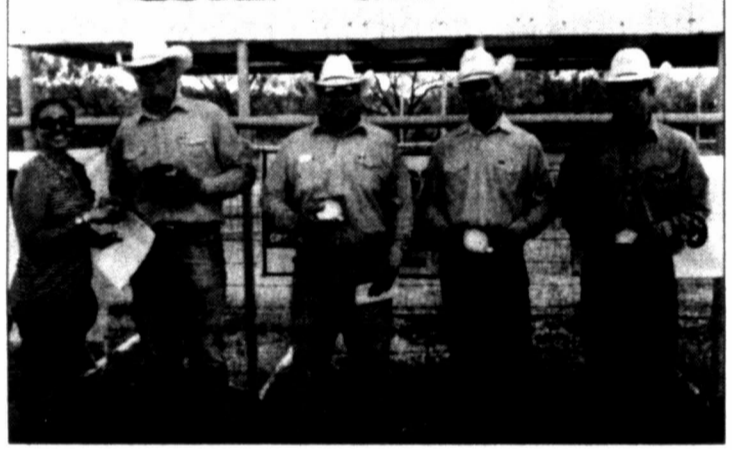
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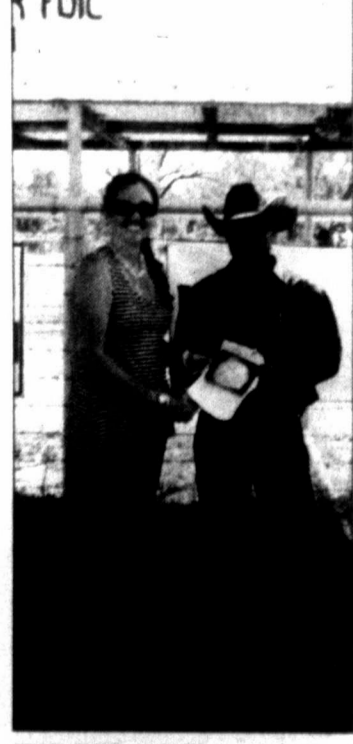
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THE FIRST PLACE team went to Powell Ranch from Eldorado, TX. They won with a time of 183.48 seconds. The events were doctoring, mugging, stray cattle gathering, and trailer loading. Powell Ranch also had the fastest times for all the events, so they pocketed another \$100 per event they won. The team members are Trey Weishuhn, Landon Neal, Jon Calcote, and Adam White. The winning team was presented buckles and cash from Chamber Director Amanda Ritchey.



THE SECOND PLACE team went to Double M Ranch with a time of 277.89 seconds. Their team mates from (L to R) are Dakota Falcon, (Amanda Ritchey) Rooster Falcon, Ricky Ferguson, and Wichita Falcon.



THE TOP HAND buckle went to Rooster Falcon from the Double M Ranch. The top hand is picked by the judges and is based on all around sportsmanship and general animal experience.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Loraine will be having a Cleanup Day on Saturday, May 19, 2012. Dumpsters will be located in the fenced lot east of the county equipment lot.

This service will be provided to the **City of Loraine Residents Only**, all persons dumping will be required to show a current water bill from the City of Loraine. Only hard-to-collect materials, such as large and bulky items that are not picked up under regular collection including grass clippings and small tree limbs will be allowed in the dumpsters. Tires and batteries **will not** be accepted. We also will be collecting old appliances and metal items inside the fenced in area. Please have freon and compressors removed from old appliances or they **will not** be accepted.

If you have any questions please contact City Hall at 737-2222.

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