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Dialysis center "essentially complete"

During last Tuesday's regular meeting of the Mitchell County Hospital District's Board of Directors, members heard that construction of the dialysis center, located on Chestnut across the street from the old hospital, is "essentially complete."

Management group representative Joe Hedrick told board members that the new building already has equipment installed, staff hired and should be ready for the

first patients in a matter of days. "Water samples have been sent in, and we expect to receive our state license by next Monday," Hedrick said.

He also explained that problems with the electric delivery company, Oncor, had delayed the project about three weeks, but electricity is now on in the new building.

Starting November 1, the center will add five new patients per week. While patient capacity at

the current facility is approximately 40, Hedrick explained that the building was designed to be expanded.

One of the many benefits of the facility is that it will be an "open center", meaning that patients of any doctor can be treated at the center, unlike other facilities in West Texas.

In other reports, EMS interim director, Jason Cooper and Bob Martin, head of maintenance at

the hospital, reported to the board that the move to the new EMS building would be complete in about 10 days.

Hospital CEO Karl Stinson expressed a desire to hold ribbon-cutting ceremonies and open houses on both the dialysis center and EMS building within the month.

During the financial report, made by Jaime Jacoby, Chief Financial Officer, board members received some welcome news. Fi-

nancial statistics show that the district has made "about a 3 million dollar turn around in the last year," according to Jacoby.

Last year at this time, the hospital district had recorded a net loss of almost \$1.7 million. This year the district is showing a \$1.18 million gain.

"All in all, it's a pretty positive statement," Jacoby said.

Dr. Dee Roach, Chief of Staff, gave the medical staff reported

that Family Medical Clinic "is really busy" at this time. Roach said there have been a few rare confirmed cases of influenza. He also said that the hospital district is out of the flu vaccine at this time but expects to receive more vaccine by November 6.

In addressing the H1N1 flu, Roach said that there's no vaccine in the county for the particular flu

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County appoints alternate election judge to fill term

The county commissioners appointed Christine Britton to serve as the Precinct 4 alternate election judge at their Monday meeting.

Britton's appointment fills the vacancy following Betty Chandler's resignation as the current Precinct 4 alternate election judge. Britton serves as the Republican election judge in Precinct 4 during national elections.

She will fill the unexpired term as the alternate election judge through July 31, when a new alternate election judge will be appointed for a two-year term.

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CMS to host Joe Biggers at history program Friday



JOE BIGGERS

Former Colorado City all-round athlete Archie "Joe" Biggers will speak to Colorado Middle School students Friday, October 9th in the school cafeteria at 10 a.m.

A retired lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps, Biggers will speak as part of the CMS "Real History, Real Heroes" program.

Biggers joined the U.S. Marine Corps in 1967, serving two terms in Vietnam. He was wounded three times, twice in one day; earning him two Purple Hearts and one Silver Star.

Biggers will also speak about what he's been doing as a commissioner on the California Board of Parole Hearings, according to the CMS principal Mark Merrell.

"The public is invited to attend," said Merrell.



COTTON, GUAR AND CRP were the main points of interest during the Mitchell County Farm Tour and Ag Day last Thursday. Farmers viewed a cotton harvest aide exhibit during a stop at the Erwin Farm. (Photo courtesy of Keith Hiser)

Farm tour looks at needs

Participants in the Mitchell County Farm Tour and Agriculture Appreciation Day made on-site inspections of alternative guar production, cotton harvest aids and the effects of using beetles to control salt cedar infestations last Thursday.

Sponsored by the Texas Agriculture Extension Service, the Mitchell Soil and Water Conservation District, Natural Resource Conservation Service and the Farm Service Agency, the annual tour provides farmers and others interested in agriculture an opportunity to see how different crops,

chemicals and practices actually perform in Mitchell County.

Hal Morren, who has been farming 15 years, attended to see the exhibits and get information on CRP and defoliation.

"I'm interested in the new chemicals and how they work on defoliation," said Tommy Fuller. Fuller was also interested in the demonstration of the effectiveness of the salt cedar beetles. "I saw the brochures. It's something I'm interested in," said Fuller, who has spent 50 years farming and attended most of the annual farm tours.

The group first stopped at the Strain Farm to learn about guar production as an alternative crop.

A desert plant, guar is a legume that actually enhances the soil, replenishing soil-nitrogen levels and increasing future crop yields.

Safflower, another alternative crop, does better for dryland production. "Safflower doesn't respond to more water," said Yates. "Dryland makes more money with safflower, while irrigated land loses money."

The second stop on the tour was to Kenny Gillespie's farm for

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Clean-up still a "go" Saturday

Colorado City will hold their annual fall city-wide cleanup campaign on October 10.

Keep Colorado City Beautiful President Bob Reilly urges all citizens that have requested pickups to separate the items into three piles: one for wood and limbs, one for metal and appliances and a third for household refuse.

The city and county are furnishing trucks and front end loaders to assist with the cleanup, and local citizens are furnishing trailers. KCCB needs volunteers to man all the equipment. If the landfill is closed, due to weather conditions, KCCB members will still pick up metal and appliances on Saturday.

All volunteers will meet at the First Baptist Church parking lot at 8 a.m. on Saturday. Coffee and donuts will be served. KCCB will also furnish lunch as the various volunteer groups finish their routes. Lunch will be served at the First United

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Seasonal flu shots available for veterans

The West Texas VA Health Care System is providing multiple opportunities for veterans to receive their seasonal flu shot. The VA will offer the flu shot in the outpatient lobby of the Big Spring Medical Center weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The VA continues the emphasis on the prevention of disease by encouraging all veterans to be vaccinated annually.

Veterans currently enrolled in VA Health Care will be required to show their VA identification cards in order to receive their shot. Flu shots will be administered to all veterans interested in receiving their immunization.

The National Center for Disease Control reports the influenza vaccination is the most effective method for preventing the seasonal influenza virus

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FIRST PLACE GOES to the RSR Cookers from San Angelo for preparing the best BBQ goat at the 14th Annual Boer Goat Cook-Off. Rick Alvarez, Fuller Foods manager presents a check for \$1500 to winners Renee Hunter, Marlon Rankin, Steve Rankin, and Shawn Glass (from left) as Chief Rufino Martinez congratulates them (in red cap). (Photo by Megaen Cloutier)

Wet weather fails to dampen Boer goat cook-off success

The Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department hosted another successful Boer Goat Cook-off.

The annual cook-off, held in Ruddick Park, is the major fundraiser for the CCVFD.

"We had a good turnout," said Chief Rufino Martinez. "With 42 teams we weren't full. Everybody had fun despite the damp weather."

RSR Cookers from San Angelo, under team captain Steve Rankin won the first place prize of \$1500 and three belt buckles in the 2009 Boer Goat Cook-off. Second place and \$500 went to Smokin Outlaws under team captain Josh Morris. The third place prize of \$250 went to Waltz Across Texas

and team captain Debbie Waltz.

Other winners were West Texas Cookers in fourth place; the Patriots in fifth; Lone Stranger, sixth; The Gourmet Crackers, seventh; Seven D, eighth; Cajun Cookers, ninth and West Texas Spice, tenth.

Best of Show was awarded to Elite Force, captained by Kyle Bailey and Todd Whitesides. The Inlaws N Outlaws under captain Tommy Henderson received the award for Friendliest Camp and Classiest Camp went to the OvertheHillBunch under captain Henry Castillo.

The winner of the Fire Department plaque was the Fire House Cookers under captains Morris

Chaney and Rick Goodney. Grill Guards, headed up by Jason Heaton, took the first place plaque for the TDCJ competition.

Jackpot winners were Circle C Cooking Team in the beans division, captained by Tonya Cannon, winning \$330; RSR Cookers in the pork ribs division under captains Marlon and Steve Rankin, \$442; and in the dessert category, Tres Amigos captained by Christine Pevehouse, \$285.

First place in the brisket jackpot division went to Elite Force, under captains Kyle Bailey and Todd Whitesides with \$420 in prize money and three belt buckles donated by Michael and

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Around Town

Happy birthday Margie Davila (Oct. 10)... Ask Shane Johnson what the view looks like from the top of his Tahoe... Happy 81st birthday Bob Reilly (Oct. 7)... Happy 18th birthday Tyler Higgins (Oct. 7)... Happy birthday Tae Angel Love Lara (Oct. 13)... Happy 83rd birthday Tommy Wright (Oct. 10)...

Answerline

Q. When will the U.S. Army Field Band and Soldiers Chorus perform in Snyder?
A. The free concert will take place Monday, October 19, 2009, at 7 p.m. in the Coliseum. The band and chorus consists of 100 people performing.

Obituaries

Ildefonso Paredes
Odessa

Oil Dump
A free collection for proper disposal of used motor oil and other harmful chemicals will be held Fri., Oct. 16 at the Farmers Co-Op, 1904 E. Hwy. 180 in Snyder. For more information, contact Greg Gruben, CEA, 325-573-5423.

Livestock Meeting
The Mitchell County Livestock Association will meet Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. in the C.C. Thompson Room.

Open House
CHS will have Open House Mon., Oct. 12 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. All students

and parents are encouraged to attend. Report cards will be handed out. There will also be a senior parent meeting with Mrs. Ross at 6:30 p.m. in the library. All parents of senior students are urged to attend.

Blood Drive
There will be a "Be a hero" Blood Drive at Loraine ISD on Fri., Oct. 16 from 1:30 to 6 p.m. The Bloodmobile will be in the school parking lot. Total cholesterol tests will be given with every donation.

Booster Meeting
The Loraine Booster Club will meet at

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5 p.m. Tues., Oct. 6 in the cafeteria.
Disc Golf
There will be a disc golf tournament on Nov. 1 in Ruddick Park with 9 permanent holes and 9 temporary holes. Registration will be held that day from 8 to 9 a.m. Tourney will be 100% plus. Cost is \$20 to \$50 per player. For more information, contact Greg Brooks, 432-528-5076.

Senior Fundraiser
A group of CHS seniors is raising funds to go on a cruise at the end of the school

year. On Saturday, there will be two fundraisers. There will be a bake sale from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Fuller Foods and from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. there will be a buffet at Pizza Hut. Also, the students will hold a carwash on the First National Bank parking lot on Sunday, beginning at 1 p.m.

CHS Band Booster Meeting
The Colorado High School Band Boosters will meet next Thurs., Oct. 15 at 6 p.m. in the CHS band hall. Any parents interested in the band and their activities is invited to attend.

LOCAL NEWS



TOOLS OF THE TRADE – District Attorney Ann Reed presents DPS Trooper Frank Casares with a set of tools for the DPS department to make vehicle searches easier.

Toolkits help with vehicle search

Troopers working for the Department of Public Safety received a token of appreciation from the district attorney's office this week.

District Attorney Ann Reed presented local troopers with

toolkits to help make their job of searching vehicles easier.

"The toolkit was specially designed to enable them to search vehicles more efficiently and quicker," said Reed. "There are all kinds of tools, such as one to

pull the radio, so they don't have to take the vehicle to the dealership."

Also included in the toolkit are mirrors to look in and behind things, when troopers are looking for drugs, money or other contraband at traffic stops.

"Our troopers do a good job for us," said Reed. "This is a way to help them out." Since troopers working for DPS are a state funded agency, they are ineligible to receive monies from the drug forfeiture funds as do the police and sheriff's departments.

The toolkits were purchased from the DA's drug forfeiture fund. "I think it's a neat thing the funds come from drug deals and we can use it to combat drugs," Reed said.

Officers typically search vehicles when they suspect narcotics or the proceeds from those narcotics, but vehicle searches have also uncovered items used in identity theft such as stolen birth certificates and weapons. "We typically think of drugs and money (on the searches), but those aren't the only things criminals try to hide," Reed said.

"We're glad to have the toolkit to assist us in searching vehicles,"

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Randy Erwin
Agent



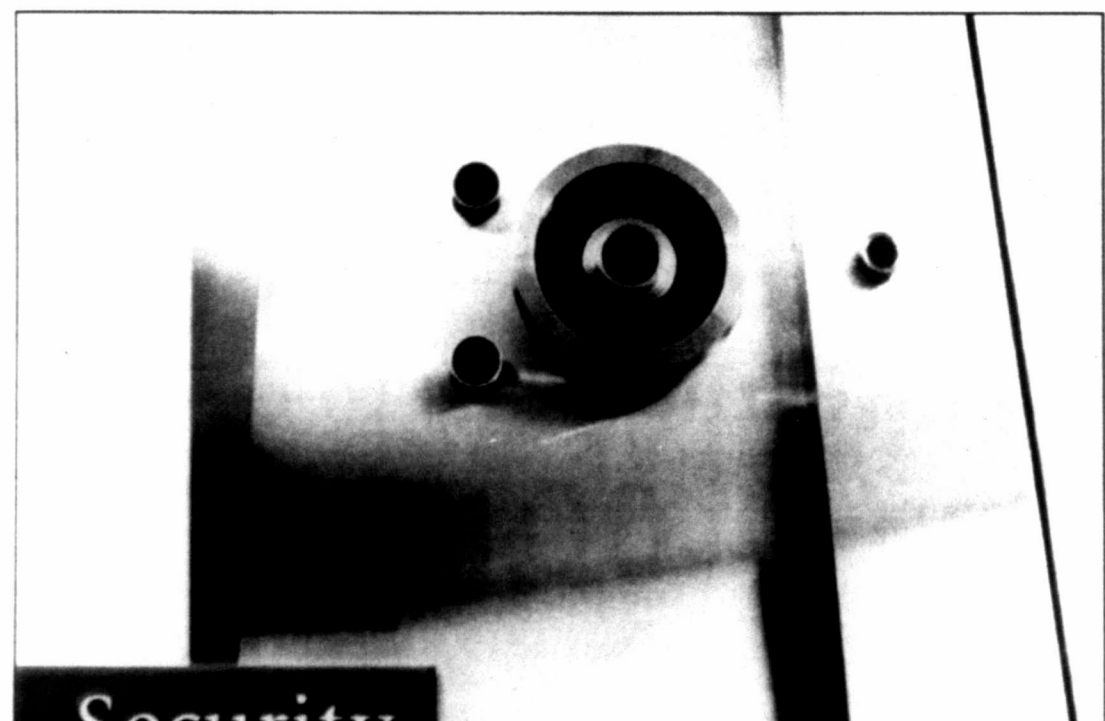
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strain, and he doesn't expect to get any "for a long time." If MCHD gets any H1N1 vaccine, it will be given to pregnant women and care providers of young children first, then administered to health care providers.

Unlike the regular influenza, seniors over the age of 65 are not placed at the top of the vaccine list, because adults do not seem as adversely affected by the flu strain as children.

In action, the board approved financing and a capital budget amendment for one new ambulance and a completely refurbished and remounted ambulance. An allowance had been made in the budget for \$155,000 for the purchase of an ambulance, but Cooper told board members that for \$200,000 the district would be able to purchase a new ambulance and have an old one refurbished and remounted on a new chassis.

The district can operate the EMS service with three fully-operating ambulances. "Having three in operation allows us to have a rotation schedule," Cooper said. Thus, reducing the wear and tear to the newest ambulance in the fleet.

A board-approved amendment was made to the capital budget, extending the amount to \$200,000 from \$155,000. Also, \$155,000 was removed from the 2010 capital budget, since the purchase will be made in 2009.

Payments on the new ambulance will be \$6,029.51 for three years at 5.05% interest through Republic National Bank.

In other action, bank notes were approved for renewal at City National Bank. MCHD will continue to pay \$7,500 per month on an old note, and has paid down their \$250,000 line of credit to \$20,000.

CFO Jacoby also reported on the payroll conversion to direct deposit. All MCHD employees now have their paychecks electronically deposited into a bank account. The board approved a resolution authorizing Shannon Meek, Payroll Clerk, to transmit payroll and Jacoby to transfer funds between operating, payroll and tax accounts.

Financing was also discussed for the recently-initialized electronic medical record system, Healthland. Ultimately, the board approved financing on \$325,000 to complete the project. Stinson noted that the district has already paid Healthland \$212,000 of the estimated \$625,000 to \$650,000 project.

The hospital will enter into a contract to finance the money with Citizens Bank of Slaton with a 5.75% fixed interest rate. The contract will be for five years, but Stinson expressed his belief that the hospital district will be able to pay the debt off early.

After facing some concern by board members, Stinson explained that 80% of what they spent and are spending on the Healthland Computer System, will be returned to the district through the cost report.

Joe Wright, interim business office manager, faced a tough crowd when giving the business office report to the board. Wright

began the report with a bang by telling board members that \$1.6 million in bills have been sent out since September 23, using the Healthland computer system. He also said that the office has been short-handed and the new computer system is showing "our past sins." He also admitted that several filing deadlines had been missed under recent past management.

Employees are being held accountable for the work, according to Wright, thanks to the Healthland system.

Board Vice President Jerry Reynolds was wondering about all the old accounts receivable bills when he asked candidly, "Will you ever be able, in a sense, to catch up?"

"Yes," Wright answered, "but don't make me put a time on it."

When Patty Pharis asked if everybody was now getting bills monthly, Jacoby responded that over 1500 bills were sent out two weeks ago, and money was beginning to come in from those. He also stressed that if patients need to make payments on the total, they should call the hospital to make the arrangements.

Both Pharis and Reynolds continued to press Jacoby and Wright.

"We get criticism. People want a bill," Reynolds said.

"I would like to go to lunch without being questioned about the hospital's billing issues,"

Pharis said.

"We haven't done a good job on this," Jacoby responded.

Board President Bobbie Banks, asked where the hospital district was headed personnel-wise, since Wright is an interim office manager. Both Wright and Jacoby said a lot of training is taking place now and they will be looking for a business office manager with experience.

"We won't just hire the first warm body with a resume," Jacoby said.

Durbin & Co. was approved as the auditing firm handling the audit for MCHD, and Rosa Carlos and Janet Mayo were both approved as new Texas Auxiliary Hospital Volunteers in other action.

During the administrator's report, Stinson said that the acquisition of a new vehicle for MCHD employees driving to the TDCJ San Angelo work camp is beginning to look urgent. He cited a breakdown of the current vehicle which occurred somewhere around Robert Lee recently.

Upon the suggestion by Rep. Drew Darby, Stinson has scheduled a meeting with the County Judge of Tom Green County to approach the Economic Development Board there for help with the funding for the new vehicle.

"The work camp is very important to them there," Stinson said.

OBITUARIES

Ildefonso Paredes
1942-2009

ODESSA -- Our beloved "Dad", Ildefonso Paredes, is now at peace after a hard battle with cancer. On Sunday, October 4, 2009 he joined his true love of 40 years, our Mother, Diane who preceded him in 2001.

He is now with his daughter, Petey, his mom and dad and others he loved during his life.

A brother, father, grandfather, uncle, cousin and good friend to many are a few of the many hats Ildes wore during his life.

A master of his craft, "design" he owned and operated LD's Printing, Paredes Press and the Permian Basin Entertainment Guide, for over 40 years.

His motivating and zest for life made him one of the charter members for the Odessa Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Abilene Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Mexican American Network of Odessa, M.A.N.O.

Born and raised in Colorado City on January 5, 1942 to Benardo and Guadalupe Paredes, he was a devout Catholic, a Crusillista, Guadalupano and a Knight of Columbus.

Civically, an active member of the Odessa Basin Lions Club in his younger years.

While raising his family, he helped his older brother manage the Continental Trailways Bus Station during the time Odessa's downtown was alive and booming with the theaters, diners and assorted booming department stores, all the while cops walked the beat. At the same time, he also worked at the Odessa American, Motherall Printing, and owned a night lounge in Midland. As his children grew, he even wore the hat of professor Paredes when he worked at the Odessa College printing and mail department.

The health of his dad, prompted a move to Abilene, re-establishing his printing company there for over 10 years. He was pulled back to Odessa in 1988, this is where he wore the hat of "Dad" for the next 21 years; a hat that can never be replaced or worn by anyone other than him.

He is survived by his children, Jane Paredes Aguilar and husband Ruben G., Jose Luis Paredes, Belinda Montes and husband Vico and Dinah Olivas, widow of Danny Olivas, all of Odessa; brothers, Ismael Paredes and wife Delia of Brownsville, Abel Paredes and wife Adelina of Midland; and sister, Irene Paredes of Abilene; sister-in-law, Alicia Ramirez and husband Elias; and brother-in-law, Oscar "Blinky" Ramirez, of Fort Stockton.

His immediate family grew to bless him as a grandfather in 1980, and granted him eight granddaughters and eight grandsons, Elsa, Patricia, Jassamine Jo, Jo Ann, Cristina, Cristal, Angelica, and Justine, David, Ricky "Twenty", Adrian, Jose Ildefonso, Christopher, Victor, Andre, and Jacoby; which in turn blessed him as great-grandpa in 1995 with 11 great grandchildren and counting, Marina, Pricilla, Reyna, Angelina, Peyton, Joe Angel, Marcos, Ricky, Jr., Nathan, Damaian and Julian, all of Odessa.

The main list of all who could, would and did call him "Dad" is too numerous to leave anyone out, so to his legacy, "Dad is now with Mom".

Rosary was held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 7, 2009 at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Mass is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Thursday, October 8, 2009 at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Reverend Santiago Udayar officiating. Interment will follow at Rose Hill Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Memorial Funeral Home. To sign the guest book, go to our website at www.sunsetodessa.com.

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LOCAL NEWS

Biological salt cedar control gains ground

Entomologists and land owners are finally beginning to see visible results from a natural biological control of salt cedar along Cherry Creek.

Allen Knutson, extension entomologist with Texas AgriLife Extension in Dallas partnered with land owner Kenny Gillespie to release salt cedar beetles on property bordering Cherry Creek.

"We started in 2006 and it finally took off this year," said Knutson. "It looks like a forest fire went through here."

"The beetles defoliated a lot of trees this year," said Gillespie. "They crossed the pasture and started right into neighboring areas."

The beetles were originally imported from northern China to combat the infestation of salt cedar, introduced into the United States in the 1830's from central Asia.

The shrub's ability to survive drought, heat, cold, salinity, fire and flooding make it a serious threat to native Texas ecosystems.

The beetle is food specific, meaning it only targets and eats salt cedar.

Although Knutson has worked on the use of the beetles against the salt cedar infestation for 20 years, beetle colonies have been established in Texas only in the past ten years and into Mitchell

County five years ago.

What surprised Knutson, Steve Shrode NRCS district conservationist, and AgriLife Extension Service director John Senter the most were the massive numbers of beetles still foraging on the cedars.

"Most beetles have already gone to overwintering," said Knutson. "These are swarming like honeybees." Knutson feels the beetles will keep producing until winter due to the abundant supply of salt cedar along the creek.

Patience is the key to using the beetles as a natural environmental control against the salt cedar.

"Seventy-five percent of the cedar at Big Spring are dead after five years of defoliation," he said. "You've got to be patient. I think they'll get to this whole county by themselves by next summer."

The proliferation of the beetles and their willingness to migrate to the next stand of salt cedar means scientists do not have to move the beetles around anymore.

In the case of Kenny Gillespie's land, the beetles began crossing his field into neighboring areas in late July and left a large swath of destruction within a matter of days.

It was interesting to note how the beetles ignored an entire field of cotton to single out a solitary



DEAD FOLIAGE IS a good thing when it comes to beetles attacking and destroying salt cedar trees. Steve Shrode, John Senter, Kenny Gillespie and Allen Knutson (from left) inspect a site on Cherry Creek where the beetles were released in 2006.

salt cedar in the next field.

Gillespie first became interested in the beetles at a town meeting. "They were signing up people for the herbicide program and Knutson talked a little bit about the beetles," Gillespie said. "I put my name in the hat because I had a few acres of them (salt cedar)."

"We did a lot of counting that first year, mature beetles, larva, eggs. Knutson is very dedicated to this project," Gillespie said.

"I don't know how many people have asked me what I'm spraying on them (cedars)."

"If it wasn't for people like him (Gillespie), the process would go slow," Knutson said, since releasing the beetles requires landowners' permission.

Aside from fire ants, which are the beetles' biggest threat, flooding is the worst enemy for the beetles.

"Winter is not a problem," said Knutson. The beetles will winter underground, under leaf detritus. "They survive up into Colorado."

Between 50-60,000 beetles have been released in Mitchell County over four separate sites.

"We're trying to get the Colo-

rado River and the beetles will naturally fill in between those spots," Knutson said.

The beetles were placed in areas not already sprayed with herbicide. "The beetles are a long term control," said Knutson. They attack the little seedlings that spring up which herbicides can't get.

Knutson and Senter are working with the Colorado River Municipal Water District with monies from Walmart through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation to help improve wildlife on the Colorado.

The funds are used to cover the cost of relocating the beetles. There is no cost to landowners to release beetles on their property.

Police Christmas program gives back to community

The Colorado City Police Department will be helping less fortunate families during the Christmas season by participating in a special community project called Blue Santa.

"Officers dressed as Santa will deliver toys on Christmas eve in a police car," said Ron Dooley, Chief of Police. "It's a way for the officers to give back to the community because officers their presence at a home is not under good circumstances."

New unwrapped gifts and monetary donations will be ac-

cepted at the police department located at 210 W. 3rd. All donations may be brought at any time and given to the dispatcher on duty.

The gifts are for needy children ages birth to 17. "It's not meant to compete with existing organizations that also donate toys," Dooley said. "It is a way to let the community know that the police are there for the good times as well as the bad."

Anyone who happens to know a family that truly needs toys should contact Dooley at the po-

lice department, 325-728-5294. "Just send us the name of the family, their address and phone number and we'll make contact," Dooley said.

The number of families helped will depend on the amount of donations received from local businesses and citizens from the City of Colorado City.

"We've had a really great response from local businesses with cash donations. Our box is starting to fill up," said Dooley. "We feel like this is going to be a huge success."

Cattle raisers to meet in Sterling City

Ranchers are invited to attend the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

The gathering will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Larry and Linda Harwood, 419 Third Street in Sterling City with registration and a free beef dinner.

"These ranch gatherings are a great way for folks in the com-

munity to get together, and it's not just for TSCRA members. Anyone who would like to come out and enjoy the evening is invited. Please RSVP by Oct. 10 to Brooke Boddy at 1-800-242-7820, ext. 192, or rsvp@texascattleraisers.org.

Jack Andrews, TSCRA Special Ranger, will offer tips on safeguarding agricultural assets

from theft.

The ranch gathering is sponsored by Bayer Animal Health, Dow AgriSciences, Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health, Agricultural Workers Mutual Auto Insurance and Horwood Ranch Company.

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TUMBLEWEED SMITH A RETURN TO THE AMALFI COAST

When I was a soldier in Europe in the late fifties, I took a leave with some friends of mine to Italy. We went to Florence, Rome, Portofino, Milan, Naples and other places. At Sorrento my friends said they wanted to visit Pompeii. I decided to forego that excursion so I explored the coast further south, mainly so I could sing the song Come Back to Sorrento. Sounds silly now, but that was the real reason for going. Besides that, I wanted to cruise the curves and hills and see the sites along the famous Amalfi Drive. I saw buses have to back up to maneuver some of the tight squeezes. There are tunnels and bridges galore and you're lucky if you get on a straightaway that is as long as a football field.

I stopped in the little village of Positano. It was quiet, tranquil, beautiful, intriguing. I had some kind of spiritual experience there. The city sort of oozes down a mountain into the Mediterranean. I wandered up and down a few of the cobblestone streets admiring the bougainvillea, stone walls and cozy little hotels. It was July and the weather was perfect. I went down to a small beach where a man was making shoes in his little seaside stall. We visited. I practiced my Italian and bought a pair of shoes.

Italian incidents and feelings stay with most people longer than other places. It's sure that way with me. The images of those few hours in Positano fifty years ago are still as vivid now as they were when I was there. I felt so good. I vowed that when I met the girl I would spend the rest of my life with, I would return to Positano with her.

I did not know it would be fifty years before that happened, but it did in August of this year. We cleared out some time, worked ahead and were able to find a cruise that would visit some cities along the Amalfi coast. At the city of Amalfi we hired a driver. This was a special trip and I did not want to take that route on a bus.

The drive was even more magical than I remembered it. We traveled up and down it all day. During the past fifty years, people have found out about the Amalfi Drive and the charming little villages along it. The traffic was extremely heavy and in addition to the trucks, cars and buses on the road, our driver dealt with baby carriages, dogs and hordes of tourists, many of them lugging giant suitcases.

Positano was wall-to-wall people: in the bars, restaurants, on the beach, on the shaded walkways up and down the hills in the shopping district. I had thought I would buy a pair of shoes, but it was just too crowded. It was not the quiet, tranquil place I remembered. But my wife was there to experience it with me and it was special. I think I figured out that it wasn't just Positano that was so indelibly stamped in my brain, but the wonderful 28 mile winding route of dramatic coastline, past some of the most beautiful small towns in the world, smelling the flowers and seeing the lemon and olive groves. I do want to return, but in October or January or March.



A dose of decency in the rise of rudeness

By Flash Prescott

Recently the news has been filled with reports of something that can only be described as "people being rude." Whether it's a tennis star threatening to do horrible things to a line judge, a slightly drunken performer stealing the microphone at an awards banquet, or a United States congressman shouting "You lie!" at the president, we can't assume this all just happened overnight.

Why do people in the public light seem to have so little respect for each other? We've been leading up to this for years. Like the Roman arenas of two millennia ago, we seem to enjoy gathering together and watching people get ripped apart; this time, however, it is not by lions, but by other people.

TV talk shows of the 70's and 80's have evolved into slugfests on camera. People throw chairs and issue death threats, all the time listening as the audience cheers them on. Any checkout line at any major market is littered with racks full of juicy "gossip," most of it false, reporting the illnesses, failures and faults of our celebrities.

Somebody must be buying this or it wouldn't continue to be there.

Rules of decency and decorum, it seems, are for other people. They are for the "other" political party, the rest of the world, for "ordinary" people, not people like me. "You see," we rationalize, "I had the right to do what I did. I don't care what anybody else thinks."

Maybe we all need to go back to kindergarten. The teacher used to tell the children, "If you say something bad about someone, I will require you to follow it with three good things about that person." I once knew of an organization that, in their planning sessions, required someone to say three positive things about someone's idea before trying to "shoot it down."

It appears that "positive" just doesn't sell. People would rather see someone "voted off the island" or verbally butchered on a stage in front of a hostile audience during a morning talk show. Many of us feed on this, and then wonder why that person behind us in the checkout line was so rude to us.

Our rudeness is bleeding over into real

life. In one city, a man slaps a woman's child for crying in the supermarket. In another city, a minister says he's praying for the president to get sick and die. Elsewhere, a teacher gives her students a writing assignment that involves such violence and abuse that it is better not to print the subject in this newspaper. It seems that no institution is immune from this virus that is spreading through our culture.

It's time for a dose of decency. Maybe the "sane" ones in our culture need to take the lead. If you're one of those people, it can start by not honking or tailgating someone that cuts us off in traffic, or letting the rude customer go ahead of us in line; after all, neither of those things really cost us any time or money. Maybe it's not letting our kids hear us verbally abuse those people on the TV screen. It's time to make an intentional effort to be decent. No one really wants a return to the days of the Roman Circus Maximus. Let's think before we talk. Maybe we can even set an example for those athletes, stars, and national leaders who are supposed to be setting an example for us.

-DIAMONDS IN THE ALLEY-

Looking at Things in a Different Light

By Monte Wike

From the store where I worked, I had to walk west through a section of paved alley to get to the car. It was ordinary asphalt, black, cracked, well-used. I paid no attention to it; it was just an alley, a necessary walk.

Then there came the evening in late autumn. The sun was just at the right angle, and suddenly that ordinary asphalt was turned into a street of solid gold! Of course I thought of the golden street (not streets!) of heaven. From then on I became more aware of the alley, its unrecognized role in the city traffic and utilitarian purpose.

Sometime after this, I came that way after a slight drizzle. The streetlight half-way down the alley turned everything to glittering diamonds. It was a dazzling sight.

Had the alley changed? No, just the lighting, and the way I looked at things.

People are the same way. They may be ordinary, utilitarian, going about their customary jobs. No reason to notice them. They may be as close as the nearest restaurant, the clerk behind the checkout counter making the machine and money go "ding, ding." It may be a tired single mom struggling to make

ends meet working two jobs.

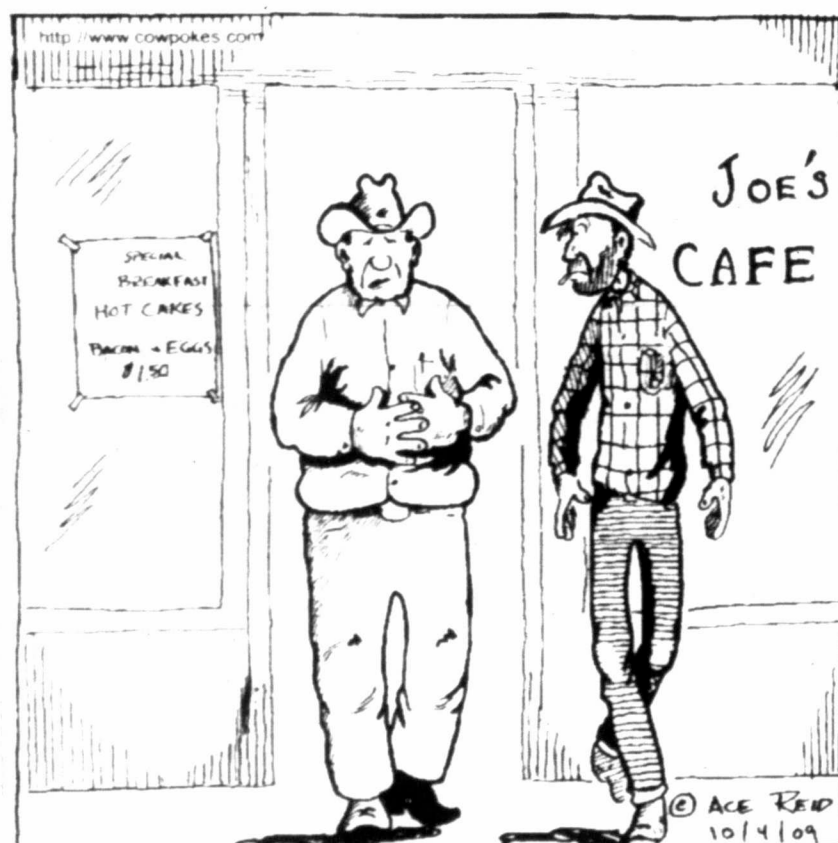
But take another look, see them in a different light. See them in your shoes, and you in theirs. All they may need is a smile, the smallest gesture of friendship and encouragement. They may need an opportunity to talk and let out their problems. They may well be a street of gold or an alley of diamonds just waiting to be discovered.

Events Calendar

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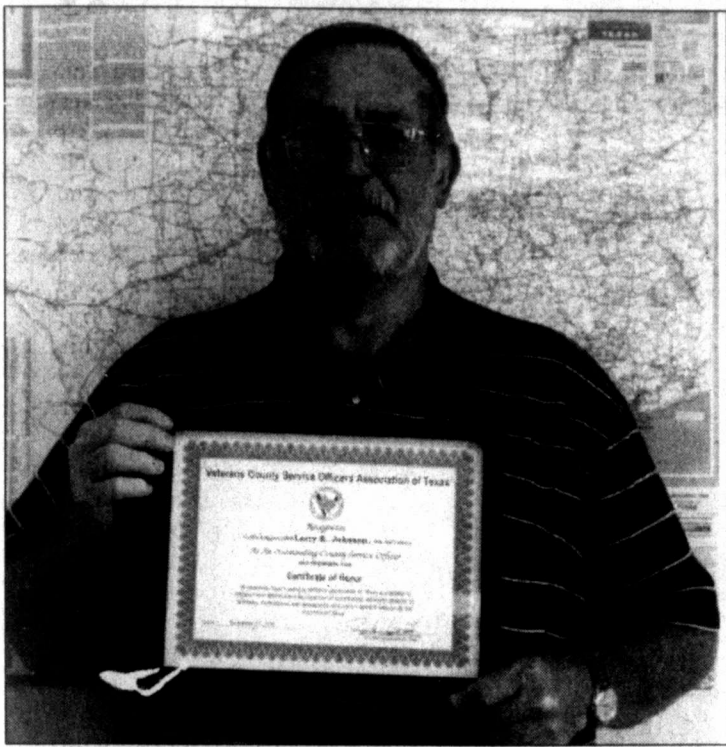
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VETERAN for Outstanding Service Officer and meeting president Jim real hard."



SAVED FROM this little g Shoemate, at the 14th Cook-Off. sale went to purchases for Volunteer (Photo by M)

LOCAL NEWS



VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER Larry Johnson received an award for Outstanding County Service Officer from the Veterans County Service Officers Association of Texas at a joint training seminar and meeting of the association recently. Presented by association president Jimmy DeFore, Johnson said he got the award for "trying real hard."

TOUR

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was to Kenny Gillespie's farm for a close up look at using salt cedar beetles to effectively control salt cedar.

The group also compared cotton varieties at the Russell Erwin Farm before returning to the CC Thompson Room for lunch and a program with guest speakers, Dr. Randy Boman, extension agronomist; Dr. Jackie Smith, extension economist; Dr. Jay Yates, extension risk management specialist and Dr. Mark Kelley, extension agronomist.

Changes in the new farm bill concerning acreage in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) will affect acreage due to come out of the program this year.

"The impact depends on what will happen," said Smith. "Up north, around 50-60,000 acres will be coming out. We'll be

looking at other types of payments."

According to Smith, those CRP payments are the primary source of income for many who enrolled in the program back in the 1980's. Options for land not eligible to go back into CRP include grazing, wildlife management or putting the land back into crop production, although Smith feels the last option would be cost prohibitive to remove the existing grass cover.

One of the factors making so much West Texas CRP land ineligible, is the move toward lands facing moisture erosion instead of wind erosion.

"The new bill reduces the number of acres and is looking at water erosion in high rainfall areas," said Smith. "There's not as high a value on wind erosion now."

BBQ

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Cindy Browne Farms and Tom Jameson in memory of their son Cody Browne. The Brownes also donated \$200 for second place brisket winner PJs and \$100 for third place winner Mad Mongoose Dog in memory of Cody Browne.

No bank teams entered this year's Traveling Trophy competition.

Fuller Foods donated the cash prize for the 1st place goat winner and the belt buckles were donated by Wood's Boots.

"We appreciate TDCJ correctional officers doing the judging, as well as all the other local citizens who assisted in judging," said Tom Carlock, assistant fire chief.

Colorado City police officers were also on duty down at the park, making themselves available to the fire department, in-

cluding one reserve officer who volunteered his time.

"We appreciate the police department patrolling the area Friday and Saturday," said Carlock. "Everything went really smooth. We didn't really have any problems at all." Police officers also donated 911 stickers.

Cloutier Sound provided karaoke Friday and the band Backroads 208 played at the dance following the awards ceremony.

Proceeds from the event help with purchase of necessary equipment and supplies.

"We might use part of the funds for a matching grant," said Martinez. "Also, we have a couple of forestry service trucks to finish up rigging the trucks with lights, radios, stuff like that."

A slide show of the cook-off will be posted on the Record's website at a later date.

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infection and its potentially severe complications. Influenza immunization efforts are focused primarily on providing vaccination to persons

at risk for seasonal influenza complications. Rates of serious illness and death are highest among persons 65 years or older.

COURT

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Precinct 4 is the only precinct to have both Democratic and Republican alternate election judges.

The commissioners also approved a resolution seeking Indigent Defense Grant funds. Mitchell County is eligible for almost \$10,000 in grant money to cover costs associated with defending the indigent.

The 2010 sheriff's and constable fees for processing and serving citations and warrants were approved by the court with no changes from previous years.

Commissioners were updated on the status of county-owned property where the county is seeking to remove or sell structures.

The previous owner of the Sickie property on the corner of 4th and Cypress has until October 30 to remove anything from the property which was purchased by the county. According to Judge Ray Mayo, Sickie has indicated his desire to try and sell the existing house and have it removed.

On other property in question, the tenants were supposed to vacate the premises by the end of September, but are still in residence. The matter has been turned over to county attorney Ty Wood.

Flu shots for county employees will be available Friday at 1 p.m. in the law library. The shots are \$20, but county employees are eligible for a \$10 rebate.

KCCB

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Church Fellowship Hall.

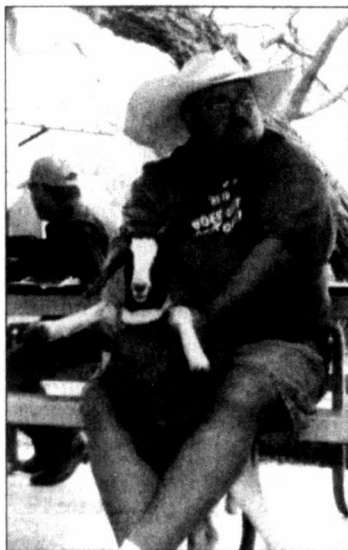
"KCCB wants and needs your help to make Colorado City a more attractive place to live," said Reily.

TOOLS

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said DPS Trooper Frank Casares, who received the kits on behalf of the DPS. "This is a good tool to have."

Since February, joint efforts by the DA's special investigators and the DPS have made three drug stops, netting close to \$3.5 million dollars, not including vehicles that were also confiscated.



SAVED FROM THE GRILL, this little goat held by Doug Shoemate, was auctioned off at the 14th annual Boer Goat Cook-Off. Proceeds from the sale went to help with equipment purchases for the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department. (Photo by Megaen Cloutier)

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We want to thank our loyal bunch of cooks who come back year after year - we could not do it without you! Also, we would like to publicly thank the following for their donations. We apologize if we failed to list your name, but please know that your support is appreciated!

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A special thank you to Sharon Myers for all her long hours and dedication to make this years Boer Goat Cook Off a big success. Without her - none of this would have been possible.

LOCAL NEWS

Belgian tourists stop off in Colorado City

Belgium is half a world away from West Texas.

But mention of the Branding Wall in a Texas travel guide brought world travelers Ed and Frieda Kooyman from Antwerp, Belgium to Colorado City Monday.

The Kooymans, who are taking a month vacation to explore Texas, were fascinated with the Wall, milo, cotton and the vast openness of Texas.

"In Belgium everything is so little, so small. Here it is wide," said Frieda. "The fields are so far. You can breathe."

Their lightning tour of Texas has included Padre Island, Big Bend and the Guadalupe Mountains. They plan on visiting San Antonio, Dallas, Abilene and Austin before heading back home.

"This is our fourth time in the states," said Ed. "Every time we visit a different region. We love

it."

"This is kind of a boy's dream to me," said Ed who has played a 5-string banjo in a three-piece band for the past 40 years. His trio has produced 10 albums and played in Germany, France, and Denmark for festivals. Although the lyrics are in the Antwerp language the music is "kinda country," said Ed, whose love for the banjo began when he was 14-15 years old, listening to Peter Yarrow of Peter, Paul and Mary fame.

"I heard the records, which were very rare in Belgium. We had to order them from England," said Ed, who played the mandolin at the time.

"In Belgium it is not easy to find a 5-string banjo," he said. His first one was a Japanese version, but he later upgraded to a good London-made banjo. Three or four years ago, on a trip to Colorado, Ed finally got a very

good one in Durango.

His daughter also has a country folk band, *Kandoris*, and dad is an integral part of the combo on the banjo.

It is the differences from their hometown that appeal to the Kooymans.

"Small towns in Belgium are totally different," said Frieda. The first obvious difference is the lack of small shops providing the basic necessities of life — the butcher, the baker, the small cafe. The concept of getting all one's groceries in one store is vastly different.

While Belgium shops have lots of different bread choices, Frieda likes the long white American sliced bread best.

"I like American butter more than Belgium butter," she said, adding she also likes McDonalds and American pancakes.

House construction is also different in Belgium, where ev-

ery home is built small and with stone.

History also has a more personal aspect in Belgium, where events from World War II still impact present day life.

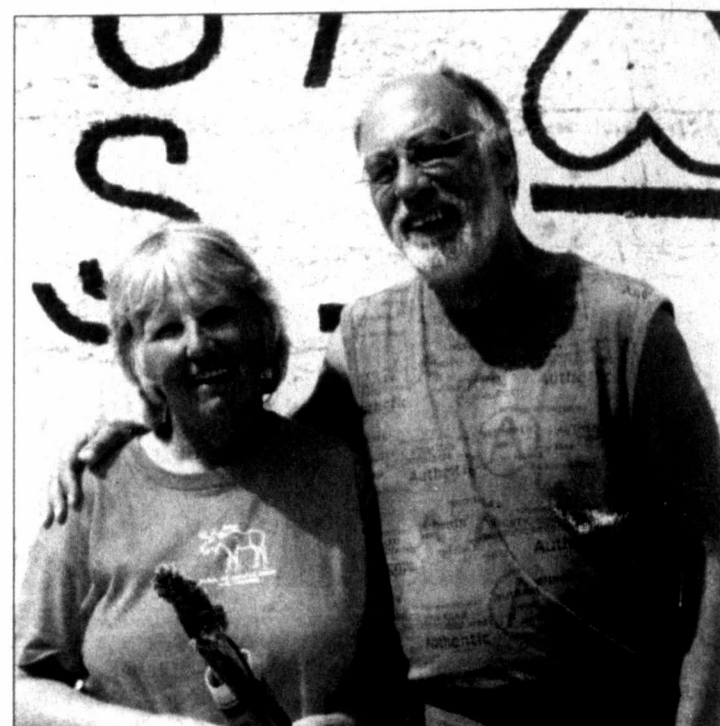
Frieda's grandfather was killed and her mother severely crippled during an American bombing attack on Antwerp when a bomb landed on her grandparents' home. "The war always stays in the family," she said.

"Belgium is a sad country," she said.

Yet it is the friendly openness of Americans that draw the Kooymans back again and again to the States for their vacation.

"We like the friendly open attitude of Americans," said Ed. "You can see it everywhere."

For more information on the Kooymans or to listen to their music, visit www.kandoris.be or www.myspace.com/edkooymanhermanvanhaeren.



LONG WAY FROM home, Frieda and Ed Kooyman stop off in Colorado City to view the Branding Wall. The Kooymans call Belgium home.

Awareness, preparedness vital keys to fire safety

The week of October 4-10 is National Fire Prevention Week.

The nation-wide emphasis is to promote burn awareness and prevention.

Here are some fast facts about fire you may not know:

Eighty-three percent of all fire deaths resulted from home fires.

About 1/3 of home fires and deaths happen in the months of December, January and February.

Unattended cooking is the leading cause of home fires; while smoking materials are the leading cause of fire deaths (roughly one in four).

Approximately half of the people arrested for arson are under age 18.

For more information on Fire Prevention Week and ways to protect your home, visit www.nfpa.org or check with your local fire department.

Create financial security in any economy

(ARA) — Virtually everyone today is feeling the affect of the current economy; none of us is untouched by it. Here's the good news. If you can anticipate financial changes and develop a sound financial plan, you can protect yourself and your family today, and for many years to come.

Achieve financial security by following five basic steps:

1. Begin an emergency cash fund.

* Create a savings account and resolve to pay yourself first by setting aside 5 to 10 percent of your salary each month.

* Automatically transfer money from your checking account to your savings so that you're not tempted to spend the funds elsewhere.

* Aim to save three to six months of living expenses in the account for emergencies.

2. Pay off your credit cards

* Credit card debt is the No. 1 obstacle to a secure financial future, and knowing your credit score is essential.

3. Create a financial plan using life insurance as the foundation.

* Purchase life insurance. It is the foundation of a strong financial plan and can protect your family during an unexpected turn of events, such as loss of life or loss of income.

* Educate yourself. Certain types of policies accumulate cash value that can be used for larger expenses, such as college, while others may be used to help create a legacy of giving that can last for

generations to come.

* An insufficient life insurance plan can expose your family to significant financial risks. To learn more about life insurance, call (866) 331-3078 and speak with a life insurance specialist with SBLI USA, a company that specializes in life insurance policies. Or, go to www.sbliusa.com to get a free, no-obligation quote.

4. Empower yourself by creating a budget

* Be prudent with your spending. Write down everything you spend each month and cut back on non-essentials.

* Apply these savings toward

reducing your credit card debt. Start by paying off your high-interest cards first.

* Explain to your family that everyone needs to contribute to the expense cutting. Making it a family effort will increase everyone's willpower.

* Use cost-cutting strategies to make the most of your budget. For example, pay in cash and remove credit cards from your wallet. Re-evaluate extra phone and television features. Or, consider eating at home more often, skipping the movie out and enjoying a night of board games with your family.

5. Optimize your retirement

plan

* Many companies offer a 401(k) plan and may match your contributions. Take advantage of these deferred income tax benefits; you could be missing out on free money.

* If your work doesn't allow you to participate in a 401(k), consider opening up an IRA; or perhaps both. There are different types of IRAs, so before deciding, investigate your options and find the best IRA type for you.

* Remember, these are long-term retirement plans not short-term savings plans, so be patient and give your money time to grow.

Garden Club learns techniques

The Colorado City Garden Club held its regular monthly meeting on October 2 at Bama's. Twenty members were present and two guests, Bobbie Banks and Janet Mayo were introduced. After lunch the program "Nature in Art" was presented by Carolyn Walker. Mrs. Walker is a long time artist and art teacher in Colorado City. She demonstrated the water color composition of the painting of a rose. The group enjoyed watching her work as she told stories of teaching and inspiring students in her art classes.

The business meeting was called to order by co-president, Carol Compton. The minutes and treasurer's reports were read and approved. Members who participated in the events during September, were recognized and thanked. The Garden Club decorated the Civic House for the Colorado City Reunion, and Sally Neff provided a meal for participants in Junktique.

Members were reminded of the upcoming district convention and state convention in October. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Hostesses for the meeting were Bobbie Johnson, Nell Gainey, Marcelene Cox, and Georgie Griffith. Other members present were Dovie Brownfield, Ray Anne Carlock, Laverne Chalk, Carol Compton, Janie Lou Greenlee, Janie Henderson, Faye Nell Herm, Nelda Hill, Gay Houston, Joa Lemons, Jo Ann Merket, Sally Neff, Brooksie Raschke, Wilma Reynolds, Margaret Sparks, and Margaret Trulock.

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Study Bible

From time to time, problems and the stresses in life get to us. When we are discouraged, it is common for us to hang our heads. Rather than moping around, let us understand that the Lord is our shield and He will lift up our heads (v.3). The Lord is our source of encouragement.

There are also times in life when no matter what we do, everything seems to blow up in our faces. After a steady diet of failure, our appetites begin to fail us. Nothing seems to satisfy our cravings. When we lay down at night, we do not rest. The good news is that the Lord sustains us (v.5). He provides us with rest and satisfaction from hunger (Matthew 11:28-30; 5:6).

The true source of encouragement, rest and spiritual fulfillment is found in the salvation of the Lord (v.8). Without the Lord, we are lost and have no hope. The good news is that Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10). There is no other name wherein we can be saved (Acts 4:12). If you are searching for encouragement, rest, sustaining power, and salvation, they are found in the Lord. If you need spiritual help, we would love to help you find the Lord.

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LOCAL NEWS



FIRST PLACE WINNERS in the Jackpot Brisket category at the Boer Goat Cook-Off were the Elite Force cooks Zane Whitesides, Thomas Huff, and Kyle Bailey (center l-r). Presenting the belt buckles in memory of son Cody Browne were Cindy and Michael Browne (left) and Chief Rufino Martinez (right). Photo courtesy of Megaen Cloutier.



FRIENDLIEST CAMP WINNERS -- Members of the Inlaws N Outlaws (from left) Cary Pierce, Bobby Henderson, Tommy Henderson and Chalyn Henderson receive a plaque from Chief Rufino Martinez. Photo by Megaen Cloutier

Valley Fair receives excellent state survey

According to Marsha Rickard, Valley Fair Lodge had a "really glorious" state survey in September. Rickard reported to hospital board members that during the annual state audit, inspectors found only three minor deficiencies with the long term care facility.

The minor deficiencies included client inactivity. Rickard explained that inspectors meet with clients to hear any complaints, and that's just what they hear. "One resident complained that she didn't get to play tennis and another wanted to go bowling," Rickard said.

The two other deficiencies issued to the institution dealt with Valley Fair's only pediatric patient who is 11 years old. The lodge was unable to produce an advanced directive document for the patient and did not have a policy and procedures manual for the pediatric patient.

"I didn't know we have to have them (policies and procedures for the pediatric patient)," Rickard said. "So I told them I'd take a tag on something I didn't know I needed any day."

Rickard expressed her appreciation of the management group at Valley Fair and the group at the hospital. "We've got magnificent support," she said. "I can't tell you how nice it is to have competent people supporting you."

Rickard and Hospital CEO Karl Stinson were particularly pleased that the new kitchen at the facility received no deficiency tags.

Jay Quebedeaux, representative of the VFL management group, reported that the money side of the home has also improved, going from a \$250,000 operating loss last year to a \$150,000 gain this year.

"Accounts receivable is under 20 days, and we haven't lost money since last January," he said.

Quebedeaux also urged people to go online and check out Valley Fair's quality standard index. The number currently stands at 81, third out of 20 area facilities comparable to Valley Fair Lodge. Those interested should do a search on nursing home compare.

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*We apologize sincerely if we left off any participant's name,
we so much appreciate each of you.*

SOCIETY

TWO SPECIAL VISITORS to Story Time at the library, Sophie and Izzie, had fun with the kids on September 30th. Those attending learned about pets, made puppy dog puppets and enjoyed spending time with their special dog guests. Those pictured are Tucker Fuller, Hunter Fuller, Evelyn Lara, Topanga Kelsey, Librarian Cheryl Johnson, Sophie, Nicholas Molina and Izzie. Mayson Monroe was not pictured. (Photo by Brigada Hiser)



KCCB MEMBERS HOSTED a hamburger supper in Ruddick Park to celebrate the year's accomplishments. Jesse Hernandez cooked burgers for attendees including Bobbie Banks.

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Menu for the week of October 12-15:

Monday, October 12

Stuffed Bell Peppers, Scalloped Potatoes, Okra, Salad, Hot Roll

Tuesday, October 13

Baked Ham, Cabbage, Macaroni & Cheese, Salad, Cornbread

Wednesday, October 14

Garlic Chicken Melt, Pasta, Venetian Vegetables, Salad, Hot Roll

Thursday, October 15

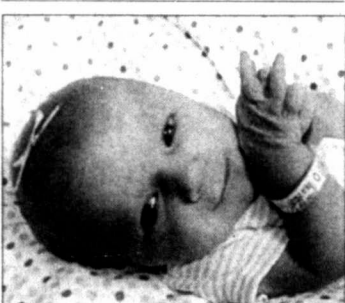
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Matthew and Hannah Wilson of Colorado City would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Reinie Kail Wilson.

She was born September 28, 2009, at 4:45 p.m. at Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Roy and Brenda Wilson of Colorado City and Bluford Holland of Blackwell and Marcy Holland of Rotan.

Great-grandparents are Billie Faye Conard of Colorado City and Tommy and Sherry Mesick of Aspermont.

Hamburger supper held to show KCCB appreciation

Ruddick Park was the setting Thursday, September 24, for the Keep Colorado City Beautiful appreciation hamburger supper for all the Adopt-a-Lot sponsors and the winners of Yard of the Month.

Winners of the drawing for \$100 were Susan Anderson and Sue Mason for their lot which is located on 2nd street.

There was a large turnout for the get-together, and KCCB

donated all the remaining hamburgers to the Police Department in appreciation of the work they do everyday. Jesse and Lisa Hernandez are appreciated for cooking the burgers.

Two Adopt-a-lots that need special mention are the lot located at Austin and 15th Street sponsored by Julio Garcia with the POW/MIA flags and sign. And the Golden Girls' lot located next to USA Burrito with the painted

Welcome Home sign and plants. This is part of the beautification portion of the Keep Texas Beautiful contest.

The recycle trailer located across the street from the City National Bank on Third Street is now empty. The majority of cans were collected from the Children's Can-Crushing Contest back in July. KCCB encourages that all aluminum can donations should be put inside the trailer.

Library book sale Oct. 16

The Friends of the Library will hold a book sale all day Friday, October 16 from 9 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, October 17 from 9 a.m. until noon at the Mitchell County Public Library.

Books will be sold on a donation basis until the last hour when they will sell for \$5 for all you can put in a grocery bag. There will also be a table of free books.

The Friends of the Library will

take donated books to add to the sale. All donated books should be dropped off at the library as soon as possible, so they can be processed and readied for the sale.

Benefits from the sale and from memorial donations go back into the library. This year, the Friends of the Library members furnished a lounge area for the newly redecorated library, including comfortable chairs,

rug and table. They also provided funds for a large mural to cover the north wall in the children's section.

Friends of the Library also furnished a table for authors at the Junktique Jamboree, and they are currently shopping for stools to use at the computer tables in the library.

Meetings of the Friends of the Library will be held on the third Monday of each month at 4:30 p.m. in the Hesperian Room at the library.

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SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL MENUS



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK this week are Syrrah Tenorio, Adrian Matos, and M'Leah Alexander.

Hutch names students of the week

Students of the Week have been chosen at Hutchinson Elementary. They are Syrrah Tenorio, Adrian Matos and M'Leah Alexander.

Syrrah, daughter of Crystal White, is a third grader in Mrs. Geiger's class. She enjoys spending time with her poodle, Blonde, and spelling is her favorite subject.

Syrrah says P.E. with Coach A is her favorite thing at her school.

Adrian, a fourth grader in Mrs. Johns' class, is the son of Erica and James Matos. He has a dog named Spike, and science is his favorite subject. Adrian says his favorite things at Hutchinson are the custodians.

M'Leah, daughter of Mike and Melinda Alexander, is a fifth grader in Mrs. Stone's class. Her favorite subject is math, and she enjoys spending time with her pets, Oreo, Wild Cat and Puma. M'Leah says the teachers are her favorite at Hutchinson Elementary.



CISD MATH TEACHERS grades 6-12 attended a math TAKS preparation workshop Friday, October 2 led by Kathy Hale, Region 14 math consultant.

CISD Head Start Breakfast Menu Oct 12-16
Monday - dry cereal, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Tuesday - breakfast bites, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Wednesday - yogurt, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Thursday - dry cereal, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Friday - scrambled eggs, toast, chilled juice, milk.

CISD Head Start Lunch Menu Oct 12-16
Monday - pizza, green beans, pears, milk.
Tuesday - scrambled eggs w/ bacon, tater tots, toast w/ jelly, crushed pineapple, milk.
Wednesday - hot dog on a bun, pork n beans, orange peaches, milk.
Thursday - tuna noodle casserole, mixed veggies, mixed fruit, milk.
Friday - ham n cheese chunks, 1/2 slice of bread, pickle spears, peaches, milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem. Breakfast Menu Oct 12-16
Monday - dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Tuesday - pancakes, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Wednesday - French toast sticks, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Thursday - scrambled egg, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Friday - breakfast burrito, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem. Lunch Menu Oct 12-16
Monday - chicken nuggets, potatoes with gravy, sweet peas, hot roll, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Tuesday - mac n cheese, golden corn, texas toast, fresh fruit, choice of milk.
Wednesday - pizza, glazed carrots, green beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Thursday - tacos, spicy pinto beans, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Friday - cheese burgers, fries, lettuce cup, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Colorado Middle School Breakfast Menu Oct 12-16
Monday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Tuesday - dry cereal, biscuit, French toast w/ syrup, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Wednesday - dry cereal, biscuit, scrambled egg, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

scrambled egg w/ toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - dry cereal, biscuit, breakfast pizza, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage and biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Colorado High School Breakfast Menu Oct 12-16
Monday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, French toast sticks, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, scrambled eggs and biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, breakfast bites, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, biscuit and gravy, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

CMS & CHS Lunch Menu Oct 12-16

Monday - pizza, fries, green beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday - sweet n sour pork, rice, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - steak fingers, potatoes, gravy, sweet peas, hot rolls, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday - nacho grande, spicy pintos, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Friday - cheeseburger on bun, fries, lettuce cup, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Loraine ISD Breakfast Menu Oct 12-16

Monday - cereal, toast, fruit, milk.

Tuesday - French toast w/ syrup, cereal, juice, milk.

Wednesday - sausage/potatoes/tortilla, cereal, fruit, milk.

Thursday - breakfast burritos, cereal, fruit, milk.

Friday - eggs toast, cereal, juice, milk.

Loraine ISD Lunch Menu Oct 12-16

Monday - corn dogs/ mustard, pork n beans, squash, baby carrots, pudding, milk.

Tuesday - enchiladas, salsa, Spanish rice, salad, pears, milk.

Wednesday - baked chicken, mashed potatoes, waldorf salad, jell-o with topping, bread, milk.

Thursday - spaghetti w/ meat sauce, corn on the cob, peas, peaches, milk.

Friday - pizza, tater tots, salad/ dressing, orange halves, milk.

Westbrook ISD Breakfast Menu Oct 12-16

Monday - donuts, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - egg and cheese burrito, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday - toast w/ jelly, yogurt, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Thursday - sausage, gravy, biscuits & jelly, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Friday - pancake pups, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Westbrook ISD Lunch Menu Oct 12-16

Monday - hot dog, oven fried potatoes, apple and orange smiles, sherbet cup, milk.

Tuesday - enchiladas, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon apples, milk.

Wednesday - teriyaki chicken, rice pilaf, English peas, cinnamon apple-sauce, garlic bread stick, milk.

Thursday - taco salad, seasoned corn, fruited gelatin, brownie, milk.

Friday - stew, grilled cheese sandwich, fresh broccoli w/ ranch, strawberries and peaches, saltine crackers, milk.

Westbrook to hold fall festival

The Westbrook ISD annual fall festival will be held on Saturday, October 24.

Booths, sponsored by the pre-kindergarten through 11th grade classes, will open at 5:30 p.m. in the old gym. The junior class auction will be held in the library beginning at 6 p.m. and concessions will be in the cafeteria.

Following the festival, the coronation ceremony will be held in the auditorium beginning at 9 p.m.

Proceeds raised at the festival go toward various class projects, as well as funding for the senior trip.

Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

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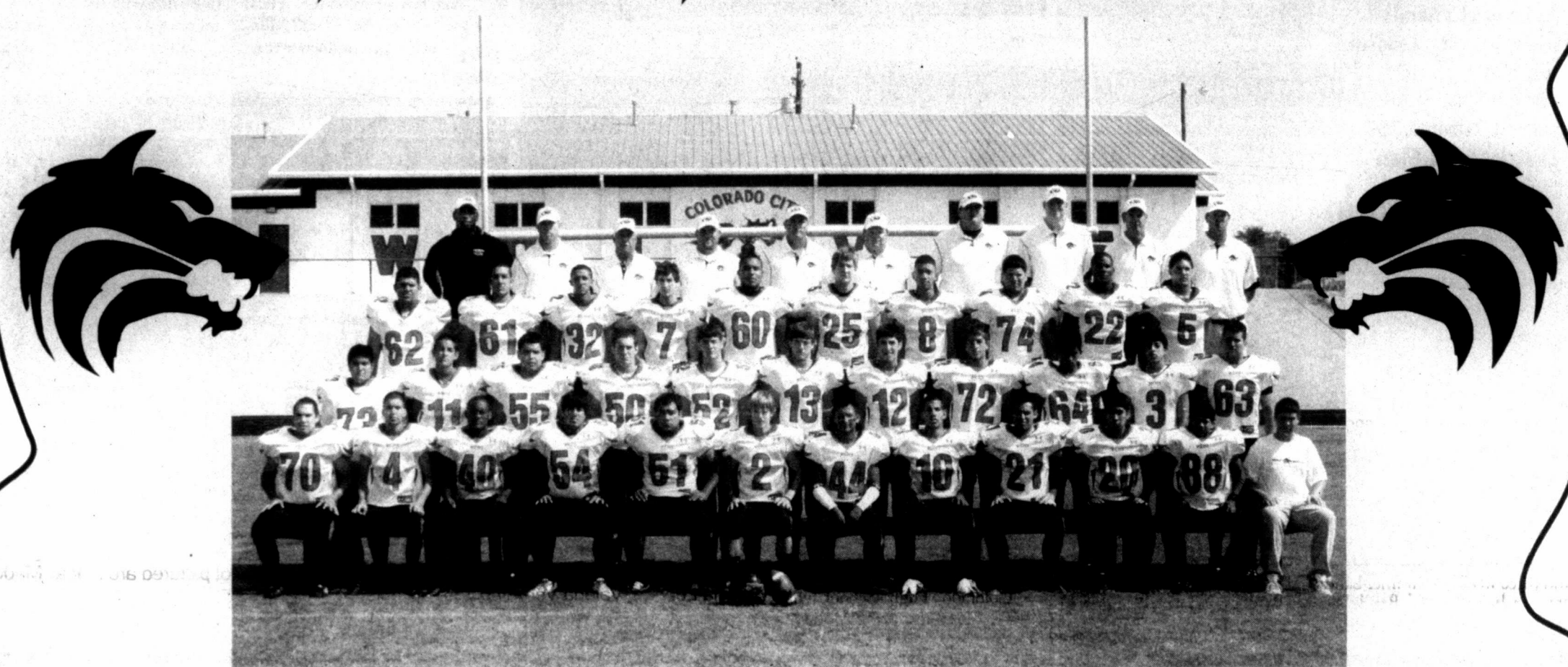
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2009 COLORADO WOLVES football team: (front row, l-r) Kris Rivera, Ronald Aoyama, Tracy Russell, Adam Gonzales, Jacob Martinez, Derek Gainey, Jesse Salazar, Jessie Guerra, Chris Guerrero, Jason Rodriguez, Isaac Yanez, manager Doug Bell; (second row) A.J. Coronado, Michael Hernandez, Johnathon Luera, Jarred Lynch, Kyler Free, Tylor Lorenz, Nick Reyna, Landon Pfeuffer, Joe Salazar, Andrew Muñoz, Christian McKinney; (third row) Shawn Rees, Ryan Rivera, Chris Madrid, Tyler Hammond, Eli Farrell, Tyler Higgins, Benny Jones, Frankie Atkinson, Jamarcus Brooks, J.C. Johnson; (back row) Film Crew Darryl Payne, Coach Clay White, Coach Jerold Epper-son, Coach Brantlee Lemons, Athletic Director Frank Johnson, Coach/Trainer Harold Sowa, Coach B.J. Graham, Coach Barry Kimball, Coach Dan Gainey and Coach Kevin Wright.

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SPORTS

STANDINGS

District 7-2A

Colorado City	4-1
Coahoma	3-2
Jim Ned	3-2
Wall	3-2
Ballinger	2-3
Grape Creek	1-4

This Week's Games

Ballinger at Wall, 7:30
Coahoma at Jim Ned, 7:30
Colorado City at Grape Creek, 7:30

District 7 Six-Man

Division I

Aspermont	5-0
Ira	5-0
Lenorah Grady	3-2
Loraine	2-2
Spur	2-2
O'Donnell	2-3

Last Week's Scores

Ira 34, Rankin 26
Aspermont 28, Rule 16

This Week's Games

Aspermont at Lenorah Grady, 7:30
Ira at Spur, 7:30
Loraine at O'Donnell, 7:30

District 6 Six-Man

Division II

Ackerly Sands	6-0
Borden County	6-0
Grandfalls-Royalty	2-3
Buena Vista	2-4
Westbrook	1-5

Last Week's Scores

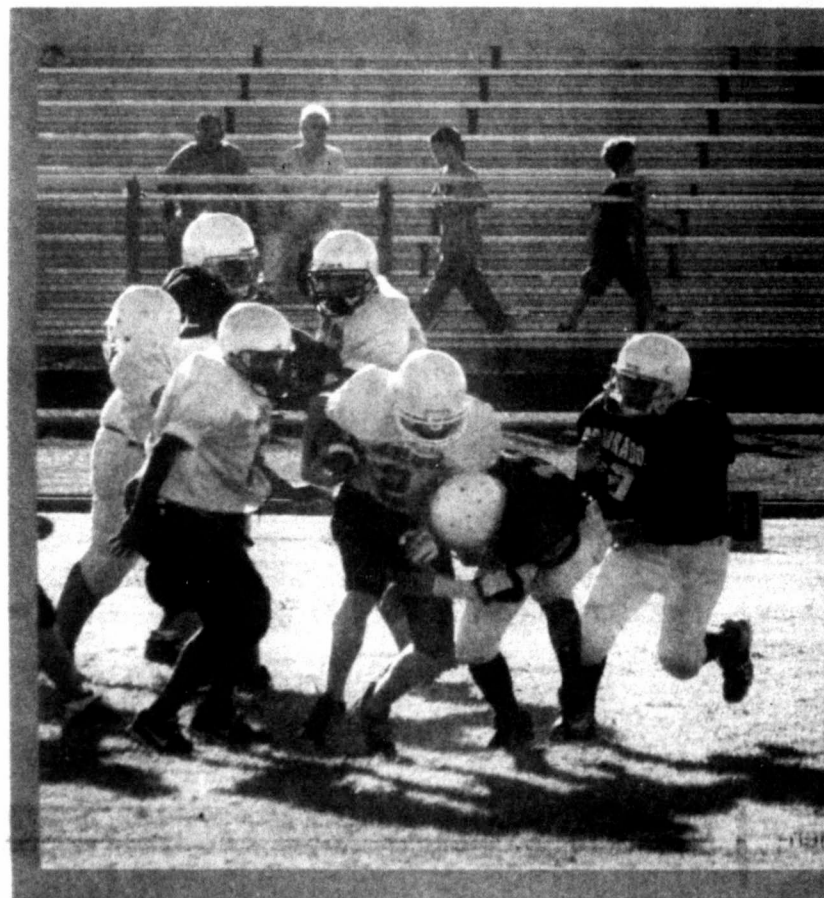
Ackerly Sands 50, Dawson 28
Sanderson 48, Buena Vista 8
Borden County 70, Sterling City 20
Southland 46, Westbrook 0

This Week's Games

Borden County at Buena Vista, 7:30
Westbrook at Grandfalls-Royalty, 7:30



EIGHT GRADER RANKIN BULLARD bulldozed his way past Anson defenders during last Thursday's game. The Wolves went down under Anson's onslaught 20-6. (Photo by Sammi Thomson)



PUTTING UP A FEROCIOUS fight against Anson, the seventh grade Wolves kept it a close game until the bitter end, losing to Anson 20-14. (Photo by Cody Thomas)

CHS Wolves start district play Friday against Grape Creek

It's the calm before the storm! The District 7-2A District storm, that it.

The Wolves tuned up their fundamentals during last week's open date and begin preparations for Grape Creek Monday.

Colorado City's second season starts Friday in Grape Creek against the 1-4 Eagles. Other district games include Coahoma at Jim Ned and Ballinger at Wall.

The Wolves finished the non-district schedule with a district-leading 4-1 record followed by pre-season favorite Jim Ned at 3-2, Coahoma (3-2) and Wall (3-2).

Ballinger starts district at 2-3 while Grape Creek finished the non-district schedule at 1-4.

"Wall has surprised me," Head Coach Frank Johnson said Monday. "They're playing better than expected."

Injured players Jamarcus Brooks and J.C. Johnson had a week to heal, and Coach Johnson said Monday both will be ready to play Friday if they don't get hurt in practice this week.

Tyler Hammond and Adam Gonzales have been lost for the year because of injuries.

It will be no easy task in Grape Creek this Friday night. The Eagles have lost games to three undefeated teams and always are a tough foe for the Wolves.

They have a good running back, according to Coach Johnson.

"We had trouble with him last year," Johnson said. "We've got to be focused. Coming off a bye week, the teams that stay focused this week during workouts will most likely be the most successful come Friday night," he said.

Game time is 7:30 p.m. in Grape Creek.

THIS WEEK

FOOTBALL

Colorado City
7th & 8th vs. Grape Creek, T, Thursday, 5, 6 p.m.
JV vs. Grape Creek, Thursday, H, 6 p.m.
Varsity vs. Grape Creek, T, 7:30 p.m.

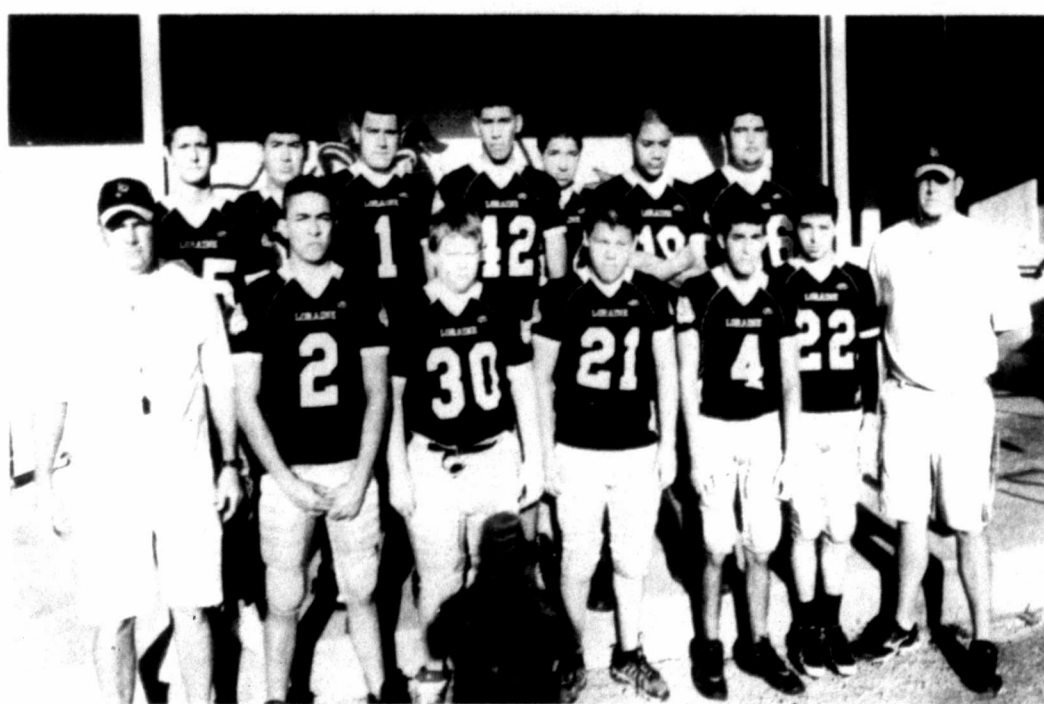
Loraine
JH vs. O'Donnell, Thursday, H
JV vs. O'Donnell, Thursday, H
Varsity vs. O'Donnell, Friday, H

Westbrook
JH vs. Grandfalls-Royalty, H, 5:30 p.m.
Varsity vs. Grandfalls-Royalty, T, 7:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Colorado City
Freshmen & JV vs. Eastland, Saturday, T, 5, 6, 7:30 p.m.
Varsity vs. Grape Creek, Monday, T, TBA
7thA, 8thA vs. Midland Trinity, Saturday, T, 11 a.m., 12 p.m.
Loraine
Varsity vs. Miles, Saturday-T, 1 p.m. and Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.
JH vs. Veribest, Monday, T, 5:30 p.m.
Varsity vs. Sterling City, Tuesday, H, 6:30 p.m.

GO BULLDOGS



MEMBERS OF THE 2009 Loraine Bulldog football team are: (back row, l-r) Brandon Gibson, Andy Limones, Rafael Acevedo, Toby Garza, Josh Diaz, Carlos Lopez, Mario Lopez; (front row) Coach Dale Means, Jacob Benivamondez, Sean Casey, Damian Garcia, Anthony Gonzales, and David Diaz.

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SPORTS

Lady Wolves improve record to 2-0 in district with win over Dublin

The Lady Wolves' volleyball team racked up their second district win last Saturday against Dublin at the Pit.

Colorado City faced the Dublin Lions and won 3 sets to 0, 25-15, 25-22, 15-12.

Laura Warren's serve rotation earned the Lady Wolves 6 points in a row in the first set.

"In the second set, we got a little too relaxed and stopped moving our feet," said Coach Anita Graham. "We let Dublin back into the set, but then we had a long rally with them going back and forth about four times and we won the point."

From that point on, the Lady Wolves woke up and finished the game with Emily Hicks serving



Laura Warren



Erin Graham



Michelle Billingsley



Candice Aoyama

the last 3 points.

The girls played tough in the third game and never let the Lady Lions back in the game.

Erin Graham's serve rotation added 6 points in a row during the last set.

Erin Graham led her team in aces with 3, Laura Warren had 2 and Candice Aoyama had 1.

Graham also led her team in attacks with 10. Her teammates Alyssa Bonner had 8, and Michelle Billingsley had 3.

Billingsley took the lead defensively, earning 5 blocks,

with Ava Macedo and Amanda Arispe each getting 2.

Aoyama was on top with 8 digs, Warren had 6 and Kayley Molina added 4.

The Lady Wolves' record stands at 2-0 in district and 19-12 overall.

The JV squad improved their district record to 2-0, adding to their overall record of 17-9 with a win against Dublin.

The freshmen squad also beat the Lady Lions in 2 sets, 25-13 and 26-24.

Colorado City comes up against the Eastland Lady Mavericks this Saturday in Eastland. The JV game begins at noon with the varsity contest following.



HUNTERS PARTICIPATING IN the annual youth dove hunt, held each year by Game Warden Randy Bullard, were: (front row, l-r) Rylan Gardner, Brandon Thomas, Rankin Bullard, Nick Perez, Nathan Perez, Cason Smith, Jonathan Blasingame, Macy Bullard, Cody Tolle, Brandon Nava; (back row) Jay Haggerton, David Garza, Felipe Garcia, Josh Sutton, Jonathan Martinez, Jonathan Jackson, Joe Arguijo, Joshua Ludwig, Douglas Garcia, Leevon Henderson and Damian Huff.

Dove hunt engages 21 kids

Game Warden Randy Bullard conducted the annual youth dove hunt on September 26, with 21 kids participating in the event.

Along with the actual hunt, the youth learned gun safety, practiced clay shooting with 20 gauge and 12 gauge shotguns, practiced .22 handgun shooting, and concluded with a hamburger supper provided by the Colorado City Rotary Club.

The Rotary Club and Higginbotham-Bartlett provided food and equipment for the event, and Robert Cox made available the use of his facilities for the hunt.

Volunteer guides for the hunt were Charles Rice, Shaun Rees, Mark Tolle, Tim Warren and Panhandle Game Wardens.

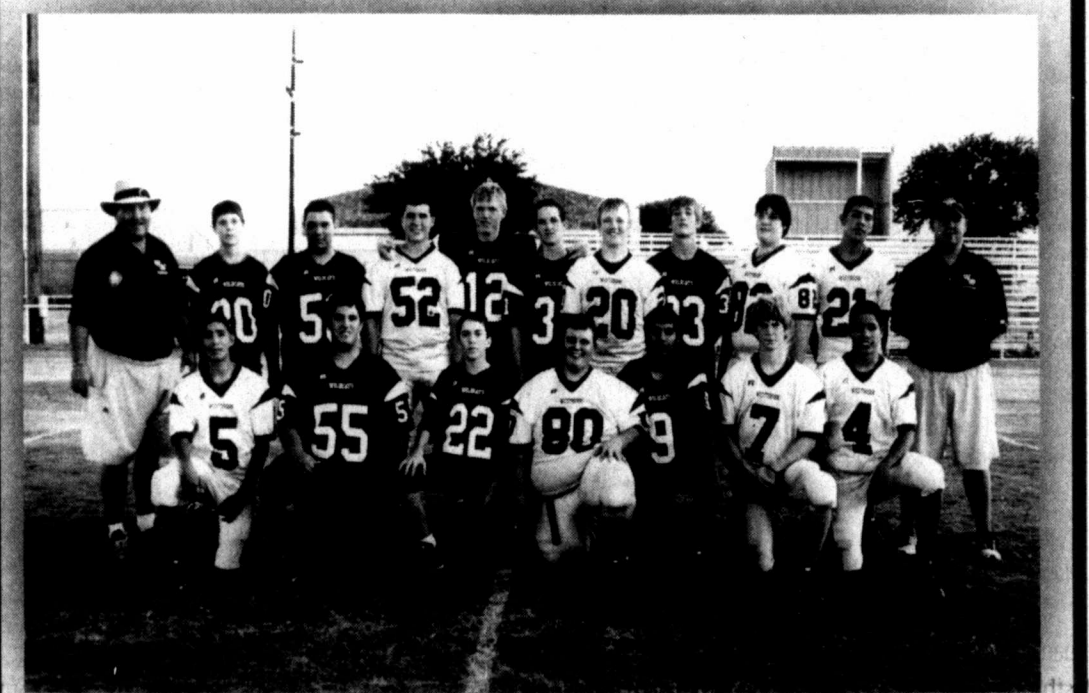
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Edwin Williams, Deceased, were issued on September 29, 2009, in Docket No. 5197 in the County Court of Mitchell County, Texas, to Michael Frank.

The residence of the Independent Executor is in Mitchell County, Texas, and the post office address is: c/o Ty J Wood, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 1069, Colorado City, Texas 79512.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated the 29th day of September, 2009.

Ty J Wood

Attorney for the Estate

BID NOTICES

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

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Dist/Div: Abilene

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Abilene, Texas 79604-0150

Phone: 325-676-6800

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LORRAINE NEWS

**By Bessie Ann Vaughn
Lorraine Correspondent**

From reading in an Abilene newspaper and calling E-On, Comet and Renewables, I have learned that the Roscoe wind farms are the largest wind turbine farms in the world.

There are four farms having among them 6,027 wind turbines, producing 781.5 megawatts. The turbines are Mitsubishi, G.E. and Siemens manufacturers.

The energy from all this outstanding and ambitious endeavor went online in September. Congratulations E-On, Comet and Renewables.

Judy Macha from Lockney came to Lorraine last Tuesday afternoon and returned home on Friday. While here she went to the center to have lunch on Wednesday.

On Thursday, Judy and Penny Mitchell took Elnora to the podiatrist, and her foot is healing well.

I spoke with Shirley Summers Monday morning, and she mentioned that her little brother and wife, Lee and Donna, are back home once again in Lorraine after three months on the road.

They are truck drivers and stay busy, Shirley said. "It's so nice to have them here for a while."

A men's breakfast will take

place on the 2nd Saturday of each month. On Saturday, October 10th at 8 a.m. men should go to the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall for the first breakfast this fall.

All men are welcome. Please bring a friend. You will enjoy good food, good fellowship and a good devotional. Please use the east glass door.

The women's salad supper was held in the fellowship hall of the Methodist Church Monday evening, October 5th. Tommie Williams gave a short devotional which was well received.

There were 17 ladies in attendance which was considered a nice crowd for the first meeting in such a long time. The ladies enjoyed a lot of good food and good fellowship.

The Texas Community Development Grant, a state grant, has recently awarded \$250,000 to Lorraine to assist in building a new water tower. Also from Texas Community Development people, a planning grant in the amount of \$30,000 has also been awarded for future needs.

These grants were awarded after a request in writing and in a strong plea for aid. These grants will be a tremendous help to the city and residents. We, as a community, are very grateful.

Wanza Graham told me that Brenda Linam was dismissed from an Abilene hospital and is now in Rolling Plains Hospital in Sweetwater. She is making progress but still needs more help. Her room number is #136.

Helen and Hershall Williams have had the company of her niece, Delores Grimes from Nacogdoches. She came last Friday and they have had a good visit. She returned home on Monday, October 5.

Visiting with Doris Henderson and Jay Henderson last Sunday were her children, Brad and Penny Henderson and daughter, Morgan Henderson, all of Midland. They had a nice visit with each other and also enjoyed a nice dinner.

Providing special music at the Methodist Church last Sunday was Sharon and Ron Mayberry who sang, "How Great Thou Art." Ron played guitar.

Having birthdays in October at the Methodist Church are Delbert Joiner, Billie Powell, Wanda Applin, Evelyn White, Jason Kendall and Carson Edmonds.

The Critter Landlady remarked that she has some of the sweetest little praying mantis living at her house that she talks to everyday.

One got on the hood of her car recently, and I have a feeling he was praying that she didn't drive too fast.

They have little gizmos that look like little hands. They eat bugs, but the landlady probably made them some cream gravy to dip the bugs in.

It might be a good idea if we all had some praying going on all around us, so bring on the critters; just the sweet ones.

Debbie Mitchell and Judy Beasley visited and had lunch at the center last Wednesday.

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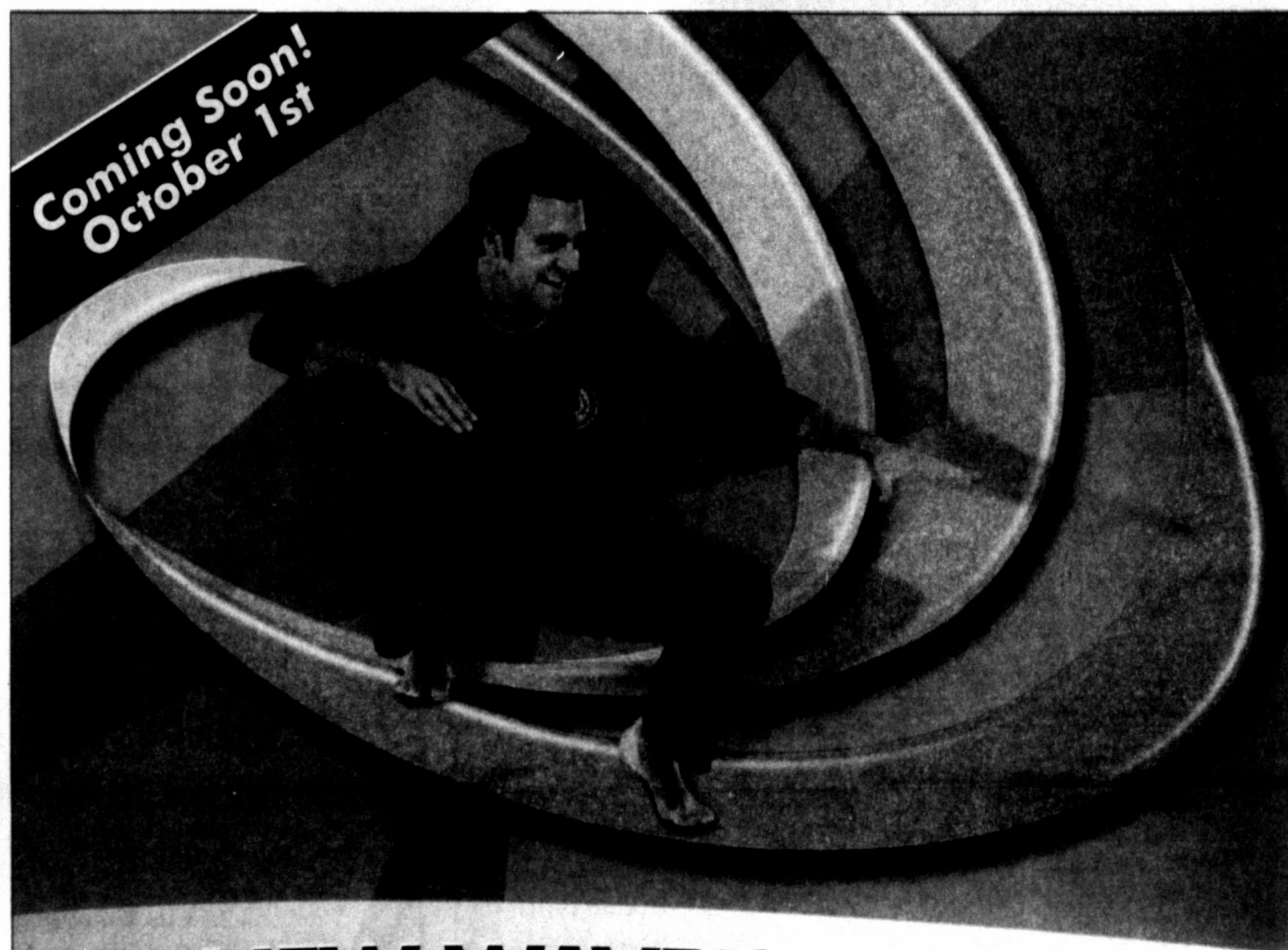
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ALL FIRED UP -- Lorraine cheerleaders Irene Meza, Alexi Lamborene, Kristin Harris, Brilee Young, Charlie Neeley, Dehvan Neeley, Madeline Gibson and Brianna Beltran raise the roof at a pep rally. Photo by Alisha Morris.



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