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Answerline

Q. When does early voting begin for the March 14th primary?
A. Early voting begins Monday, Feb. 28.

Briefly

Medical Fund

There has been a medical fund set up for Doris Pharris at City National Bank to help pay her medical expenses.

Winter Wonderland

The Hutchinson Elementary Winter Wonderland is coming up in February. The event will have games, food, and fun for the whole family. Watch for more information.

Census Employment

Employment testing for temporary Census jobs will be held at CNB at the following times: Feb. 1, 9:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m.; Feb. 5, 10 a.m., 5:30 p.m.; Feb. 8, 1:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m.; Feb. 15, 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.; Feb. 22, 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.; Feb. 29, 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. Applications may be picked up at the Mit. Co. Library, Dept. of Human Services and Eco. Dev. Director Windi Fuller.

Youth Revival

Westbrook Baptist Church will host a Youth Revival Fri. & Sat., Feb. 11, 12. Chris Chambers will be praise and worship leader and Marty Akins, pastor for Snyder First Baptist Church will deliver the message. For more information, call 664-3321 or 644-3801.

Immunizations Offered

The Community Health Clinic, 1602 Chestnut, will give immunizations on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, beginning in Feb. 2000. Family Planning will be at the clinic the second Tuesday of each month. Also, Prenatal Classes are still available free of charge for anyone interested.

PPI Visits

People for Progress, Inc. will be in Colorado City Feb. 15, 16 from 9-12 and 1-4 p.m. at 1325 Westpoint (behind cable office) to help with utility assistance.

Brush & Palette Club

The Brush and Palette Club will meet Thurs., Feb. 3 at the Wallace Center at 9 a.m.

Deaths

Brannon, Castillo,
Grantland, Harp, Lee,
Moore, Moudy

Around Town

Happy belated birthday Jerry Footer (Jan. 24)... Bryce Footer (Jan. 25)... Dell Toelkes back from the big city... Happy birthday Eva Martinez (Jan. 29)... Kay Richmond finally getting over the flu and pneumonia... Happy birthday Amado Montalvo (Feb. 1)... Belinda Blassingame learning the moves... Get well Heather Barr...

Lake Levels

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Down 13.88'
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Down 43.07'
Levels courtesy of the United States Geological Service, as of 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2000

Architectural and financing plans promised for hospital

Work on the proposed new Mitchell County Hospital complex is underway in Austin and San Antonio, and hospital board members may have a plan to act on at their regular Feb. 29 meeting.

However, they indicated Tuesday night that a special meeting might be called before then if the plan gells more quickly.

Hospital District Administrator Roland "Rick" Rickard told the members that Austin architect Bob Cox is drawing

up a construction plan that will include a definite price tag between \$8 million and \$10 million for a new hospital, doctors' offices and nursing home.

And Southwest Securities Co. executive Dwayne Westerman of San Antonio is preparing alternative general obligations bond issues to give the board a choice among 20, 25 and 30 year amortization schedules.

Discussing possible dates for a county wide election on the

bond issue, Rickard said it will not make much difference if it is held on one of the state's Uniform Election Dates of March 14 or May 6 or a special election is called.

"This is probably going to be the largest turnout of any election this county has ever seen," he said.

The meeting began at 6 p.m. with all members present except Larry DeBusk, who is recovering from back surgery.

At a special Jan. 6 session, See HOSPITAL, page 2

C-Court enacts county burn ban

Concerned about the sheriff's authority to deal with fire hazard complaints, Mitchell County commissioners Tuesday enacted the county's second burn ban in two years.

County Judge Ray Mayo said a Lake Colorado City woman is concerned that neighbors are burning trash in an uncovered barrel and might set her house on fire.

He said the sheriff's office has investigated her complaints but has no authority to issue a citation because the last burn ban was suspended after being in effect for most of 1998.

Judge Mayo said officials of the Texas Forest Service's West Texas Fire Prevention Team at Hawley visited him last week to caution that the drought has given the county "a high index" for potential fires.

"I think there're burn bans on all around us," said Pct. 2 Commissioner Carl Guelker.

"We are definitely in a fire hazard situation like before."

Commissioner Guelker moved in favor of a new burn ban, seconded by Pct. 1 Commissioner Wendy Inman, and the motion passed unanimously.

Noting that Mitchell Countians proved very cautious in avoiding fires last year, Mayo said after the meeting ended at 9:45, "People here really responded, and we ask for their continued support in this matter to make it a safer county for everyone."

As before, a controlled burn will require a consultation with and recommendation from the fire chief in Loraine, Colorado City or Westbrook for Judge Mayo to grant a permit.

The ban only affects the unincorporated, or rural, areas of county and does not apply to the three cities.

A violation is a misdemeanor that could result in a fine up to \$1,000 and/or 180 days in jail.

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Hospital construction questions????

Have you got questions about the Mitchell County Hospital construction project?

The Record's popular Answerline column has several and we're going to be answering them all in a couple of weeks.

So if you have a question, please call the Record (728-3413) or write us (P.O. Box 92) and we'll get the answers to your questions.

Watch for the answers appearing in our Feb. 10 issue.

Sen. Fraser supports TDCJ CO's raises

A substantial raise for Texas Department of Criminal Justice correctional officers will probably be approved in the January 2001 state legislative session -- but not until then.

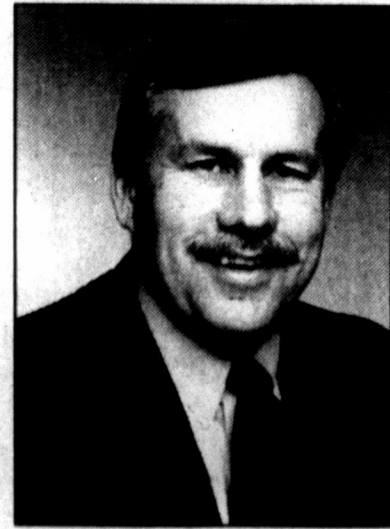
In an interview last week, State Sen. Troy Fraser said there is little chance that a special session will be convened this year to consider the issue.

Sen. Fraser, featured speaker at the Feb. 5 Chamber of Commerce Banquet, said in a Thursday telephone interview from Abilene that there appears to be a consensus among Austin lawmakers that correctional officers (CO's) deserve a raise.

"I am hearing a lot of conversation that we need to funnel additional money into that area," he said.

"Even though we increased the base amount, it was insufficient and the TDCJ is having trouble getting and keeping their people."

Fraser indicated that CO's were caught in a situation in



Troy Fraser

which all state employees were limited to a 3.4 percent raise and no additional provision was made for them.

Gov. George W. Bush and other Austin leaders have said they are reluctant to call a special session to consider just that one issue, and Sen. Fraser said that unfortunately, it will pro-

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Kristi Lee head threatens suit vs. hospital district

Kristi Lee Manor and Loraine Manor nursing homes co-owner Clark Moody is considering filing a lawsuit against Mitchell County Hospital District over what he says is the solicitation of his residents to move to the district's Valley Fair Lodge nursing home.

Moody and Loraine Manor Administrator Gary White were granted a request to be on the 6 p.m. Tuesday hospital board meeting agenda to discuss the issue.

Moody said he and his sister Judy Ingram, who commute here from Abilene to operate the nursing homes, have lost two Loraine residents and one from Kristi Lee in the past six months.

He said others have been solicited unsuccessfully during stays at the county hospital.

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ELOISE McDANIEL OF LORAIN was Fuller Foods' \$1,000 winner at its 50th anniversary celebration last Thursday. With her are store owner Raymond Fuller, left, and manager Rick Alvarez. \$50 winners were Virginia Dearen, Ramon Contreras, Benton Ward, Yuri Lozano, Frank Martinez, Jeremy Quiroz, L. Uptergrove, Jeannie Weaver and C. M. Word, all of Colorado City, and Geronimo DeLaPaz of Sweetwater.

UIL Realignment Tuesday

If you think the Hollywood Academy Awards are a well kept secret, you ought to check into the Texas University Interscholastic League's school district realignments.

UIL assignments of size classifications and competitive districts will not be divulged to anyone prior to 9 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, when Colorado City administrators and coaches will have their fingers crossed for a reclassification down to Class 2-A.

No one knows what they will be but a handful of top UIL officials in Austin whose lips are sealed tighter than an Egyptian mummy's.

Supt. Buddy Compton will drive to the Texas Education Agency's Region 14 Service Center in Abilene that morning to pick up C-City's realignment packet, in which the rul-

ing will be sealed.

The realignments will also be on the Austin based TEA's Internet website, though, which is where the coaches here will check first.

"I've been doing this for 31 years, and I've never known that to come out early," Supt. Compton said Friday.

The current bottom line 3-A high school enrollment is 345 students.

Colorado High School reported 343 last October, and the suspense lies in where the new line will be set -- higher or lower.

CHS is the smallest 3-A school in the state, competing in Class 3-3A with the much bigger Seminole, Denver City, Slaton, Brownfield and Lamesa.

The top line for 3-A's is

779, and Compton says a 400 to 800 range would be fairer.

"It would just be better for everybody if that number went up," he said. "At least it wouldn't be so high at one end and so low at the other."

"The ones at the lower end seldom have a chance to compete because some of these schools are 1 1/2 times bigger than us."

"We would be in the middle of 2-A if they moved it up to 400."

Asked what 2-A district C-City might be in, he said, "Historically, we have always gone west."

That would put the Wolves in District 1-2A with Iraan, Reagan County, Van Horn, McCamey, Anthony and Tornillo.

However, the superintendent

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State denies application for sports complex grant

The Mitchell County Board of Economic Development recently applied for two separate grants through the state. One to fund a Sports Complex and one to continue the Abstinence Education Program in all Mitchell County schools.

The Abstinence Education grant request to the Texas Department of Health was funded. The grant will fund 19 months of educational pro-

grams for all schools in the county.

The county is still in contract negotiations with the state to finalize the amount of the grant, but the total requested value of the grant was \$130,000.

The funds will be used over the next two years to bring in special guest speakers for the kids such as basketball superstar A.C. Green; Primary Fo-

cus, a traveling performing arts program that promotes making smart choices for life; and Aim for Success, an education group that promotes abstinence from sex until marriage. A mentoring program will also be funded with the grant money.

The Sports Complex grant was not awarded due to a lack of funds from the state. The county requested a total grant

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HOSPITAL

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the board was unanimously in favor of Dale Geiger's motion to use general obligation, or tax, bonds to finance the project.

Then DeBusk moved to build a new hospital, doctors' offices and 50 bed nursing home on 22 acres of state donated land northeast of the Wallace-Ware Units.

Geiger abstained in the show of hands vote and Lee Roy Miller Jr. voted "no" while DeBusk, Kenneth Beasley, Kenneth Rogers and Corky Houston voted "yes."

Rickard reported Tuesday

night that he has been making progress in developing a field of choices of possible project managers for the construction and should be able to discuss them by the next meeting.

He repeated his Jan. 6 assessment and that of District Comptroller Brad Burnett that the bond issue should be payable without an increase in the district's 39.6 cent per \$100 valuation property tax rate.

"I'm sure it won't be more than what our tax rate currently is," Rickard said.

Answering a question from Miller, he said the district's

HealthStyles program will be moved into the physical therapy department at the new hospital if the project goes through.

He made the same argument that Burnett made on Jan. 6 -- that a profitable new nursing home is necessary to help pay off the bond issue and avoid a tax increase -- in refuting contentions made by Kristi Lee Manor nursing home co-owner Clark Moody Tuesday night.

Accompanied by Loraine Manor nursing home administrator Gary White, Moody claimed hospital staff members

have been "soliciting" residents of Kristi Lee and Loraine Manor to move to the district owned Valley Fair Lodge nursing home.

Moody said the two homes, which he and his sister Judy Ingram own, have lost three residents and stand to go out of business if Loraine Manor loses another five and Kristi Lee loses another 10 to 12.

Moody said he is considering filing a lawsuit and that he is opposed to the construction of a new nursing home, even though it would have the same capacity, 50, as the old Valley Fair.

"What is the solution?" asked board member Kenneth Beasley.

"I do not need the competition of a new nursing home," Moody said.

"You have made some real

strong accusations here, and I hope you can back them up," Rickard said.

"I can," said Moody. Moody said he was charged last summer when he went to a baseball game and was taunted by a former hospital employee who shouted, "Hey, how's it going at Killer Lee?"

Rickard said Kristi Lee and Loraine Manor might be allowed to visit prospective residents at the hospital.

Board President Kent Boyd said the board would take the matter under advisement and be open any proposed solutions that Moody would like to offer.

Other business included former district employee Windi Fuller's report on a county wide middle school and high school students' sexual abstinence program that was conducted over the past year.

Ms. Fuller, who is now director of the County Economic Development Board, said the State Health Department sponsored program will now be assumed by the county and run from her office at 136 E. Third St.

She said someone will be employed to conduct it. Ms. Fuller said more than \$80,000 in state funds and local in kind services were dedicated to the program with 1,269 six through 12th grade students being contacted.

Of 174 who acknowledged having had sex, she said, 115 agreed to wait until marriage to have any further such relations.

"We need to start talking to our kids younger and younger," she said.

MOODY

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"I have sat on this for years because I didn't want to stir up any trouble, but I didn't think they would build another nursing home," Moody said in an interview at Kristi Lee Manor last Thursday.

He referred to the board's plan to build a nursing home alongside a new hospital and physicians' offices northeast of the Wallace-Ware Units, contingent on voters' approval of a general obligations bond issue.

"We say that they are soliciting residents," Moody said. "They have a monopoly and are using undue influence on patients in the hospital to get them to go to Valley Fair."

Hospital District Administrator Rick Rickard said Monday that the hospital board last spring rejected a plan to expand Valley Fair from 50 to 70 beds and that no one at the hospital solicits residents from Kristi Lee Manor or Loraine Manor.

"He has not said anything to me recently about this stuff, so I don't know what the thrust of all this is," Rickard said.

"We don't do that," he said, referring to the allegation of solicitations. "We probably bend over backwards to keep from doing that."

"There are no quality issues. He does provide excellent care over there, so I really don't understand what the problem is."

After considering an expansion of Valley Fair Lodge to 70 beds, Rickard said, the hospital board decided not to because it did not want to hurt the other two nursing homes.

"We decided that we didn't want to aggress into this area because we would have to take beds from other homes," he said.

"Our mission is to provide care. It's not to hurt somebody else."

Moody said he has consulted attorneys in Colorado City and Abilene and has been advised that the district could be in violation of the federal Stark Law, which holds that an entity like the hospital district "can't refer patients to itself."

He declined to say who the attorneys are or if the suit

would be filed in state or federal court.

Moody said each Medicaid supported resident brings in from \$2,000 to more than \$3,000 in monthly income to his and Ms. Ingram's homes, so the ones they have lost will cause a loss of more than \$50,000 over the coming year.

Valley Fair stays at or near its capacity of 50 residents.

Kristi Lee has 70 of its 110 beds currently occupied and Loraine Manor only 28 of its 53.

Referring to Rickard, Moody said, "If he has 10 empty beds, he can use tax money."

"If I'm low, I'm just in the red. I don't have anybody to fall back on."

He said Loraine Manor "only made a few thousand" last year and is in danger of having to be closed if it loses any more residents.

If it were closed, he said, it would probably never be reopened.

Moody said he has been told that a social worker, a nurse's aide and "some doctors" have told Kristi Lee and Loraine Manor residents "that they could get better care at Valley Fair."

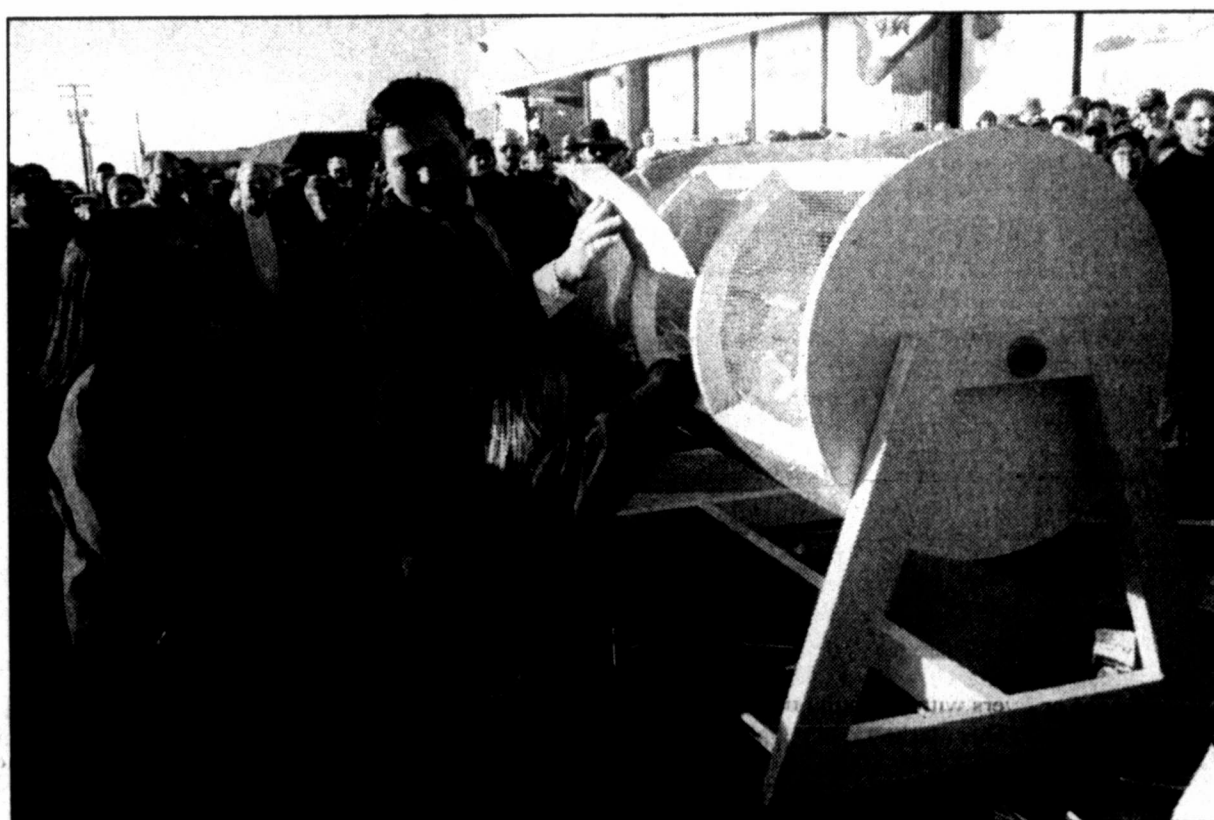
He said one argument is that the hospital is next door and services like X-rays are more convenient.

He showed a national directory of nursing homes, written by Robert N. Bua and published by Warner Books for 1998-99, that ranks Kristi Lee, Loraine Manor and Valley Fair Lodge as Nos. 1, 2 and 3 in quality of care in Mitchell County.

"It offends me to hear that somebody said my residents can get better care somewhere else because the directory lists Kristi Lee as one of the best in the state," Moody said.

The directory is entitled "The Inside Guide to American Nursing Homes."

Moody and his sister began operating Kristi Lee here in August 1978.



FULLER FOODS MANAGER Rick Alvarez and employee Audy Martinez watched as winning entries were drawn in the store's Thursday giveaway of a \$1,000 cash prize to Eloise McDaniel of Loraine and \$50 bills to 10 other customers. The store's 50th anniversary celebration will continue for the next four weeks.



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DR. JEFFREY BRAATEN, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist, will be seeing patients at the Specialty Clinic. Call MCH, 728-3431, ext. 220, for appointments.

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DR. RUDY HADDAD, Urologist, will be seeing patients at 10 a.m. at the Specialty Clinic. Dr. Haddad specializes in the treatment of prostate and kidney diseases. He accepts Medicare assignments. Call MCH at 728-3431, ext. 220 for appointments.

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Q & A

Substance Abuse Trends

(In response to a growing concern among parents, educators and other members of the community, Colorado City Record, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, is devoting this column to your questions about the increasing threat of substance abuse.)

Partnership for a Drug-Free Texas gets prevention message to the masses

The Partnership for a Drug-Free Texas has generated almost \$10 million in advertising and media exposure to encourage Texas youths to make wise choices about alcohol and other drugs. "Research is pretty clear that kids respond to media messages," says Joe Wiese, prevention director for the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, which funds the Partnership. "I think this a valuable tool to reinforce our larger prevention campaign."

The Texas Partnership is an arm of the Partnership for a Drug-Free America, a private, non-profit coalition of professionals from the communications industry. The national organization provides counsel and much of the creative work while the state team solicits local media to run the Partnership's advertising message for free.

Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse involvement and funding make the Texas Partnership unique, Wiese says. "Texas has taken it to a new level to expand, and personalize the campaign," he says.

The Texas Partnership reviews public service announcements provided by the national organizations, adds the state logo and hot line number and distributes the ads to more than 70 television stations, 1,300 print publications and 600 radio stations around the state. The Texas Partnership also generates creative work tailored to address concerns identified by TCADA. During the past year, the Partnership has designed book covers that were distributed to Texas students, set up kiosks with anti-drug information in malls and developed a billboard campaign targeting marijuana use.

TCADA also used the Partnership to distribute timely messages to the Plano area after several young people died of heroin overdoses. The Partnership prepared public service announcements and distributed them to radio stations in the area. "Teen-agers really listen to the radio," Wiese says. "They've got their earphones on, and we just pipe our message right into their heads."

The Partnership for a Drug-Free Texas also has initiated a corporate campaign to help spread the state's anti-drug message. As part of this new public-private collaboration Minyard's grocery stores sponsored an anti-drug night at a Dallas Mavericks game, E-Zone Health Club runs the Partnership's ads on television in its clubs and the State Fair included anti-drug messages on big screens on the fairgrounds.

"When a company prints a million shopping bags with an anti-drug message or flyers with parenting tips, those things end up in homes," Wiese says. "This reaches a lot of people, and sometimes we don't realize that." Wiese says the Partnership's media campaign supports TCADA's broader mission of trying to provide Texas youths with the skills needed to avoid the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. "It's just another way to get the message out," he says.

Please send your questions on drugs or addiction to P.O. Box 695, Snyder, Texas 79550. All questions and personal inquiries may be submitted anonymously. Twenty-four-hour confidential information is available by calling (915) 573-1141 or 1-800-658-6722. Information on help groups and individual's phone numbers may be found in the SDN Community Calendar.



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Judge's discretion called key

District judge candidate Jim Wilks of Sweetwater says two of the most important things a judge does is write jury charges and recognize when to use his discretion.

A charge is the set of instructions a judge gives to a jury before it retires to consider a verdict in a civil or criminal case.

Attorneys from both sides meet with the judge to attempt to influence it, and Wilks says its contents often determine the outcome of the case.

"Most people don't realize how important the charge is," he said in a Tuesday interview here.

"Sometimes, the way the judge charges the jury can be determinative of who wins the case."

"So therefore it's important that he has a lot of experience in drawing charges and sitting up in the wee hours of the morning figuring out how he is going to write the charge."

"Until somebody has wrestled with the charge in case after case after case, I don't believe he's got enough experience to be a district judge."

As an example of how a judge uses discretion, he said a divorced man who does shift work might agree to visit his children on the first, third and fifth weekends of each month but only be able to see them on the fourth weekend.

In that instance, Wilks said, the judge should adjust the order to fit the man's schedule.

Wilks faces Nolan County Court at Law Judge Glen Harrison in the March 14 Democratic Primary.

With no Republican in the race, the winner will take Judge Weldon Kirk's place in the 32nd Judicial District of Mitchell, Fisher and Nolan Counties.

Wilks began the race six weeks ago expecting to devote half of each week day to it, but he is now campaigning three or four full days a week "and all day Saturday."

"I'm getting around," he said. "I haven't been everywhere I need to be, but I'm trying to get there."

"I'm running into a lot of people I have known through the years, clients from 20 or 25 years ago that I had kind of

forgotten about. I'm getting a real good reception from those people."

The 63 year old graduate of Abilene Christian University and the University of Houston School of Law made a commitment Tuesday to serve at least two four year terms if he is elected.

There is a chance he would serve three, but he would then retire to his and his wife Marjorie's 1,800 ranch south of Sweetwater "to sit on the side of a hill and think about what we've done for 40 years and go play with my grandkids," he said.

Wilks said his legal scholarship began when he was associate editor of his Law School Review, "where you really learn to do research and write articles on cases that have already been decided by the appellate courts."

"Any district judge worth his salt is going to try to follow the law so that he won't get reversed, but the key is not to not get reversed," he said.

"It's to follow the law and give the litigants the benefits of the law. In criminal cases, you have got to be cognizant of the rights of the defendants and apply the law that the Legislature has written on any particular charge."

"The district judge needs to know where to find the law and be able to know what the law is after he's found it."

Texas state district judges preside over felony criminal cases and substantial civil cases.

They have a wide span of

authority to set sentences ranging from five to 99 years or life in first degree felony convictions, convene special grand juries, decide appeals of rulings on estates from county probate courts and exercise other powers.

"I think it's important that a judge has tried a lot of different kinds of cases over a lot of years to let him understand where the people are coming from and how the Legislature has passed the laws under which the judge is operating," Wilks said.

"It is also important that a judge has done a lot of other things other than practice law because that gives him a feel for the problems of the people who appear in his court."

Wilks, a former Sweetwater School Board president and Chamber of Commerce president, ran unsuccessfully in 48 counties for the State Board of Education in 1988 in a race

that was eventually won by the late Bill Hudson of Wichita Falls.

He was doing well, he said, until Dallas billionaire and school reform advocate Ross Perot released a list of candidates he considered acceptable and Wilks' name was on it.

"That was the kiss of death to schoolteachers," he said, laughing.

Wilks said the state's rules of evidence were once often confusing to judges because they "had evolved through hundreds of years" and could not be found in any one location to help determine what evidence should be admitted into a case and what should not.

"They were finally codified a few years ago, and the codification has been a distinct blessing because it is easier to locate the rules of evidence that you are operating under," he said.

BURN BAN

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Other business in the 9 a.m. called meeting included a presentation on variable retirement annuities for county employees by New York Life Insurance Co. agents Lois Isbell and Scott White of Midland.

Saying the investments will require a minimum contribution of \$50 a month, the agents were given permission to talk with the county's 57 employees.

"I have employees that want other options for investments," County Treasurer Ann Hallmark told the court.

Judge Mayo reported that County Historical Commission Chairman Shirley Scott resigned at a commission meeting last Tuesday and the other members forwarded a recommendation that longtime member Danny Bell be appointed to replace her and serve a two year term.

Chairman Bell's appointment was okayed, as was a new contract with the West Central Texas Council of Governments in Abilene to help maintain the county's 911 emergency calling system.

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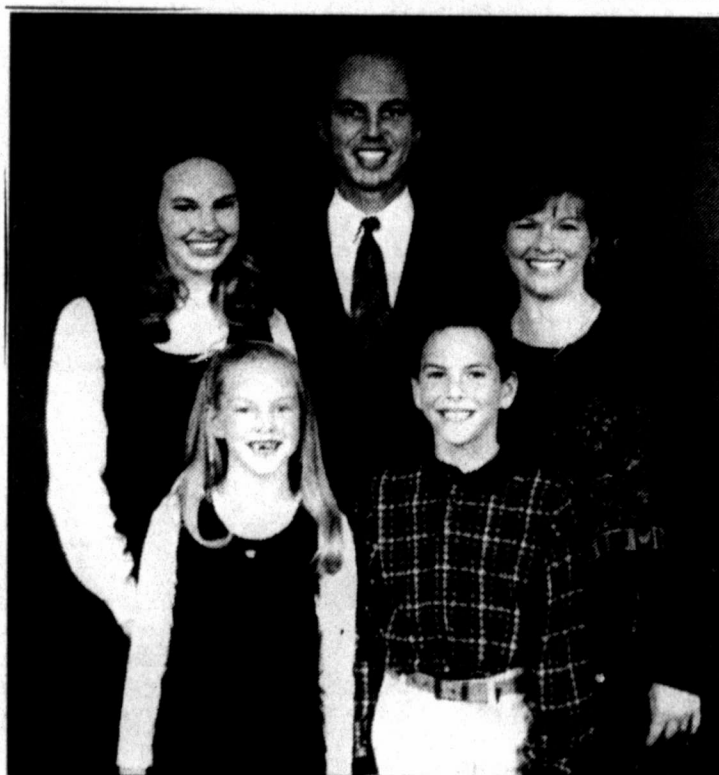
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Gerald R. Turner Trustee, Stella Porter Russell Trust, Stella Porter Russell Deceased to Southern Methodist University, Conveyance.

Carl Smoot Business Banker, Northwest Bank Texas NA, First National Bank Big Spring, Tx. to Richard T. Wright, Clarinda S. Wright, Release of Lien.

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Gladys L. Wilbanks Estate, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Carole Keeton Rylander, Comptroller to Public, Grady L. Wilbanks Jr., Cheryl Cahill, Inheritance Tax Rec.

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Larry DeBusk to City National Bank of Colorado City Tx., Royce D. Clay President, Reinstatement Agr.

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Gerald Van Watkins to Lloyd Watkins, Warranty Deed.

Joan Carlton Asst. Vice-President, Source One Mortgage Corporation to Terry Browder, Laura Browder, Investors Inc., Donald L. Curry Et Al Ttee., James R. Galbreath, Cindy L. Galbreath, Appoint Sub Ttee.

Janet Luttman Assoc. Vice-President to James R. Galbreath, Cindy L. Galbreath, Oletha Gibson, Affidavit.

Terry Browder Sub Ttee to Source One Mortgage Corporation, Donald L. Curry Et Al Ttee, Cindy L. Galbreath, James R. Galbreath, Investors Inc., Oletha Gibson, Sub Trustee Deed.

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L. Galbreath, Donald L. Curry Et Al Ttee., Laura Browder, Terry Browder, Oletha Gibson, Public, Notice Affid.

Property Improvement Company, Dan Trent Owner to Public, Affidavit.

Kenneth Sean Smith, Lavinda Smith to Texas National Bank Sweetwater, Tx., Lloyd F. Harris Trustee, Deed of Trust.

Tom M. Rasmussen to Randolph C. Henson Trustee, Midland American Bank, Bank United Successor, Garth S. Wright Vice Pres, Amd Deed of Trust.

Ann B. Hathaway Trustee, Ann B. Hathaway Living Trust to Mitchell Royalty LP, Deed.

Swartz & Brough Inc. A. Tex Corp., Andrew Swartz President to Sherri L. Winn, Warranty Deed.

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R. Randall Rollins, Gary W. Rollins, O. Wayne Rollins Estate to ROG Investments LP, Agreement.

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Clifton Morrow Fisher Estate to Morrow Tyler Fisher Administrator, Public, CC Probate.

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Ifrain Molina to Mary Beth King, Child Support Lien.

Frank Beights Atty in Fact, Audrey Beights to Cap Rock Electric Cooperative Inc., Easement & R/W.

Don Wood to Cap Rock Electric Cooperative Inc. Easement & R/W.

Urda Dee Wulfjen President, Seven Wells Properties Inc. to Wilma Jean Johnson, Warranty Deed.

Source One Mortgage Corporation, Kay Downer Asst Vice President, Northwest Mortgage Services Inc. to Property Management Section, Secretary of Veteran's Affairs, Special W/D.

Carol Sue Dakan to City National Bank of Colo City Tx., Royce D. Clay President, Reinstatement Agr.

Mary Evelyn Perkins Aldridge to Dee A. Roach, Margaret Roach, Warranty Deed.

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Henry Garcia, 34, MCSO, court committal, 1-19.

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Israel Subio Palma, 22, Task Force, poss of marijuana, 2F, 1-20.

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Roger E. Davidson, 1-19-00, DWI 2nd.

Jessie C. Guevara, 1-19-00, theft <\$50<\$500.

COUNTY COURT ACTION

Thomas L. Hugg, DWI, Jan. 19, 2000, guilty, \$500, \$210.25, 6 months suspended/1 year, \$40 per month.

Henry Garcia, DWI (2nd), Jan. 19, 2000, guilty, \$500, \$210.25, 10 days.

Henry L. Garcia, evading arrest, Jan. 19, 2000, guilty, \$250, \$159.25, 10 days.

Henry L. Garcia, assault, Jan. 19, 2000, guilty, \$250, \$214.25, 10 days.

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Westbrook Club slates candidate's rally

WESTBROOK -- County and area political candidates are invited to state their cases at the Westbrook Golden Age Club's sometimes biennial, sometimes quadrennial "Candidates' Rally."

Dinner will be served at the 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, event, and Pct. 2 County Commissioner Carl Guelker of Cuthbert will introduce the candidates.

Meals from a menu that has not been finally decided will be served free of charge, and the rally is open to the public.

Club President Lula Leach said the club's two dozen members are particularly interested in hearing candidates for

Pct. 3 county commissioner and district judge.

The Golden Age Club is in a building that housed an early day drugstore and post office at 101 S. Main St.

"We have the Candidates' Rally every two or four years, and we invite all the candidates for county offices and areas that cover Mitchell County to come and join us for supper and the rally," said Ms. Leach.

"We have some races that are important this year, for county commissioner and the judge for this area, too."

She referred to the March 14 Democratic primary contest between incumbent Pct. 3 Commissioner Wendy Inman of the Spade Community and challenger Bruce Rich of Westbrook.

The winner will meet Republican Larry Johnson of Colorado City in November.

Pct. 3 includes south Westbrook, southwest C-City, Lake C-City and the south side of the county where the Spade Ranch lies.

Commissioner Guelker's precinct encompasses the north side of Westbrook.

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said they could "go north" and be in 3-2A with Stanton, Seagraves, Post, Coahoma, Tahoka and Plains -- a direction they prefer not to go because of the uphill climb, long distances and frequently icy weather.

Compton indicated that he, Athletic Director Gerald James and the other coaches would prefer to go south and be in 2-2A with Sonora, Eldorado, Forsan, Ozona, Wall and Junction.

"We have traveled that way before, so it's a possibility we'll go back that way," he said.

The problem with getting C-City out of 3-A has stemmed largely from the relative scarcity of 3-A and 4-A schools, compared to 1-A, 2-A and 5-A schools, statewide and particularly in West Texas.

"They don't have enough people in that category -- even more so out here because of the distance," he said.

The last time C-City was realigned, two years ago, it was unwillingly moved out of a western district, 4-3A, where it had competed successfully against Kermit, Reagan County, Sonora, Crane and Midland Greenwood.

The CISD School Board immediately filed a grievance with the UIL when the district was pitted against Denver City, Seminole and the others in 3-

It asked to be in 8-3A with Abilene Wylie, Ballinger, Brady, Merkel, Clyde and Grape Creek, depending on the approval of a similar request by Grape Creek to be moved to a different district.

The grievance was denied. Against long odds and superior numbers, the Wolves won the 1998 football district and bi-district championships and finally the area championship versus Amarillo River Road in a memorable contest at Lowrey Field in Lubbock.

But the numbers caught up with them last season as they

went 1-9 and missed the playoffs.

Mitchell County's other schools, Loraine and Westbrook, will remain Class 1-A six man football schools, but they could be assigned to different districts.

Natural rivals like C-City and Coahoma and Loraine and Westbrook never play except in preseason scrimmages or if they happen to meet in the playoffs.

Loraine competes in District 10 with Blackwell, Highland, Trent, Veribest and Paint Rock and was in the running to make the playoffs until late in the season last year.

Westbrook is in possibly the toughest six man district in the state, No. 8, with Ackerly Sands, Borden County, Ira, Lenora Grady and Hermleigh.

Borden County won the state championship two years ago and, with Sands, is a perennial habitue of the Top 10 state rankings.

Ira also had a strong season last year.



DRILLERS Raul Zavala of Jasper, left, and John Rangel of Colorado City were drilling 20 foot holes in solid rock for dynamite to be placed in at the county rock quarry northeast of Loraine. They work for Lariat Drilling Co.

Letter to the Editor:

I am writing this to let everyone know that the people who offer their time and efforts at the gym on Saturday for Optimist Basketball are all volunteers.

Everyone that works in the concession stand, the referees, bookkeepers and the clockworkers are all volunteers. They are not getting paid to stay 6-8 hours on the hard benches or stand on their feet for hours at a time.

For the coaches, fans and parents that come in the gym and make derogatory and rude comments to the volunteers, need to volunteer their time and maybe then they would not be so quick to make these comments.

Volunteers are there to teach the kids sportsmanship and a sense of fair play. When the ideas are not reinforced by the spectators, it creates tension and poor attitudes.

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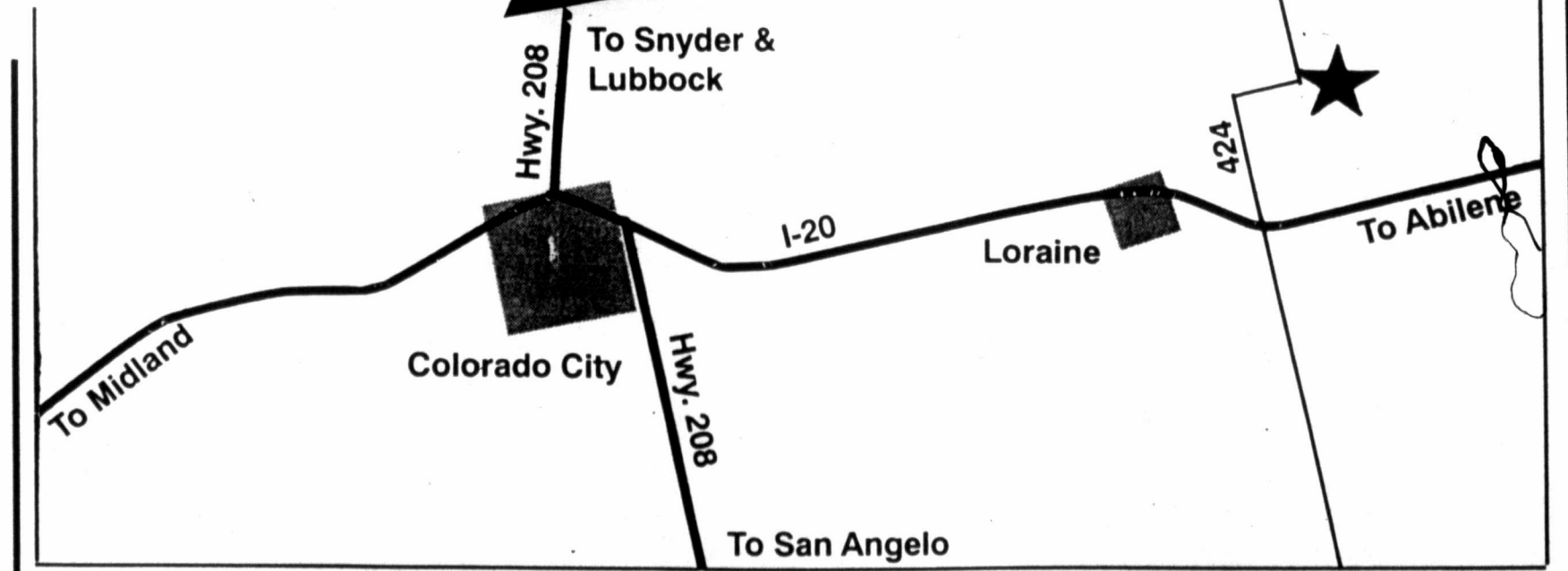
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Couple injured in wreck

A couple from Bandera, near Kerrville, were slightly injured in a 5 p.m. Monday tractor-trailer rig accident on Interstate 20 150 yards over the Mitchell County line in Howard County.

Department of Public Safety Trooper Shane Johnson said Susie Ponce passed a truck and came back too far into the righthand lane when she overcorrected her eastbound Freightliner and it went out of control and turned onto its side in the center median.

Mrs. Ponce and her husband Guadalupe were treated at the county hospital here.

Trooper Johnson said Guadalupe Ponce was pinned in the truck's sleeper for about 20 minutes before he was freed by Mitchell County EMS.

Colorado City volunteer firefighters also went to the scene.

Mr. and Mrs. Ponce's 10 and 11 year old children, Lupe and Nakita, were unhurt.

The couple was reportedly homeschooling their children in the truck, which was carrying three ferrets in cages.

It was hauling John Deere parts.

Correction

It was incorrectly reported in last week's Record that Mitchell County commissioners had okayed advertising for bids for a new or used truck in Pct. 3.

The action was approved for Pct. 4.

forum

The CCR

Column

Runaway pickup recalled

By Bob Campbell

Every man would like to be a hero at least once. That's why we play football and other games when we're young and watch them when we're older, commonly discovering we're not hero material in the former circumstance and identifying with heroes in the latter.

Oh, brother, to catch a touchdown pass and win the game with 90,000 people cheering and the nation watching on television...

Writing a weekly column, you end up telling things you have never told before, even in private conversations.

So it is with a strange feeling that I admit, on an occasion 26 years ago, I happened to do something like that.

Of course, newsmen want to be heroes for our readers, telling you things you would not otherwise learn, being undaunted in the face of difficulty.

That is a source of satisfaction at times, but it's not the physical skill under duress that a football player or soldier displays.

My wife and I and our 4 year old boy had moved into a house in the Redlands north of Grand Junction, Colo.

It was a rural setting with a sharply sloping pasture behind the house, and I had been doing a lot of running on the road beyond the pasture.

I was standing in the kitchen late one afternoon, looking out the sliding glass doors, when I saw a heavy old pickup truck rolling down the hill, bumping along slowly.

There was nobody in it, and it was headed toward a brick house at the bottom of the hill.

I was barefooted and shirtless.

It looked like it was going to stay slow, so I was in no hurry to climb the barbed wire fence and start jogging toward it.

Then it suddenly got much faster and I started running flat out as it passed the halfway point.

God was with me because I was faster than usual.

Very fortunately, the truck had a running board because I might not have been able to get inside the cab without it.

It was nearing an embankment close to the house when I got in and put the brake down, hoping it would work.

It stopped right in front of the six or eight foot dropoff.

I had run 50 or 60 yards to catch it, and it stopped 80 or 90 yards from our house.

I was upset with the people at the top of the hill who had evidently left the truck in neutral when they parked it, so I decided to go to the house it had almost hit and tell the people inside what happened.

I hated to knock because I was not very presentable, but a darkhaired woman in her 30's answered and it looked like she had been in the living room, where the truck would have come through the wall, because some sewing was out.

She looked surprised, and I told her what had happened and said she should look at the truck.

An older man was walking down from the top of the hill, she met him and they started talking.

I wished later I had joined them but wanted to avoid having to write about the event in the paper went back to review it with my wife, who watched.

I felt like I had finally caught that touchdown pass I always wanted.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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Our society has become so affluent that status symbols are a thing of the past. There's just nothing left for folks who would like to "put on the dog," as they used to say.

We used to be able to assess a person's financial status by what they owned, but we can't even do that anymore. One of my favorite songs contains the lines, "He bought her a big ol' race horse and a funny lookin' little dog." And, "He sits in his Jacuzzi and watches the sun go down."

Owning a horse wasn't any big thing when most of the country lived on farms; and when people had to sit in a tub in the kitchen, they would have given anything for a shower.

Nowadays, everybody wants to take a bath on the porch. And many of them do!

Nobody had those funny lookin' little dogs when we lived in the country. That's because we always had some big dogs for chasing cows and hunting coons, and the big dogs would use the little ones for dusters. A fluffy, little dog got worn out in a hurry.

Now we see funny, little dogs everywhere, but I still can't tell you what they're for. Most of them won't even dust.

I've always thought a dog has to be good for something. He's got to be big enough to bite a cow, dumb enough to chase rabbits, or ugly enough

to scare burglars. A dog has to have purpose if he's ever going to amount to anything.

A visit with some friends reminded me of the thing that bothers me most about those fuzzy, little pooches: It's their attitude.

These dogs are so small a person tends to ignore their actions. Then the dog develops all sorts of personality disorders.

They're like kids. Whereas an outsider can tell immediately what's wrong with them, the owners never seem to catch on.

So we have this curly-haired, little dog jumping up and down on the bed - just daring someone to try to stop him. I'd stop him, if he was mine. I'd put Velcro on the ceiling.

I've had dogs that would jump on guests and other things, but they were always

sorry. I can't stand a dog that isn't sorry for what he does - one that dares you to throw him off the bed, or jumps out of the pickup when you tell him to. A truly sorry will make you throw him out.

The fuzzy, little pooch my friends have is kind of special, though. She can sing. It's true! I saw her do it.

The friend's wife just says "Peggy, sing! Sing, Peggy." Then the wife throws her head back and says, "Owooh! Owooh-owoh! Ow-ow-ow!"

Pretty soon the dog stops jumping on the bed. Then she throws her head back and sings. "Owooh-owoh! Owooh-owoh! Owooh-owoh!" It's the darnedest thing you ever saw.

I've seen a lot of strange things in my life; but how a fuzzy, little dog can teach a woman to sing is more than I can understand.

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At the time of nomination, parents will be requested to grant permission for this testing.

Deadline for nominations is Friday, February 25, 2000.

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3 TXism: "a goose"

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11 newspaper solicitations

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23 auto plant in Arlington, TX (abbr.)

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25 govt. overseer of nuclear power (abbr.)

26 lion sound (2 wds.)

27 Mexican mountain flower plant

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36 TX Rayburn (init.)

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55 pickup rubber

Miniature Wagons

By Tumbleweed Smith



Wilbur Foster of Salado had a garage and welding shop for thirty years, then he became the maintenance superintendent at Salado's Stagecoach Inn, a popular eating and sleeping complex.

The Inn had an old stagecoach in front of the registration office which was in a poor state of repair. "It was pretty well beat up," says Wilbur. "Kids played on it, you know. It had the top stomped in, the sides were all messed up. It was a total wreck."

Wilbur thought the stagecoach was important to the inn because people took pictures of it. He had been asked many times to take photos of guests standing by the old stagecoach.

One winter he completely rebuilt it and painted it in its original colors. A man living nearby had two Clydesdale horses which were hitched to the wagon with some fancy harness. Mr. and Mrs. Dion Van Bibber, developers of the Stagecoach Inn, dressed in old clothes and were taken for a ride around Salado. "We stopped traffic," says Wilbur.

The next few years saw the stagecoach deteriorate again, so Wilbur once again hauled it off and repaired it to look like new. This time he built wagon wheels because someone had taken the original ones.

After he retired, he made a scale model of the stagecoach for his granddaughter. "It created so much interest I just kept on making them."

Wilbur has made more than 100 miniature stagecoaches, wagons and buggies since making that first one six years ago. He uses the scale of one inch equals one foot. He carves horses, mules, oxen, riders and cargo and makes the necessary hitching and harness equipment to complete his pieces.

"I'll put a driver in the seat of the stagecoaches to make them look more authentic. He'll have a double barrel shotgun by his side. He'll have the harness in one hand and a whip in the other."

He has trouble making the men's facial features look natural, so he puts a cigar in their mouths. He says the wheels are the hardest part because the spokes have to be spaced evenly. To make the nostrils, eyes and ears on his horses, he pokes a small hole with an ice pick, then heats a screwdriver until it gets red hot and burns a larger hole into the wood. He uses bb's for the eyes. "I've learned different techniques over the years," says Wilbur.

He makes covered wagons and schooners pulled by oxen, with a man walking alongside holding a whip. "I put a water barrel on each side. Sometimes I put a jug in there." He makes cotton wagons, log wagons, a doctor's buggy and a watermelon wagon complete with watermelons. "To make those, I get the biggest pecans I can find, paint them green, then take a marking pencil and make little squiggly stripes on them to look like real watermelons."

He sells very few of his pieces, but donates some for auctions where they bring up to 800 dollars. "I've got to stay busy," says Wilbur. "I built a nature trail around the Stagecoach Inn, now I'm working on a water wheel."

Wilbur, legally blind, has always got up early. So has his son, who is president of Exxon and recently purchased the Stagecoach Inn.

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By Ace Reid



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Home equity loans surveyed

Thurman O. "Bob" Brannon

1913-2000

Thurman O. "Bob" Brannon, age 86, of Big Spring, died Wed., Jan. 19, 2000, in an Abilene hospital. Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Sat., Jan. 22, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Alan Lee officiating. Burial followed in Wingate Cemetery, under the direction of the Winters Funeral Home.

Mr. Brannon was born March 23, 1913 in Comanche County and moved to Wingate at the age of 10 and graduated from Wingate High School. He married Marie Dean on Sept. 30, 1934 in Winters and they just celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. He served in the Army Air Corp during WWII. After returning to Wingate, he worked for the Texas Highway Department, moving to Colorado City and then to Big Spring where he retired in 1977. He was a longtime member of the Senior Citizens Hot Potato Band and RSVP. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Big Spring. The Brannons had recently moved to Blackwell to be with their daughter, Diana Spence.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Dean Brannon of Big Spring; one daughter, Diana Brannon Spence of Blackwell; one brother, Floy Brannon of Fort Worth; two sisters, Dortha Lawrence of Winters and Doyleene Helm of Acton; two step-grandchildren, Gretchen Pelton and husband, Robert of Rockwall and Daniel Spence of Beaumont; and one step-great-grandchild, Ashley Pelton of Rockwall. Memorials may be made to Hendrick Hospice Care in Abilene, P.O. Box 1922, Abilene, Texas 79604.

Laura Grantland

1909-2000

Miss Laura Grantland, age 90, of Colorado City, died Wed., Jan. 19, 2000, in a local hospital. Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Fri., Jan. 21, in the Colorado City Cemetery with Rev. Kay Reed officiating and under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Miss Grantland was born Nov. 12, 1909 in Colorado City and had been a lifelong resident. She was a bookkeeper and a member of the First United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by one sister, Elizabeth Connell and two brothers, E.V. "Moore" Grantland and Robert Grantland.

Survivors include her sister-in-law, Ruth Grantland of Colorado City; two nephews, James Michael Connell and Richard Connell, both of Arkansas; two nieces, Laura Ann Connell Lambert of Arkansas and Mary Windle of New Mexico; a niece-in-law, Janelle Grantland of Dallas; two grand-nieces, Jana Grantland Morgan of California and Jill Grantland Webb of Austin.

In lieu of flowers, the family request memorials be made to the First United Methodist Church.

Bernice "Chicken" Lee

1916-2000

Mrs. Bernice "Chicken" Lee, age 84, of Colorado City, died Fri., Jan. 21, 2000, in a local care center. Services were at 10 a.m. Sat., Jan. 22 in the Kiker-Seale Chapel with Rev. Robert Bracy officiating. Burial followed in the Mitchell County Cemetery, under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Survivors include one son, William Parker Jr. and a friend, Rogene Spruelli.

Martha Harp

1911-2000

Martha Harp, age 88, of Colorado City, died Wed., Jan. 19, 2000, in a local hospital, following a long illness. Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Fri., Jan. 21, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. Arrangements were by Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

She was born Nov. 30, 1911 in Milam County, Texas. She was a Baptist. She had lived in Big Spring prior to moving to Colorado City, where she made her home with Rhonda and Bobby Edmondson.

Survivors include one sister-in-law, Mary Edmondson of Colorado City; several nieces and nephews.

Mary Edna Moudy

1910-2000

Mrs. Mary Edna Moudy, age 89, of Colorado City, died Fri., Jan. 21, 2000 in Arlington, Texas. Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Tues., Jan. 25, in the First United Methodist Church in Colorado City. Burial followed in the Colorado City Cemetery, under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Moudy was born Dec. 13, 1910 in Plainview Community in Haskell County, Texas. She attended both Texas Tech and Texas Women's University, after which she taught English until she married Matt Graham in 1933. After his death in 1981, she renewed acquaintances with her high school sweetheart, Irving Moudy and they married in 1984. She worked for Max Berman's Department Store in Colorado City and later for Drs. Dave and Billy Bruce Bridgford, retiring in 1984. She was a member of the Kiwanians and for many years taught the Philathea Sunday School Class. She was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Jennifer Graham in 1994.

Survivors include her husband of 15 years, Irving Moudy of Arlington; two daughters, Carolyn Cox and husband Don of Lamesa, Texas and Suzanne Scott and husband Barrett of Colleyville, Texas; a son, Pat Graham and wife Doris of Stone Mountain, Georgia; a brother, J.V. Frizell Jr. and wife Grace of Stamford; five grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.

In lieu of flowers, the family request memorials to the Alzheimer's Association.

Ester Castillo

1906-2000

Mrs. Ester Castillo, age 94, of Colorado City, died Sun., Jan. 23, 2000 in a local care center. Services were held at 2 p.m. Wed., Jan. 26 in the First Baptist Church of Colorado City with Rev. Sammy Contreras officiating. Burial followed in the Colorado City Cemetery, under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home. A prayer service was held at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Kiker-Seale Chapel.

Mrs. Castillo was born January 8, 1906 in Bastrop, Texas and had been a resident of Colorado City since 1947. She married Thomas Castillo Sr. on Oct. 9, 1927 in Bastrop. He preceded her in death on Dec. 27, 1994. She was a homemaker and a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church. She was also preceded in death by one son, Thomas Castillo Jr.

Survivors include a son, Johnny Castillo of Colorado City; four daughters, Sally Martinez of Colorado City, Carolyn Campos of Mesquite, Texas, Hortencia Sanchez of Big Spring, Texas and Ruth Orona of Gainesville, Texas; a brother, Tino Rivas of Austin, Texas; two sisters, Lenora Delgado and Lydia Castro, both of Austin; 23 grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren.

Arle Royce Moore

1932-2000

Mr. Arle Royce Moore, age 67, of Westbrook, died Mon., Jan. 24, 2000 in a Big Spring hospital. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 27 at the First Baptist Church of Westbrook with the Rev. Jake Chaney officiating.

Mr. Moore was born to Arle and Gladys Moore Nov. 10, 1932 in Terry County, Texas. He had been a lifelong resident of Westbrook. He was a pumper and production manager for Chevron.

Survivors include a son, Rodney and wife, Eve Moore of Westbrook; two daughters, Jean Roxann and husband Gaylord Rich and Pandora Lynn and husband Charles Violett of Salt Lake City, Utah; three grandchildren, Andrea Moore and Ross Moore of Westbrook and Sterling Hamilton Violett of Salt Lake City, Utah; a sister, Elaine Hart of Denver City, Texas; and a brother, Ray Moore of Austin, Texas.

Consumers' opinions about Texas' new home equity lending law vary widely according to their ages and where they live.

People under age 45 who live in suburbs or urban areas are the most supportive, but a survey conducted last year for the Texas Finance Commission shows the overall reaction to be a draw.

37.4 percent of the 1,200 homeowners who were contacted say the law "is a good thing because it creates a new borrowing source that is often tax deductible with a lower interest rate."

The same percentage say it is "a bad thing because it allows people to borrow more money against their home and they might lose it in a foreclosure if they get behind in their payments."

25.1 percent have no opinion.

However, satisfaction is high for those who have taken out a home equity loan -- over eight on a 10 point scale.

"It released a awful lot of data, one part from homeowners and the other from lenders," Finance Commission Director Leslie Pettijohn of Austin told the CCR in a telephone interview.

"It shows the law attracted a lot of attention and a lot of interest."

The survey was conducted last year at the direction of the

1997 Texas Legislature, which put a constitutional amendment to allow the loans on the statewide ballot that fall.

It passed easily, and the survey by Analytica Inc. of Houston said 77 percent of Texans were aware of it by the middle of last year.

The survey was reported in December.

Ms. Pettijohn said officials of the Finance Commission and its sister Banking Commission and Office of Consumer Credit were surprised to learn that 14 percent of all homeowners in the state had already investigated the possibility of taking out a home equity loan.

Of those, 10 percent had applied for a loan and nine percent had obtained one.

Bobby Lemons of City National Bank here, Mark Waldrip of the First National Bank and Bill Crockett of the First Bank of West Texas in Loraine urge Mitchell County homeowners who want to take out such a loan to deal with a local bank.

That is because a local bank is much easier to deal with in case of difficulty than a distant bank that you may only be able to contact by telephone.

Although the survey did not investigate foreclosures, Ms. Pettijohn believes they have been rare so far because home equity loan payments come first for most borrowers.

Burglary suspect arrested, held in Mitchell Co. Jail

Colorado City police arrested a 19 year old burglary suspect at 10 p.m. Saturday at Smyler's convenience store at Interstate 20 West and Exit 210 near Lake C-City.

Police Chief Pat Taylor said Michael Chumley, whose last

known address was 1743 Vine St., was taken into custody without incident by Investigator Charles Rice.

He was being held at Mitchell County Jail in lieu of a \$2,000 bond.

Chief Taylor said Chumley is charged with breaking into the Quick Stop grocery store at 1801 Hickory St. during the night of Wednesday, Jan. 19.

The break-in was discovered when the store was opened the next morning.

The cash register had been jimmied open with a tool the burglar evidently found inside the store, Investigator Rice reported.

Chief Taylor said Chumley was arrested on the basis of information developed by Investigator Rice.

Entry was gained into the store through an air conditioner duct on the north side of the building, he said.

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value of \$750,000 from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Only 15 of the original 46 applicants were funded in this round. A total of \$14 million was requested and only \$6.4 million was available for funding.

"Although we are disappointed that we didn't receive funding in this round, we did make some headway," said Windi Fuller, Director of Economic Development for the County. "We have a better idea of what they are looking for now, and can tailor our grant to fit their preferences. We will probably diversify the application a bit by adding a soccer field and walking track in addition to the softball field and little league field already in the grant."

The county will reapply for funding with the Parks and Wildlife Department in February. The process will take five months before a funding announcement will be made.

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The "good-bad" reaction to the law is 49 to 27 percent for people 18 to 34 years old, 44 to 37 percent for ages 35-44, 35-39 for people 45 to 54, 38 to 43 for respondents 55-64 and 22-41 for people 65 and over.

Forty seven percent of the people who had received home equity loans used a bank, followed by mortgage companies, 38 percent, credit unions, 12 percent, and savings and loan companies, three percent.

92 percent who have taken out a loan have a fixed interest rate varying from 5.5 to 17 percent and averaging 8.8.

On a one to 10 scale of satisfaction with the process, the average rating was eight while 64 percent reported a nine or 10.

Sixty-seven percent used the money to pay off credit card debts, 63 percent to make

home improvements, 13 percent to buy vehicles, 12 percent for educational expenses, nine percent for medical expenses, six percent for business investments and five percent to buy real estate.

An average amount of loans was not reported.

High ratings were given to the clarity of information imparted on nine factors involved in taking out a loan.

They include the right to cancel your application within three days, a limitation of the loan amount to 80 percent of equity, a 12 day waiting period, a truth in lending statement, a one year waiting period to refinance, the possibility of foreclosure and a three percent limitation on fees and charges.

(Next week: home equity loans from the lenders' perspective.)

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bably be a full year before the problem can be addressed.
"I'm afraid that's probably what's going to happen," he said.

Leaders of the CO's professional organization, the American Federation of State and County Employees (AFSCE), are making a statewide tour of 14 cities and will visit the Abilene area beginning Jan. 31.

AFSCE spokesman Bill Bishop told the CCR last week that a candlelight meeting will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 3, at the Colorado City Housing Authority at 439 Oak St.

Sen. Fraser, 51, a member of the Senate Finance Committee who grew up in Coahoma and started a highly successful business in Big Spring, said he often visited C-City as a young man and is looking forward to speaking at the Chamber Banquet.

"I'm very familiar not only with the community but with a lot of the people," he said.

"I will talk about the last century and what we can expect for the people of the state in the next 100 years."

He lives at Marble Falls, near Llano in Central Texas, and represents the 24th Senatorial District.

The district has 21 counties, running from Mitchell County on the west to Bell County and Temple on the east and having Brownwood in the middle.

Sen. Fraser, a Republican, is unopposed for re-election to his second four year term this year.

"I hope that's a message

from the voters that they approved of the way I have represented them for the last four years, that the Democrats chose not to put up a candidate," he said.

He is the chief development officer of Pal-Ex Inc., a publicly traded company that is the nation's biggest manufacturer of wooden pallets with 3,000 employees in 70 towns and cities over North America.

Except for the fact the needs of the TDCJ and its CO's were not adequately taken care of, he said, he was pleased with the results of last year's legislative session.

"I think under any objective standard, it was one of the most successful sessions the state has had in the last 20 years," he said.

"We started with a \$6 billion surplus and were able to address things that had been ignored in the past, and a lot of those revolved around education."

"We were able to give teachers a \$3,000 raise across the board -- and a substantial increase to retired teachers -- and still return almost \$2 billion to the taxpayers in property tax relief, the sales tax holiday and franchise tax relief."

He sponsored a \$4.1 million, 25 percent increase for Texas State Technical College campuses in Abilene, Sweetwater, Brownwood and Breckenridge and wrote the bill to eliminate franchise taxes, or business income taxes, for small businesses with gross receipts of less than \$150,000 a year.

"Small businesses need to

put that money back into the business so they can grow," he said.

He spoke Thursday at the TSTC campus in Abilene, two days after Lt. Gov. Rick Perry appointed him chairman of the state's new Research and Oversight Council on Workers' Compensation.

Convening for the first time on Feb. 1 in Austin, the council exists to support the development of more effective and efficient workers' compensation.

It will conduct studies and research, monitor the system's effectiveness and make recommendations to the Legislature.

Sen. Fraser said water will be the top issue in the 2001 session and will preoccupy state government for the next half century.

"The bulk of the battles in the State of Texas in the next 50 years will be over water," he said.

"Those of us from West Texas understand that water, for us, is a way of life. We will be spending a lot of time protecting the resources we have to make sure we have sufficient drinking water."

Fraser said a cornerstone of state water law, the "right of capture" principle, might be changed because dwindling resources have exposed a troubling loophole in it.

A judge upheld the right of capture for Ozarka Water Co. in East Texas when neighboring landowners protested that the company was draining the aquifer on which their agricultural operations depended.

"The same thing happened at San Antonio," Fraser said.

"It's definitely a two edged sword because the water under someone's property is their property, but if the person next to you is abusing their rights, it could drain the water from underneath your property and you could do nothing about it."

"The key thing here is local control. You want locals making that decision rather than some bureaucrat in Austin."

He said the 2001 session will also be important because it is a redistricting session and all state and federal political districts will be considered for realignment.

Because Texas' population continues to be more concentrated in urban areas, he said, West Texas districts will be expanded to meet requirements for the numbers of constituents that congressmen, state representatives and state senators must have.

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If you have one of the 3,808 delinquent accounts at the Mitchell County tax assessor collector's office, you have until 4:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, to pay it without owing a penalty.

Assessor Collector Faye Lee said Tuesday that the delinquent accounts are 16 percent of the county's approximately 20,000 accounts, representing \$648,000.

After Tuesday, seven percent in penalty and interest will be added to them, followed by nine percent in March, 11 percent in April and similar increases each month afterward.

"Partial payments are accepted in the Mitchell County Tax Office if the taxpayer is unable to pay the 1999 taxes in full," said Ms. Lee.

"Partial payments will not stop penalty and interest but will reduce the penalty and interest which attaches to the unpaid tax in future months."

The office is at 438 E. Second St.

Ms. Lee said the number of delinquent accounts is not unusual for this time of year, and she wanted to issue the notice to remind taxpayers that they may still pay their bills without penalty.

When all the money is in, the office will have collected \$3.9 million for the county, county road and bridge fund, hospital district and Loraine Independent School District.

There is a larger number of accounts than there is taxpayers, Ms. Lee explained, because one oil property owner may typically have as many as five leases with each one being a separate account.

The overall collection rate stands at 83 percent, she said, compared to 88 percent at the deadline last year.

"This is right in line with what it was last year," Ms. Lee

said. "It will be a busy time." The office also renews license plates, transfers vehicle

titles and registers voters. It is opens at 8 a.m. and is closed from noon to 1 p.m.

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KCCB plans cleanup

The Keep Colorado City Beautiful Committee plans to appear before the city council and ask that a municipal code enforcement officer be hired.

KCCB Co-chairman Bob Reilly said Monday that a code enforcement officer is needed to assist in the group's long range effort to clean up and beautify the city.

"I think the city is going to do it anyway," he said.

The committee will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Chamber of Commerce at 157 W. Second St. to discuss that and other issues, including having another "Make a Difference Day" on Saturday, March 25.

Reilly said the city council will be asked to keep the landfill open that day for residents to dump trash free.

One city trash truck and crew was assigned to pick up trash around town during the first Make a Difference Day last Oct. 23, and the KCCB hopes to have two or three trucks working in March, Reilly said.

Elderly and disabled people who have trouble keeping their yards clean should call the Chamber at 728-3403 prior to

Make a Difference Day to ask for help, he said, adding that requests will be screened to ascertain that they are legitimate.

Specific projects like last fall's painting of the Community Mission at 244 Chestnut St. and a fix-up of the historic Martin Dies home in the 300 block of Hickory Street might be selected.

Reilly, who is also the city's mayor pro tempore, said the KCCB's "Yard of the Month"

program will be reinstated this spring.

The program was operated through the summer and fall last year, actually designating four homeowners a month to receive a yard sign, recognition in the CCR and a KCCB award.

It was inaugurated late in the year because the committee had just been organized, Reilly said, but it will start with first bloom of spring this year.

Along with Reilly and KCCB Chairman Tom Scott, other committee members are Pearl Jefferson, Marge Kolman, Jay McCollum, Bob and Marilyn Brookshear, Eddie Wheeler, Danny Bell, Tom Whitesides, Tammy Johnson, Ed Blake and Glenna Fambro.



Georgy Martin and Sharessa Garrett

Martin, Miss Garrett will wed

The parents of Sharessa Renee Garrett and Georgy Martin are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming wedding of their children.

The bride is the daughter of Schylon Garrett and the late Kenneth Garrett of Roscoe.

The groom is the son of George and Brenda Martin of Loraine. He is also the great-nephew of Billie Martin of Colorado City.

The couple will marry at 6 p.m. April 8, 2000 at the Roscoe Church of Christ in Roscoe.

Sharessa attended Western Texas College in Snyder. She is employed by Mitchell County Farm Service Agency.

Georgy also attended Western Texas College in Snyder. He is currently farming in Loraine. He is also Mitchell County Democratic Chairman.

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There are no prerequisites for this training.

Club backs beautification

The Colorado City Garden Club met Thursday, Jan. 6 at Bama's House for the regular monthly meeting.

Florence Bodine presided over the meeting in the absence of President Wilma Reynolds, who was ill.

Bobbie Steakley led the prayer. Betsy Aycock introduced the guest speaker Tom Scott, chairman of Keep Colorado City Beautiful.

He explained the goals of the committee and the challenges and opportunities we, as a community, are facing. The purpose of the committee is to enhance the beauty of Colorado City.

"Our vision is to empower

people to help. Your home and surroundings reflect the image of the people who live here. Colorado City can be a dying West Texas town or we can create a new image and be a thriving and proud community," Scott explained.

After the program, the club went into a short business meeting. Minutes were read and approved. The treasury report was given.

Margaret Trulock gave a report on the poster contest. Twenty-eight members were present.

Guests were Amorita Lee and Tom Scott. Hostesses were Billie Marie Long, Dovie Brownfield and Carolyn Witten.

COOKING CORNER

Cinnamon, a spice commonly used in West Texas, is a sweet spice produced from the dried bark of an evergreen tree. It is one of our favorites since it is easily available.

Ground cinnamon is widely used in baking. It also flavors fruits, vegetables and meat dishes and is combined with sugar for a topping.

This week we are featuring recipes that include cinnamon in their list of ingredients. Try them!

Cinnamon Nuts

3 cups nuts
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 tablespoon vanilla

Combine nuts, sugar, cinnamon and five tablespoons water in small saucepan. Cook over low heat until mixture spins a thread when dropped from teaspoon. Add vanilla. Turn onto buttered cookie sheet; separate nuts while cooling. Yield: 12 servings.

Cinnamon Bars

2 tablespoons margarine
3/4 cups sugar
2 1/4 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
pinch of salt
1 cup milk
melted butter
1 cup (packed) brown sugar

2 teaspoons cinnamon
nuts (optional)

Cream margarine and sugar. Sift flour, baking powder and salt together; add to sugar mixture alternately with milk. Place in 8x8 inch buttered pan; spread top with melted butter. Combine brown sugar and cinnamon. Sprinkle brown sugar mixture and nuts over batter. Bake in 350° oven for 30 minutes. Cut into bars.

Cinnamon Sticks

1 cup flour
1 cup sugar
2 teaspoons cinnamon
3/4 cups margarine
1 egg, separated
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup chopped pecans

Sift flour, sugar and cinnamon together. Add margarine, egg yolk, and vanilla; mix well. Spread mixture 1/4 inch thick on cookie sheet. Beat egg white until light. Brush top with egg white; sprinkle with pecans. Bake at 325° for 30 minutes. Cool for 10 minutes; cut into sticks.

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A public hearing will be held before the City Council, during its regular session, on the 8th of February, 2000 at 6 pm at City Hall, 180 W. 3rd, Colorado City, Texas. The public hearing will be held to consider the following request for a variance: A variance for Block 3, Lot 10 in 3-4 in the Marshall Addition 1 for a side set back to accommodate a carport in the rear of the house. The request was made by Ricardo and Dolly Ann Ramirez of 845 E 7th Street, Colorado City, Texas on January 13, 2000. The public is encouraged to attend.

Elizabeth Turner, City Secretary

Dated: January 18, 2000

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Our 50th Anniversary Celebration

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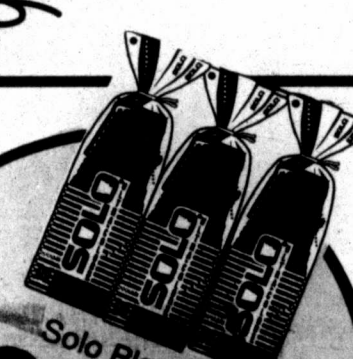


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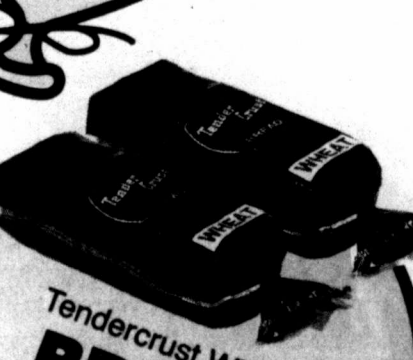
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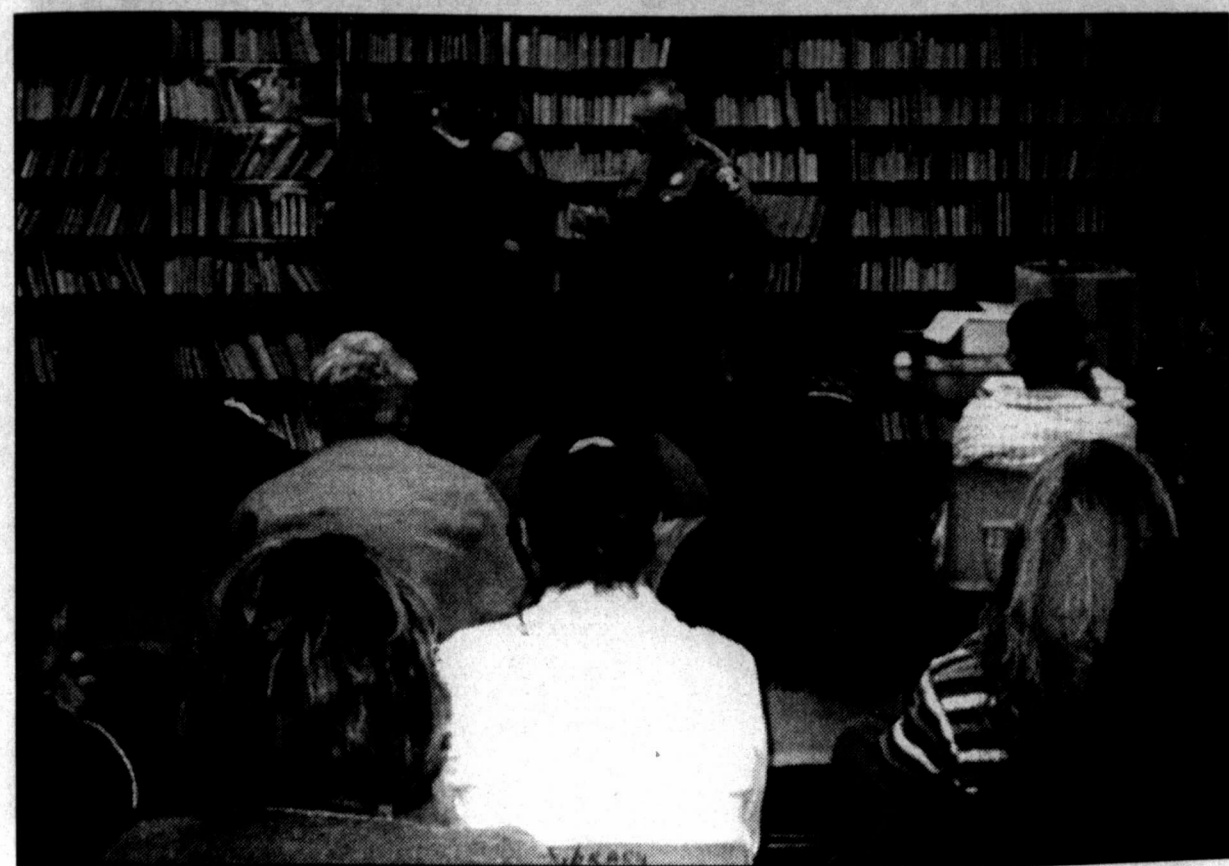
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY Trooper John Barton (r) of Midland recently visited Loraine School to present a program on drug and alcohol abuse entitled, "So you want to get wasted?" The program included a "mock" sobriety test given to Jesse McDaniel (l).

Trooper warns of drinking

Loraine High School students were presented a program entitled, "So You Want to Get Wasted?" by Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper John "Bubba" Barton.

Trooper Barton discussed the dangers of using alcohol and other mind altering drugs.

He began the program by discussing the "Zero Tolerance" policy toward teenage alcohol usage. Barton related, "A teen does not have to be drinking to be placed under arrest, any alcohol or empty alcohol container found in the car is probable cause."

"If the teen has alcohol on his or her breath," Barton continued, "there will be no questions asked, he or she will go to jail." He then discussed

the need for the designated driver. He went on to say, "The designated driver is not the person who drank the least; it is the person who did not drink at all."

Then Trooper Barton demonstrated, with the help of senior Jesse McDaniels and junior Leslie French, how the department administers the field sobriety test. Both students, wearing goggles coated with a substance to simulate blurred vision associated with alcohol use, were put through a series of tests.

After the demonstration, students asked questions and related their concerns about alcohol usage.

The program concluded with Trooper Barton showing a video comprised of personal

encounters with teenagers who abused alcohol and other mind altering drugs. Each of the teenagers on the video related how their alcohol abuse cost them everything including money, self-esteem and the trust of their parents.

Trooper Barton ended with his own personal narrative about an alcohol-related accident that he worked earlier in Midland. He imparted to the students how this was the worst accident he had ever worked.

He explained that while working with the victims, he saw the faces of his own children. He closed by saying, "When I got home that night, I went into my little girls' room, crawled into their bed, held them tightly and cried."

Kelley students participate in "100th Day" activities

The annual 100th day of school celebration was held at Kelley Elementary on Thursday, Jan. 20, 2000.

Staff and students spent the entire day on exercises, games and challenges all revolving around the number 100.

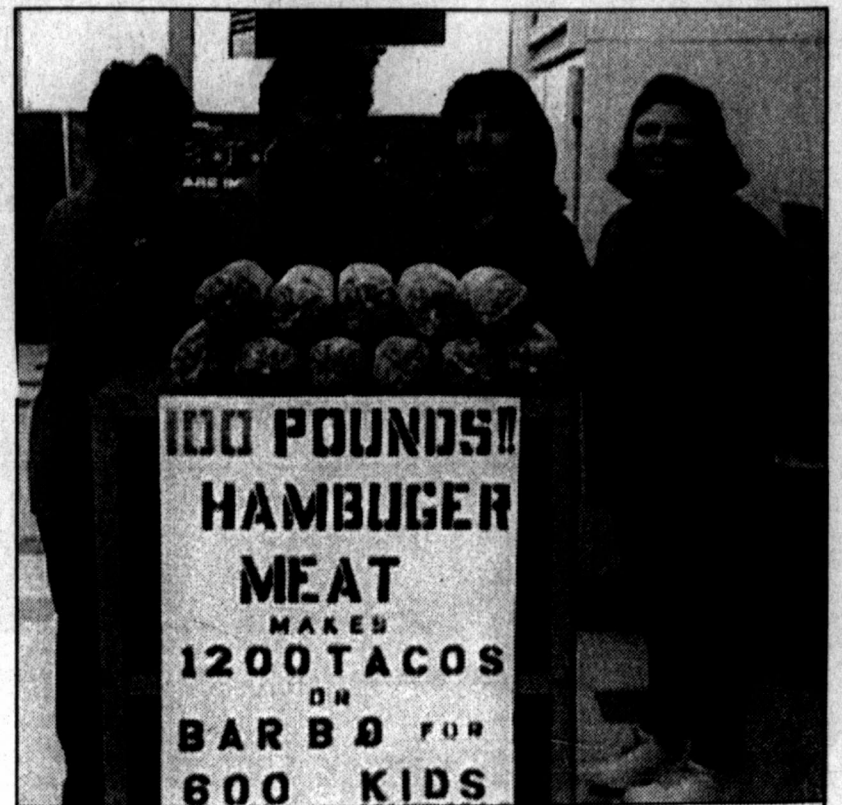
Colorado High School FHA students and drama students assisted the students in achieving their reading goals for the day (at least 100 books per grade level) in the morning. Then the students took Accelerated Reader tests in order to reach their personal goals.

The results for the campus were astounding — PK and Kindergarten students listened to 100 books; first graders read and passed 100 AR tests in just under two hours and the second grade read 240 books and passed 180 AR tests for the day.

In addition to reading, students were challenged in math activities throughout the day. Sorting, clipping a coin 100 times for probability, money problems, making pattern chains in groups of tens, making snack bags of 100 items, and hopping to 100 all contributed to the 100th Day theme.

The second grades decorated the 17th Street fence with "100 Days" written in cups, and the PK, K and first graders all tied 100 red ribbons around the sign.

The day culminated in a presentation by the CMS Stage Band and a speech by our favorite centenarian, Mr. L.B. Elliot, who will celebrate his 103 birthday in September of this year. After the assembly, the students enjoyed the 100th Day Celebration cake in the cafeteria.



THE CAFETERIA WORKERS joined in the 100th day of school celebration at Kelley Elementary Thurs., Jan. 20. Participating were: (l-r) Sylvia Davila, Pat White, Eva Martinez, and Sandy Carillo.

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SCHOOL MENUS

Colorado ISD Breakfast Menu Jan. 31 - Feb. 4

Monday - assorted dry cereals or cheese toast, chilled juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - assorted dry cereals or oatmeal with toast, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - assorted dry cereals or donut, chilled juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - assorted dry cereals or biscuit & gravy, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Friday - assorted dry cereals or eggs & toast, chilled juice, choice of milk.

Kelley Elementary Lunch Menu Jan. 31 - Feb. 4

Monday - taco burger, french fries, lettuce, tomato, cookies, choice of milk.

Tuesday - chicken nuggets with roll, mashed potatoes, gravy, glazed carrots, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - BBQ on a bun, cole slaw, baked beans, Dalmation pudding, choice of milk.

Thursday - chalupa, Spanish rice, lettuce, tomato, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Friday - mac & cheese, sweet peas, w.k. corn, cake, choice of milk.

Colorado Hutchinson Middle & High School Lunch Menu Jan. 31 - Feb. 4

Monday - hamburger or chicken patty on bun, french fries, lettuce, tomato, cookies, choice of milk.

Tuesday - corn dog or chicken nuggets, gravy, carrot sticks, dinner roll, orange half, choice of milk.

Wednesday - pizza or sloppy joe, french fries, ranch style beans, brownie, choice of milk.

Thursday - burrito or crispy taco, lettuce, tomato, refried beans, cobbler, choice of milk.

Friday - hot dog or grilled cheese sandwich, corn, tater tots, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Loraine ISD Breakfast Menu Jan. 31 - Feb. 4

Monday - cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Tuesday - cheese toast, bacon, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Thursday - scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuit, fruit, milk.

Friday - cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Loraine ISD Lunch Menu Jan. 31 - Feb. 4

Monday - grilled ham/cheese sandwich, corn, tater tots, pears, ketchup, milk.

Tuesday - chicken fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli with cheese, jello with fruit, bread, milk.

Wednesday - tacos, cheese, salad, pinto beans, salsa, crispy bar, milk.

Thursday - chicken noodle soup, salad, peaches, crackers, peanut butter, brownies, milk.

Friday - hot dog with chili, chili beans, french fries, frozen shape up, ketchup, milk.

Westbrook ISD Breakfast Menu Jan. 31 - Feb. 4

Monday - cereal, toast, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - biscuits, sausage, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday - breakfast pizza, fruit juice, milk.

Thursday - apple crispitos, fruit juice, milk.

Friday - cereal, toast, fruit juice, milk.

Westbrook ISD Lunch Menu Jan. 31 - Feb. 4

Monday - steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, biscuits, syrup, honey, milk.

Tuesday - spaghetti, black-eyed peas, spinach, garlic bread, jello, milk.

Wednesday - fish sticks, tater sauce, macaroni & cheese, English peas, peaches, milk.

Thursday - burritos, Mexican salad, corn, brownies, milk.

Friday - hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, french fries, goodie bar, milk.

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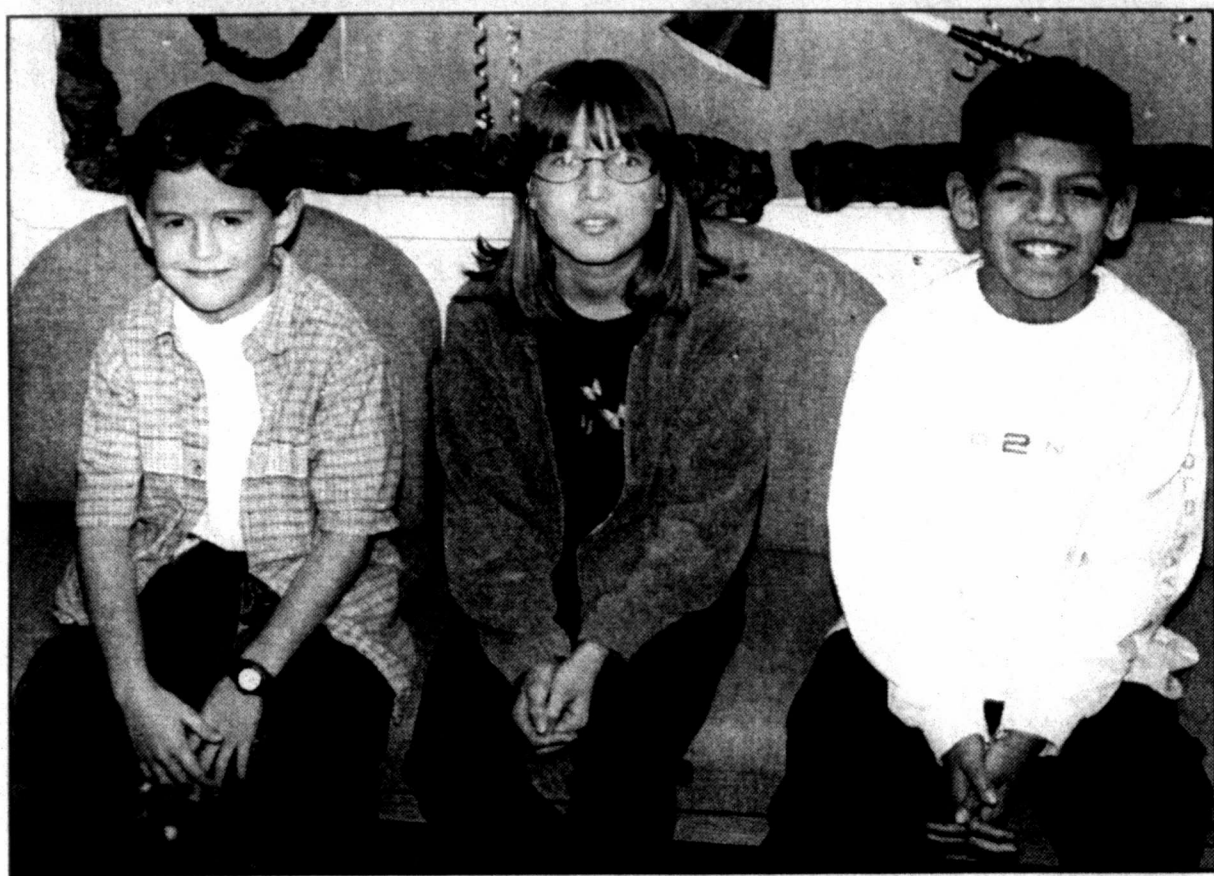
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HUTCHINSON ELEMENTARY Students of the Week are: (l-r) Daniel Perez, Amanda Free and Simon Reyna.

Hutchinson names its students of the week

Hutchinson Elementary has announced their choices for Students of the Week. The three students chosen were Daniel Perez, Simon Reyna and Amanda Free.

Daniel Perez, son of Ramiro and Stephanie Perez, is a third grader at Hutchinson Elementary.

His favorite subject is math and running a mile in P.E. is his favorite thing about Hutchinson. He has a special pet dog named Rocky.

Simon Reyna, son of Henry and Sylvia Reyna, is a fourth grader at Hutchinson. Writing and language are his favorite subjects in Mrs. Weaver's class.

Having fun is his favorite thing about his school.

Amanda Free, daughter of Jason and Elsa Free, is a fifth grader at Hutchinson. Biking and skating are two of her hobbies. She enjoys spending time with her friends and math is her favorite subject.



WESTBROOK STUDENTS OF THE MONTH are, from left, Drake Thurman, Matt Truelove, Jared Matlock, Jessica Fuentes and Monica Barboza. With them is the teacher of the month, home economics and health teacher Tammy Hardegree.



READY, SET, READ is an extensive reading program at Westbrook Schools in which a book fair was being planned Monday at the school auditorium. From left are Brynn Rich, Tyler Morris, Jeanine Bodine, Kyle Phariss and Veronica Matos.



CMS STUDENTS enjoyed their trip to the Grace Museum in Abilene where they view the Space 2000 exhibit. The exhibit included art work, photographs, a space suit and an authentic moon rock, along with information on the Mars Millennium Project.

CMS students enjoy Grace museum

On Tues., Nov. 23, 1999 the eighth grade students from Colorado Middle School traveled to the Grace Museum in Abilene to view the Space 2000: Visions of the Future exhibit.

The exhibit included the artwork of Robert and Louise McCall, NASA photographs, authentic moon rocks, Neil Armstrong's space suit, exhibits from Boeing, NASA, and Dyess AFB, and the Mars Millennium Project. The Mars Project was an educational initiative designed to involve America's students in designing a community for 100 people on the planet Mars in the year 2030.

Students worked on projects in most of their classes. In the Math classes the students worked on the actual community. One class actually built the community out of wood and made scale drawings. The other classes took one problem the community would face on Mars and tried to solve it.

Some sample problems were:

- trying to create oxygen (the atmosphere on Mars is 95% carbon dioxide),
- create or transport water (Mars has less than .03% water),
- create heat (Mars average temperature is minus 83 Celsius),
- or to improve soil for food production (Mars soil is mostly iron oxide, commonly referred to as rust).

Each class had to research, solve the problem and record their findings using computers, Internet and their studies from other classes.

In Science classes, students started off by doing a Mars Scavenger Hunt. They used internet web sites to find out many things about Mars including: distance from the sun, from the Earth, average temperature, largest volcanoes, components of the atmosphere and soil, length of a day and a year, etc.

Classes then studied space exploration from the beginning to now by reading about the race between the Soviet Union and the United States. They built rockets, tested them and made observations about what kind of rockets would fly the highest. The students then were faced with the challenge of building a rocket that would get them to Mars. Each class had rocket teams and a computer team. The rocket team actually designed, built, made a scale drawing and tested the rockets. The computer team was responsible for presentation of the data.

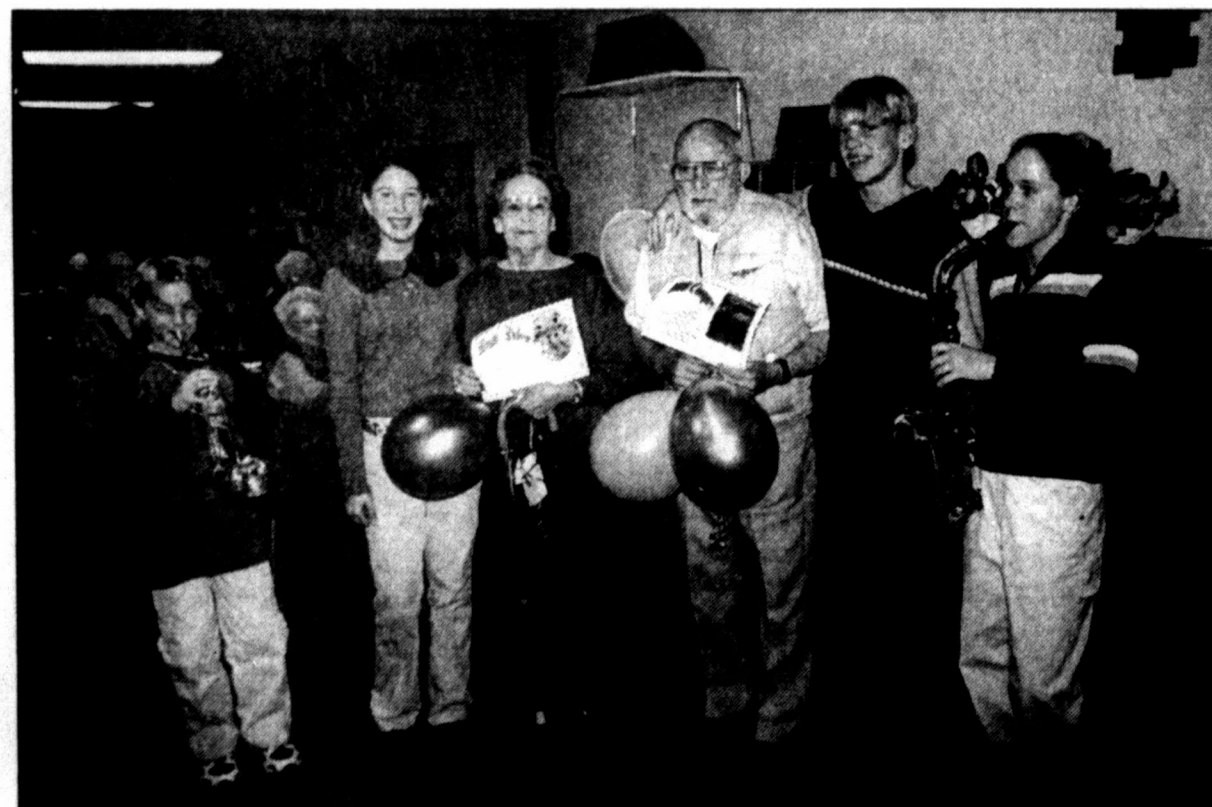
Reading classes wrote books, plays, comics and other written works about Mars. Some wrote books for children on Mars in the year 2030 about Earth life in the year 2000.

The GT class took their own innovative ideas and creativity and created many interesting projects. Some included a MAV (a vehicle

to transport you around Mars), a hover board (an air powered skateboard), a time capsule, a Martian newspaper, Martian shoes, a Blast from the Past CD, and a Martian ranch.

Some History classes designed the Mission patch and others were to develop a mission and plan for what colonists would be doing on Mars. They also had to describe the type of government that the colonists would put in place on Mars. Lastly, they had to identify the 100 colonists by occupation, age and sex that would be attempting to establish the colony on Mars. When the students completed the assignment they actually made the connections of why nations would want to colonize new lands, the importance of the type of government and the difficulty a nation has in ruling a colony that is farm from its native land. All of the ideas were compiled into one presentation. The most similar and best ideas from the assignment were used.

Students saw that hard work and creativity can lead to success. Museum personnel and service center specialists made many comments, including that the projects were remarkable. They also commented that Colorado City should be proud of their students, teachers who work with the students, and the administration that supports their efforts.



COLORADO MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS were wishing happy birthdays to a number of senior citizens last week at the Wallace Center, including Lenetta DuBose and Bill Cooper. With them, from left, are Dustin Wylie, Nicole Neff, Cole Arthur and Hannah Bassham.

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LORAINESTOCK SHOW Judge Jay Waller (l) presented Jamie Grice (r) with both the Grand Champion Steer and Showmanship Awards during the Loraine Stock Show held earlier this month.

Loraine stock show results

On Jan. 3, 2000, the annual Loraine Stock Show was held. Several Loraine FFA members exhibited their animals. The Judge was Jay Waller from Ira.

Results are as follows: Grand Champion Goat, Beau Preston; Goat Showmanship, Tyler Neel; Grand Champion Lamb, Jeanny Moore; Sheep Showmanship, Jennifer Rich; 1st place lamb, Jeanny Moore;

2nd place lamb, Stephanie Rich; 3rd place lamb, Stacy Parham; 4th place lamb, Jennifer Rich; 5th place lamb, Jeanny Moore.

Other results are: Grand Championship Pig, Nathan Oliver; Swine Showmanship, Eric Wooddell; 1st place Duroc, Eric Wooddell; 2nd place Duroc, Jonathan Garcia; 3rd place Duroc, Edward Car-

ington; 1st place Hamp, Nathan Oliver; 2nd place Hamp, Jonathan Garcia; 3rd place Hamp, Angela Wooddell; 4th place Hamp, Nathan Oliver; and 5th place Hamp, Johnny Lopez.

Other results are: 1st place OPB, Eric Wooddell; 2nd place OPB, Jeanny Moore; 3rd and 4th place OPB Jonathan Garcia; 5th place OPB, Angela Wooddell; 1st place Cross, Jonathan Garcia; 2nd place Cross, Angela Wooddell; 3rd place Cross, Eric Wooddell; 4th place Cross, Jennifer Rich; Grand Champion Steer, Jamie Grice; and Steer Showmanship, Jamie Grice.

7th grade Wolves play in Big Spring

The 7th grade Lady Wolves traveled to Big Springs and played hard.

The first game against Big Spring Thurs., Jan. 20 ended 39-10 with Jamie Bonner, leading the girls with six points followed by Lacy Combs and Alex Johnson both with 2.

Saturday the Lady Wolves played Snyder and came up short 44-9 with Lauren Ander-

son, scoring 4 points Brooke Smith, Alex Johnson, Jessica Garcia, all with 2.

The Lady Wolves played Sweetwater Saturday also and Jamie Bonner led the scoring for the Wolves with 6 points but couldn't overcome Sweetwater, losing 31-11.

Other scorers for the Lady Wolves were Lacy Combs, 2; Felicia Flores, 2; and Lauren Anderson, 1.

Powerlifting Results

The Colorado City Wolves powerlifting team competed in a meet at Kermit last weekend. Both teams had a very good meet, placing in most weight classes. The Lady Wolves placed in every weight class and also had a good meet.

Girls	Total	Place
Shanti Ross	635	1st
Teri Phariss	555	1st
Camille Molina	485	2nd
Rita Luera	515	2nd
Desiree Garcia	485	2nd
Ashley Stahl	360	2nd
Bethany Taylor	410	3rd
Rose Macedo	450	4th
Cassie Rivera	390	4th
Boys	Total	Place
Archie Goodman	1000	1st
Luke Fambro	985	2nd
Robert Sanchez	975	2nd
Leon Molina	1070	3rd
Mario Quintero	750	3rd

"Overall we had a great meet finishing 2nd overall for the Lady Wolves and third overall for the boys," said Coach Larry Hartwick.

Wolves solid in win over Cubs

Brownfield came to town Fri., Jan. 21 but left empty handed as the Wolves played a very solid offensive and defensive game, winning 55-50.

Holding off a 20 point fourth quarter rally by Brownfield, the win pushes the Wolves record up to 2-1 in district and 14-8 overall.

Brian Rivera was back and healthy and the offense played very well against the zone defense of Brownfield.

Andrew Spear, with two key 3-pointers in the third quarter, helped push the Wolves to the win. Aaron Waldrup was hurt with an ankle injury, but hopefully he'll return this week.

The score didn't reflect the

very well played game by the Wolves, as Brownfield committed several fouls in the fourth quarter, trying to stop the Wolves.

Scoring for the Wolves were Andrew Spear, 12; Marquis Lenard, 11; Chase Phariss, 10; Greg Green, 8; Heath McGaha, 6; Brian Rivera, 5; and Ian Bassham, 3.

Lamesa hands Wolves big loss

The Colorado City varsity boys got caught in a Lamesa Tornado, losing 54 to 35 last Tuesday in a game that was played very well defensively.

Missing for the Wolves was Brian Rivera, a good scorer. He was definitely missed as the

offense struggled all day making only 6 of 22 from the free throw line.

Playing very well defensively were Heath McGaha, Cort Arthur and Kevin Wright.

Coach Kimball commented that he feels that with a healthy

team, they can compete very well in the next meeting.

Top scorers were: Marquise Lenard, 16; Andrew Spear, 7; Chase Phariss, 5; Greg Green, 4; Heath McGaha, 2; and Ian Bassham, 1.

Lady Wolves beat Brownfield

After a loss on the road to Lamesa, the Lady Wolves rebounded and had a tremendous game here last Friday against Brownfield, winning 67-51 with three players in double digits.

Top scorers were Alison Lopez with 23, Vanessa Quintero with 17, Kim Rivera with 13, Kassi Redwine with 6, Margaret Ann Jameson with 4, Erica Grant and Teri Phariss, with 2 each.

The Lady Wolves now have a record of 6-18 and they are 2-3 in district after the first round. They are in fourth place, just one game behind Slaton, who will play here this Friday, Jan. 28.

Lamesa trips Lady Wolves

The Lady Wolves played Lamesa this past Tuesday and came away with a disappointing loss at Lamesa.

Scoring for Colorado City were Alison Lopez with 10

points, Margaret Jameson and Teri Phariss with 6, Vanessa Quintero and Kotia Russell with 4 each, Kim Rivera with 3 and Erica Grant with 2.

Jr. High girls lose

Mon., Jan. 17 the 8th grade Wolves faced Sweetwater in The Pit.

Going into the fourth quarter, the Wolves had a 1 point lead. But later in the fourth, Sweetwater outscored the Wolves by 12 points and pulled away for the win 46-35.

Scoring for Colorado City were: Jacobie Russell with 13, Cole Arthur with 12, Chris Spear with 6, Patrick Spear and Evan Jones, with 2.

Westbrook blows away Sands 62-51

With their first district win the Wildcats varsity boys are on their way playing a very tough Sands team. The Wildcats, with only six points in the first quarter, finished very strong with 19 fourth quarter points to win this past Tuesday.

Adam Roemisch with three 3-point goals led the way with 25 points. Other scorers were Eric Roberson, 9; Trey Roemisch, 7; Colt Rich, 6; Ty Calloway, 4; James Matos, 3; Ulalio Gutierrez, Roscoe Magers, Chris Matlock, Jeromy Polich, all with 2 points.

Wildcats beat BC

With a 54-51 win Friday night, the Wildcats overcome a long dry spell against Borden County.

Moving up to 2-2 in district and 12-6 overall, the Wildcats have a good chance to make the playoffs.

Top scorers were Chris Matlock, 19; Erick Roberson, 15; James Matos, 7; Trey Roemisch, 6; Adam Roemisch, 5; and Ulalio Gutierrez, 2.

W'brook JH loses

Grady defeated the Junior High Westbrook Wildcats 54-29 Thursday.

Westbrook's record is 3-6 and 1-5 in district play.

Coach Hill stated that although the team is young, they are improving and he is very proud of the progress so far.

Top scorers were Jared Matlock, 13; Jordan Johnson, 7; Cory Morton, 4; Nolan Frizzell, 4; and Brandon Williams, 1.

7th grade loses

Monday night the 7th grade Lady Wolves lost to Andrews in The Pit 20-11.

Lauren Anderson and Brook Smith led the scoring for the Lady Wolves, followed by Jamie Bonnie, 2 and Nicole Aguilar, 1.

8th grade ladies lose to Andrews

The 8th grade Lady Wolves played a very hard fought game Monday night but came up short. Tied at halftime, 14 all, both teams looked good. The third quarter was won by Andrews 6-1 and the Lady

Wolves never recovered going on to lose 26-21.

Top scorers were Nicole Neff 8, Amanda Guerra 7, Sandra Leija, Robyn Rodriguez and Hanna Bassham all with two.

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THE LJHS BULLDOGS placed first in the Blackwell Basketball Tournament held January 20, 21. Team members are: (standing, l-r) Coach Victor Garcia, Junior Delgado, Anthony Esquivel, George Davila, Cameron Smith, D.J. Vanderpool, Ryan Lucas; (kneeling, l-r) Anthony Briseno, Cloves Carrington, Andres Calderon and Michael Walker.



PLACING FIRST at the Blackwell Tournament this past weekend were the LJHS Lady Bulldogs. Participating were: (standing, l-r) Coach Victor Garcia, Amanda Walker, Ashley Smith, Sonya Barrera, Sintia Calderon, Stephanie Rich, Elizabeth Martinez, Gloria Rodriguez, Krystal Limones; (kneeling, l-r) Tricia Sanchez, Eliza Martinez, Crystal Sanchez, Elissa Garcia, Stacy Parham, and April Bailey.

8th grade Lady Wolves compete in Big Spring

The 8th grade Lady Wolves competed in a basketball tournament in Big Springs, Jan. 20 through Jan. 24. The ladies first game matched them with Big Spring. In a well fought game, Big Spring pulled out the win 31-25.

Leading scorers for the Lady Wolves were Amanda

Guerra 6, Nicole Neff 8, Shalynn Harris 5, Hannah Bassham 4, Ashley Wright 2.

Saturday, the girls played Snyder to a first quarter score of 6-8, but Snyder played very

well the rest of the game and went on to win 50-18. Top scorers were Amanda Guerra

and Nicole Neff, both with 8, and Sandra Leija 2.

Game three paired the girls with Sweetwater in a very close game. Both teams played great defensively with a low scoring game that Sweetwater pulled out by only one point 17-16.

Scoring for the Lady Wolves were Amanda Guerra 6, Shalynn Harris 5, Sandra Leija and Nicole Neff both with 2 and Ashley Wright 1.

The Lady Wolves walked away without a win but played very well and very easily could have won two of the games.



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Loraine JHS teams win in Blackwell

Both the Loraine Junior High boys and girls went 3-0 in the Blackwell Basketball Tournament held Jan. 20, 21.

The victories started with the Lady Bulldogs winning Thursday over Roscoe 32-23, with a great first quarter. The ladies pulled away and never lost the lead.

Top scorers were Tricia Sanchez with 9, Amanda Walker, 6; Sonya Barrera, 5; Eliza Martinez and April Bailey, 3; and Ashley Smith, Krystal Sanchez, Gloria Rodriguez, all with 2 points each.

Friday, the Loraine Junior High boys scored 22 points in the first quarter and went on to win 36-23 over Roscoe.

Top scorers were George Davila with 11, Michael Walker with 6, Anthony Esquivel with 5, Ryan Lucas with 4, Cloves Carrington with 3, and Junior Delgado, Andres Calderon, Anthony Briseno, all with 2 and D.J. Vanderpool with 1.

The second game for the Bulldogs started quick with 33 points scored in the first half against Highland. The boys went on to win 43-15.

Top scorers were Anthony Esquivel, 14; Ryan Lucas, 12; George Davila, 7; Michael Walker, 5; Cloves Carrington, 3; and Cameron Smith, 2.

The boys' championship game featured Loraine and Trent. Again, the Loraine boys led start to finish and won the final game 35-10.

Top scorers were Ryan Lucas and George Davila with 11 points each, Anthony Esquivel, 4; Michael Walker, 3; Cloves Carrington, Cameron Smith, and Junior Delgado, all with 2 each.

The Lady Bulldogs' second game was Friday against Highland. With 22 points in the first half, the Lady 'Dogs

never looked back, going on to win 42-16.

Top scorers were Sonya Barrera and Amanda Walker with 12 points each, Eliza Martinez, 8; Sintia Calderon and Tricia Sanchez, both with 4 and April Bailey, 2.

Once again it was time for another championship game. This time for the ladies and

they also won a great game over Blackwell 42-34.

Top scorers were Eliza Martinez, 14; Tricia Sanchez, 11; Amanda Walker, 7; Sonya Barrera, 6; and Sintia Calderon, 4.

Both the girls and boys had a tremendous tournament and finished with three wins and no losses.

Sands beats Westbrook girls

Sands won big over Westbrook last Tuesday by a score of 90-51. The Lady Wildcats are 0-3 in district and 10-7 overall.

Top scorers were Brook

Dawson, 19; Brynn Rich, 10; Toni Brag, 6; Jenny Wright, Veronica Matos, April Chambers and April Ginkinger, all with 4 points each.

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Andrews beats 8th grade Wolves

The 8th grade Wolves outscored Andrews in the first quarter 16-14 and only scored 11 total points in the remaining three quarters, taking a tough road loss 67-27 last Monday.

Top scorers were: Jacobie Russell, 9; Cole Arthur and Sam Crockett, 5; Chris Spear and Mario Doolittle, each with 4.



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By Bessie Ann Vaughn

We hope you are staying well this winter and enjoying the cooler weather.

If you are interested in politics just zap on the TV (round the clock).

We have almost another year to go before TV land will show us something else.

It's true people get turned off by hearing about it so long, but you still need to vote wherever and whenever you can.

On Sunday, Jan. 23, Paula Muñoz celebrated her birthday at her home with 50 family members present.

A brisket meal with all the trimmings, along with birthday cake, was served.

Nathaniel Thomas, a grandson from Plano, also celebrated his 17th birthday with all the family members.

Those in attendance came from Plano, Arlington, San Angelo, Grand Prairie, Gail, Lorraine, Big Spring, Snyder, Abilene, Roscoe, Midland, Sweetwater and Colorado City.

Ken and Vicki Halfman of San Angelo spent the weekend with Henry and Lisa Mitchell. Lisa also says, hello Danny Camp.

Jim and Margie Wilks were in Lorraine Wednesday. Mr. Wilks is running for 32nd District Judge and campaigned some.

They visited at the Center and ate lunch.

Virgil and Geraldine Parnell visited with Edgar Herm and wife Oma last week.

Lorraine JH girls lose to Blackwell, 38-17

Lorraine's varsity boys recorded another win Tuesday, beating Highland 64-40.

Top scorers were Johnny Lopez, 24; Rene Garcia, 13; Edward Carrington, 11; Daniel Martinez, 8; David Ellis, 6; and Nick Ruiz, 2.

The Herms live in Ackerly. They are both having health problems so we send them well wishes and hope by now they are both feeling better.

Congratulations to Eloise McDaniel as she won the big prize of 1,000 at Fullers grocery store drawing.

The Ready Sunday School Class at First Baptist Church surprised Joy Dickenson with a noon luncheon (going away party), at Garcia's in Colorado City last Tuesday.

Attending the luncheon were: Iva Armstrong, Billie Schroeder, Juanice Butler, Julia Green, Iris Preston, Geraldine Parnell, Allie Ruth Wiggins, Margaret Brame, Gus Armstrong, who took pictures and escorted the ladies, plus host Joy Dickenson.

The honoree was given a Daily Devotional Book from her class.

Oscar Singleton is a proud great-granddad. On Jan. 9th, little Miss Rachel Allyson Black came into the world weighing in at a dainty 10 pounds and was 22 inches long.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clint Black of Yorktown, Texas.

Jo Hays McAdams passed away Dec. 24, 1999 in Spearman, Texas. She is survived by her husband, Sidney W. McAdams of the home plus two daughters and one son.

Five sisters and one brother and several grandchildren also survive her.

Some of us are just now learning about this sad event. Our condolence goes out to her family and friends.

Narl and Joan Long went to Midland to watch grandchildren in a stock show Friday.

Grandson Ryan Market returned home with the Longs. He has chicken pox. Grandmother is helping out so that his parents can continue working.

I spoke with Barbara Hall

Monday morning, Jan. 24 and she reported that Chrystene is to be moved to a private home in Stephenville, Texas.

The same lady that took care of Barbara and Betty's mother will by Chrystene's nurse. Her name is Ann Woods.

We will be sorry to see the Halls leave but we want what's best for all the family. They leave many friends behind. Our prayers and well wishes go with them.

You may have an address for Chrystene, 1701 Bingham, Stephenville, TX 76401.

We said goodbye to Joy Dickenson Friday as she is moving to Midland.

We will miss her as she has been an asset to our community as well as good neighbor and friend to many.

Joy and her husband both taught school in Lorraine, and Joy taught music for two years in grade school at Colorado City before her tenure began in the Lorraine school system.

Mr. Dickenson was principal also for several years.

Joy's friends will tell you she was helpful in church, school, nursing homes and for many years taught at the Baptist Mexican Mission here.

She will be missed. We wish her happiness in her new home.

Visitors in the home of Joy Dickenson over the weekend were her brother and nephew, Roger Moreau and Brad Moreau of Altus, Oklahoma, and her daughter, Mary Ann Robey of Midland.

Lorraine Manor Minnie reports that residents are exercising every morning now.

Bingo is on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Horseshoe pitching will be Jan. 24th.

Everyone is looking forward to popcorn and a movie. January birthdays belong to Wanda Martin, Agnes Hogue and Domingo Gomez. They will have their birthday party January 27.

No one is in the hospital at this time.

Senior Center Last week the Norwoods with Charles Dunn entertained us with their good music and last Monday Sarah Gohery, Gus Armstrong and Charles Dunn had more good music for us.

Last Friday after lunch Gaye Piland and her mother, LaJuan Green came by. They both looked so good.

Eddie and Gaye are building a new home in Salado, Texas. It is pretty country around Salado. Hope they are happy there.

The Bumans, James and Mildred, came for lunch with Wayne and Lenette Dubose. Nice to see them.

Marie Hare dropped by for lunches for Lucille Frazier and Mr. Jarrett.

"Take Care of Your Health" Weegie, have you heard from our friend Wilma lately?

The last I heard she was taking a computer class, and that was two weeks ago. She was really upset then about getting a virus.

Oh no, was it the flu? I seem to recall she said she caught a virus that showed up in her mail and corrupted her. It made it hard for her to drive.

What a shame, Weegie. I know, but that's not it, she mentioned having a floppy disk that was bent out of shape.

Well for heavens sake, she needs a good chiropractor. You know, a rub doctor.

Maybe so, but the last thing she said was that she needed to download and involve her mom.

Well bless her heart, she may have to see an innerologist.

You know Weegie, you just never can tell, can you?

Ain't it the truth, ain't it the truth!

Take care and see you about town.



LORRAINE SCHOOL Citizens of the Week are: (l-r) Justin Briseno, Eric Wooddell, Eli Calderon and Sabrina Neel.

Lorraine farm sale Bulldogs defeat Highland

The 12th Annual Farm Sale of the Lorraine Volunteer Fire Department will be held Sat., Mar. 25, 2000.

The Lorraine Fire Department has two pumpers, four rural trucks and one EMT van. In emergency cases, the department also has access to a 3000-gallon water truck and a 5000-gallon water truck, courtesy of Mitchell County Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Preston.

The department works wrecks on I-20 with fire trucks and the EMT van to help protect EMT, DPS and Sheriff's Officers who work the accident.

Anyone with items to be included in the sale, please contact Donnie Phillips at 737-2933, Donald Graham, 737-2744, and Kevin Hutson, 235-9639.

In the past year, the Lorraine Volunteer Fire Department has installed a repeater for the radio system.

Bulldogs still winning 38-26

With a perfect record of 6-0 in district and 13-0 overall, the Junior High boys are playing at the top of their game.

This Monday the boys defeated Blackwell 38-26 to continue a tremendous season.

Top scorers were Ryan Lucas with 13, Anthony Esquivel with 13, George Davila with 6, Junior Delgado with 4, and Cameron Smith with 2.

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dio system. Last year's sale made the purchase of 20 portable radios possible.

Bulldogs beat Highland, 38-17

This week the Lorraine JH girls hosted Blackwell, with Blackwell taking the win 38-17 in a very low scoring game for Lorraine.

The Lady 'Dogs now have a record of 11-3 overall and 4-2 in district.

Bulldogs defeat Highland

Tuesday the Lady Bulldogs defeated Highland 41-35, improving their record to 5-10 and 1-0 in district.

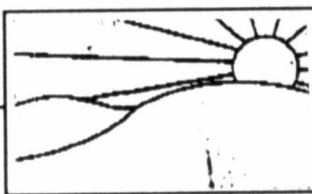
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Sincerely,
Jane Andrews

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to Dr. Gross, Mitchell County Hospital, and Joann Merket for her very efficient nursing staff. They are great! A special thanks to Loraine Manor for their loving care, the First Baptist Church, Bro. Brantly, Kiker-Seale Funeral Home, all the prayers, flowers and cards from family and friends and to the Senior Center who prepared our delicious lunch.

The Family of Stella Tillison
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FILING NOTICE

Board of Directors
Region XIV Education Service Center
Candidates for Place 1 (Mitchell and Scurry Counties); Place 3 (Haskell, Jones, and Shackelford Counties) and Place 5 (Callahan and Taylor Counties except Abilene Independent School district) may file between February 1 and February 20, 2000, either in person at 1850 State Highway 351, Abilene, Texas between 8 am and 5 pm Monday-Friday or by certified mail to the executive director, Region XIV Education Service Center, 1850 Highway 351, Abilene, Texas 79601. There is no filing fee. Eligibility requirements, further information, and filing forms may be received from Terry A. Harlow, Executive Director, Region XIV Education Service Center.

NOTICE DE REGISTRACION PARA LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DE

REGION XIV EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER
Candidatos para el Lugar 1 (los condados de Mitchell and Scurry); y para el Lugar 3 (los condados de Haskell, Jones and Shackelford); y para el lugar 5 (los condados de Callahan and Taylor menos el distrito escolar de Abilene) pueden registrarse entre las fechas del primero de febrero hasta el veinte de febrero, 2000, en persona en las oficinas del Region XIV, en calle 1850 State Highway 351, Abilene, Texas, desde las ocho de la mañana hasta las cinco de la tarde de Lunes a Viernes; o por carta certificada dirigida al director ejecutivo, Region XIV Education Service Center, 1850 Highway 351, Abilene, Texas 79601. No hay cobro para registrarse. Mas informacion sobre las formas de registracion, y sobre los requisitos necesarios para estos puestos pueden ser obtenidos de Terry A. Harlow, el director ejecutivo, Region XIV Education Service Center.

BID PROPOSAL REQUEST

Mitchell County Commissioners Request will receive sealed proposals at the office of the County Judge, 349 Oak, Rm. 200, or the County Auditor, 355 Oak, Colorado City, TX 79512 until 9:00 am, February 14, 2000, for one new or used tractor truck with minimum 38,000 lbs tandem rear axles. For more information contact Precinct 4 Commissioner, Bill Preston at 915-728-2735. Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals and/or waive any and all formalities. Susan Buckalew County Auditor

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Outreach program sponsors needed

The Texas Department of Human Services is requesting proposals from organizations to provide nutrition education and increase participation in the Food Stamp program. The

outreach program will be designed for state residents who are at risk of inadequate nutrition and health related problems.

Authorization for the program was included in House

Bill 1 by the 76th Legislature, and signed by governor Bush in June.

Recognizing the importance of an adequate diet, the state and federal governments have established food and nutrition programs to help persons achieve an adequate diet. This outreach program is based on the correlation between an adequate diet and good health. \$700,000 has been set aside for this endeavor.

"This outreach program will seek to assist persons who truly need help in accessing nutrition related programs. The Texas Department of Human Services maintains a commitment to those in need," said Eric M. Bost, Commissioner of the agency.

Funding for the outreach program comes from funds

earned by employees of the Texas Department of Human Services. The agency achieved an "enhanced funding" bonus from the federal government for its outstanding administration of the Food Stamp program.

Eligible organizations include non-profit community-based entities or councils of government, institutions of higher learning, faith-based organizations, and service organizations (such as PTAs, United Way, Second Harvest Food Banks and etc).

Organizations interested in this outreach effort can obtain information from the Texas Department of Human Services by calling Debbie Ake at 915/690-2201, or visiting the agency's website at www.dhs.state.tx.us.

Financial aid workshop to be held at Colorado High

So, you've decided to go to college or trade school -- now what? How will you ever pay for it?

Colorado High School Counselor Cliff Vlasin will hold a financial aid workshop for seniors and their parents at 7 p.m. January 27 in the high school cafeteria. The primary focus will be the

new Free Application For Student Aid (FAFSA) form. These forms are now available to all seniors in the counselor's office.

Mr. Vlasin is also scheduling individual consultations with senior students and their parents to discuss post-secondary plans. To schedule an appointment, call 728-3424.

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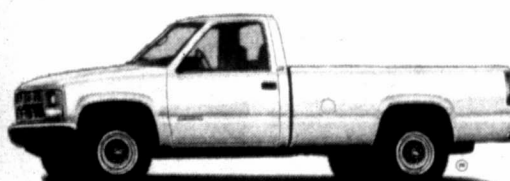
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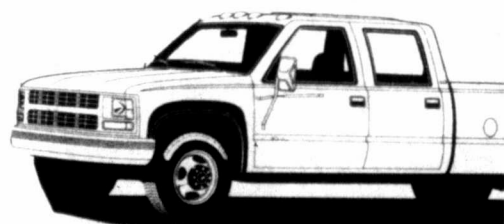
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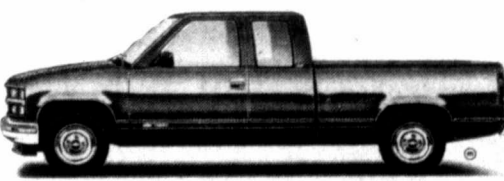
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