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Answerline

Q. When is the annual Chamber Banquet going to be held?

A. The banquet is scheduled for Friday, March 6th. No other information was available at press time.

Briefs

Band Boosters
CHS band boosters will meet Thursday, Feb. 19th at 6 p.m. in the high school band hall.

Mitchell County Youth Baseball
Mitchell County Youth Baseball will have sign-ups for kids 4-years and older as of April 30 for the 2015 season. Sign-ups will be held Friday, February 20th at the C.C. Thompson Room from 5:30-7 p.m., Monday February 23rd C.C. Thompson Room from 5:30-7 p.m., Thursday, March 5th at the Railroad at Texas Fast from 5:30-7 p.m. and Saturday, March 14th at the Railroad Trade Days from 9-5. Cost will be \$60 per child.

Fundraiser
Relay for Life team Gabby will be having a hamburger plate fundraiser at Fullers starting at 2 p.m. on Saturday, February 21st, weather permitting.

Glow Run
The RFL group Cancerbusters will hold a 5K Glow Fun Run/Walk on Sat., Mar. 24th at 8 p.m. in Loraine. Cost is \$10 for those 3 to 12 and \$20 for those 13 and up. Brisket burritos, glow paint, necklaces and bracelets will be sold at the event. For more information, contact Becky Benavidez at 737-2225.

Pancake Supper
The 41st annual Kiwanis Pancake Supper will be held Feb. 27th at the CMS Cafeteria from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Adults eat for \$7 each and kids eat for \$4 each. Tickets may be purchased from any Kiwanis member or at the door.

Obituaries

Winnie Carroll
EASTLAND

Barbara Ann Holladay Hamer
LAMESA

Donald R. Webb
OLDEN

Around Town

Mike Sherpinkas working as a tour guide... Happy birthday Allen Rose (Feb. 23rd)... Happy birthday Jerri Kimball (Feb. 20)... Jacqueline Mendoza leaving for the Navy soon... Kash Wood hanging out with the Chipmunks... Happy birthday Lulu Boyd (Feb. 21)... Don't forget Bingo Night on Feb. 28th in Loraine... Kyle O'Haver counting birds... Jan Lemons awards a 3rd place trophy... See Golden Chick coupons in today's paper...



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Safety is top concern in new school

Construction is going full steam ahead on the new Colorado ISD kindergarten through 8th grade campus just south of Colorado High School. Work crews of all types can be found at the site, as everything from concrete pouring to welding steel beams is taking place.

The state-of-the-art campus is designed to keep students safe while they learn and features five safe rooms strategically placed around the campus. These rooms are made of solid concrete, and the walls are one-foot thick.

During construction, cinder blocks are set and concrete is poured down inside the blocks. The rooms are constructed to protect students and staff from everything from intruders to storms.

Identification cards will be issued to staff, and card swiping systems will be put in around the campus as a way to control who is allowed in different parts of the buildings. Construction Superintendent Mike Sherpinkas said that when construction is completed, students will be able to navigate the campus without exiting the building.

Each pre-k, kindergarten and 1st grade classroom will be

equipped with its own restroom, reducing the time students spend outside the class. Panic buttons are also being installed which will alert administrators to trouble.

Today's schools must meet the growing demand for technology-proficient students. With that in mind, all areas of the new campus will provide students and teachers with access to broadband data. Classrooms are being wired to support an ever-expanding list of technological devices.

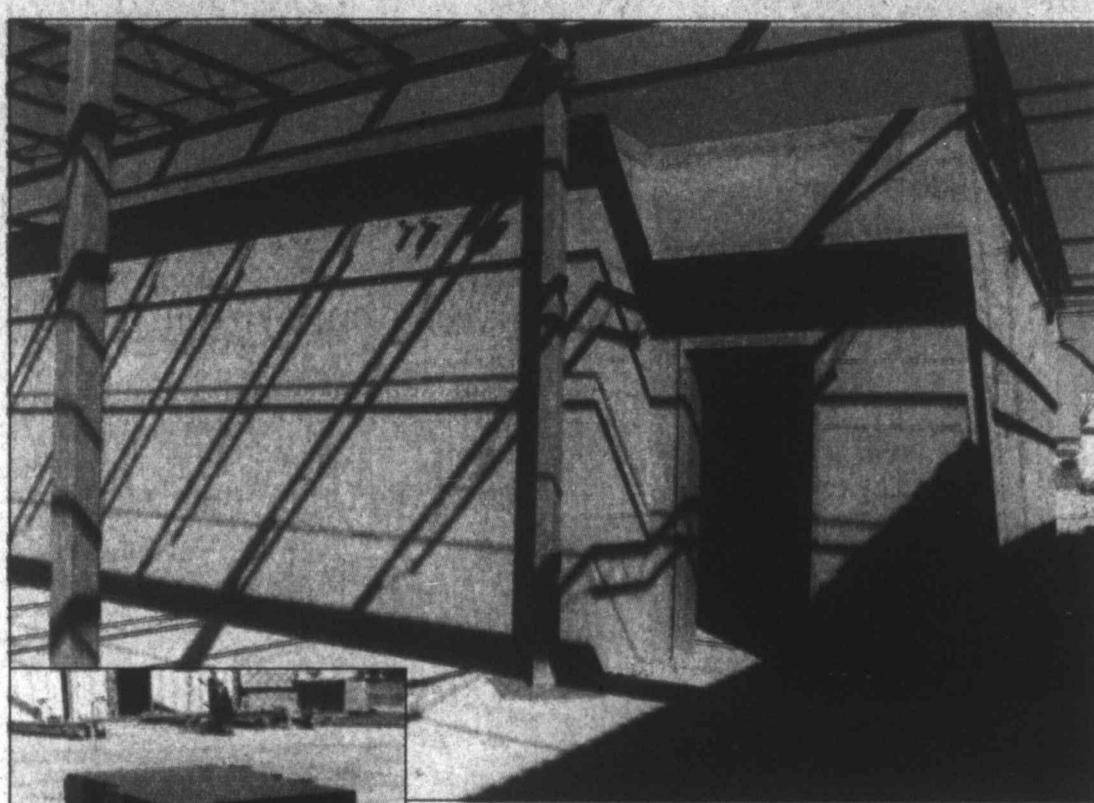
The building is being built with five classroom wings. One houses pre-k and kindergarten classrooms, one for 1st and 2nd grade, one for 3rd and 4th grade, another for 5th and 6th grade and, of course, one for 7th and 8th grade.

Learning standards are rising each year, and CISD administrators took that into consideration when planning the new campus. Science labs will be available to all 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade students, as well as a new library.

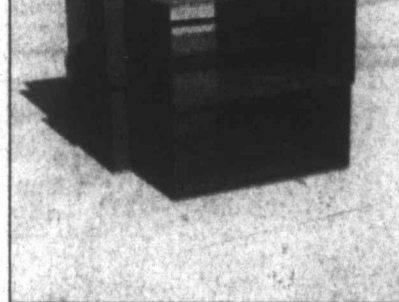
A central administration office with ample windows will make wandering the halls unnoticed a thing of the past.

Two gymnasiums will provide

See CISD, page 5



ABOVE - SAFETY FIRST - Safe rooms, like this one, are being built in strategic places around the new K-8 Colorado ISD campus. When construction is completed, there will be five safe rooms with concrete walls one foot thick, as well as a concrete slab roof. The rooms will be used as classrooms but will serve as safe rooms if needed.



LEFT - TOO SMALL TO FIT - Ducting sleeves, like this one with bars in the middle, will be installed in the safe rooms. The bars will prevent people or debris from coming in or out of the room.



THREE VEHICLES INVOLVED - Three vehicles were involved in an accident on I-20 near mile marker 208, one mile east of Westbrook, about 4:45 p.m. Tuesday afternoon. A driver from Florida was airlifted by helicopter from the scene, while the other was not injured. Only two pickups had drivers, as one vehicle was being towed.

Moving day over; residents settling in to new facility

There are always certain anxieties when a big move is looming, and that fact is no different for residents of local nursing homes. Fortunately, with a lot of help from family members and staff, the residents of Valley Fair Lodge moved into the building that was formerly Kristi Lee Manor and are settling in nicely.

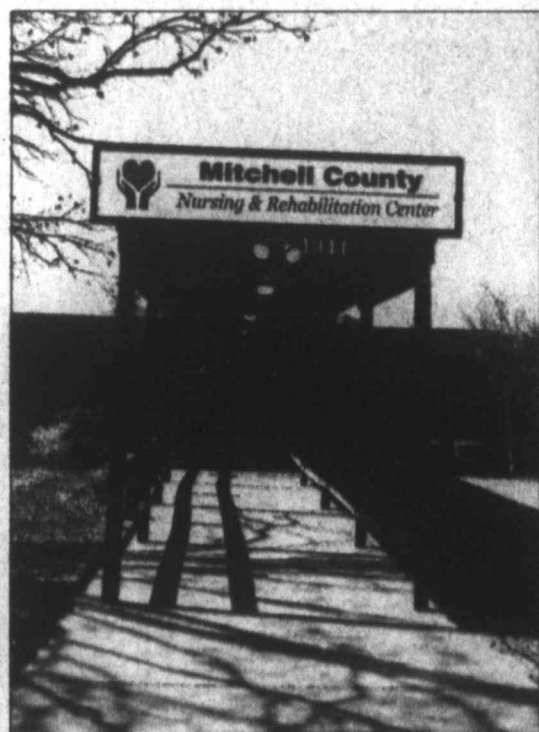
Kristi Lee Manor, a private long-term care facility, was recently purchased by the Mitchell County Hospital District. About two weeks ago, residents living at Valley Fair Lodge were moved into the Mitchell County Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, as it is now named.

The facilities administrator, Marsha Rickard, said that, with the help of family members and a good turnout of staff, all residents were moved in on Sunday, February 1st. Changes bring on concerns, but that's expected.

"It's like going from a really small family to a really large family," Rickard said, as she described combining the two facilities.

She went on to say that moving day went like clock-

See FACILITY, page 5



SUCCESSFUL MERGER - Residents of the former Valley Fair Lodge and Kristi Lee Manor are settling in after patients from Valley Fair were moved into the building that was formerly Kristi Lee Manor. A sign reflecting the new name of the facility was installed last week. Photo courtesy of Audra Hoback.

Filings slow for elections

Councilman Sammy Contreras has filed to run for re-election as a representative of District 1 in the City of Colorado City. Contreras joins Mayor Jim Baum in filing, and so far, they are the only two. Citizens have until Friday, February 27th to file for a place on the ballot for upcoming city and school elections.

Three seats on the city council are up for election. District 1, held by Sammy Contreras; District 2, held by Craig Jolley; and District 5, held by Keith Hiser will be open for election this year.

Two at-large seats are up, along with the mayor's position, at the City of Loraine. According to

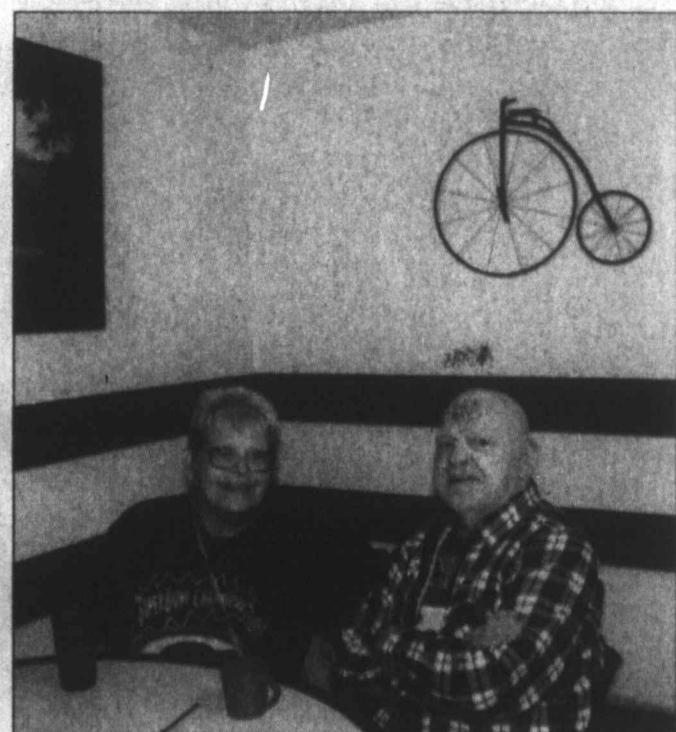
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Pancake supper to be held Feb. 27th

Club members are making the final preparations for the 41st Annual Kiwanis Pancake Supper. The annual fundraiser helps fund many of the club's charitable youth activities.

The supper is set to be held Friday, February 27th at the Colorado Middle School Cafeteria. All-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage, bacon and drinks will be served to all attending.

Serving begins at 5 p.m. and continues until 7:30 that evening. See SUPPER, page 5



A NEW LOOK - Jan and Hank Millering enjoy the new look of the dining room, just one of the areas of the former Kristi Lee Manor building that has been updated and brightened since the hospital district purchased the facility. Residents from Valley Fair Lodge moved over to the location at 1941 Chestnut which is now called Mitchell County Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

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City	Feb. '15	Feb. '14	+/-	Year '15	Year '14	+/-
Abilene	\$4,525,370.31	\$4,226,114.04	7.08%	\$7,702,473.04	\$7,186,445.45	7.18%
Big Spring	\$1,017,670.98	\$947,848.52	7.36%	\$1,797,527.11	\$1,590,610.20	13.00%
Colorado City	\$82,818.10	\$75,274.66	10.02%	\$137,656.71	\$137,104.69	0.40%
Lamesa	\$184,981.46	\$169,656.57	9.03%	\$316,095.53	\$286,821.80	10.20%
Loraine	\$3,329.97	\$2,669.66	24.73%	\$6,778.44	\$3,481.36	94.70%
Lubbock	\$7,277,518.78	\$6,899,223.45	5.48%	\$12,100,617.79	\$11,404,003.49	6.10%
Mitchell Co.	\$48,471.32	\$40,441.19	19.85%	\$84,089.97	\$74,286.77	13.19%
Post	\$114,505.48	\$108,067.48	5.95%	\$208,641.32	\$197,777.28	5.49%
Roby	\$4,207.17	\$3,770.41	11.58%	\$6,994.13	\$6,094.55	14.76%
Rotan	\$23,061.18	\$22,561.96	2.21%	\$37,883.13	\$40,308.22	-6.01%
Snyder	\$440,677.53	\$390,562.12	12.83%	\$794,023.62	\$727,182.33	9.19%
Sweetwater	\$371,810.30	\$335,308.67	10.88%	\$668,238.00	\$609,529.98	9.63%
Westbrook	\$8,818.68	\$1,997.44	341.49%	\$11,605.76	\$4,594.17	152.61%

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Despite the lack of contribution Days Inn once made to the city's sales tax allocations, Colorado City's sales tax payment for February is up by about 10%. The City of Colorado City received \$82,818.10 this month, which represents sales from December 2014.

According to figures released by Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar, the city's payments to date are up by about \$500 from last year.

Sales in Westbrook took a sharp rise in December, as reflected by the 341% increase in sales tax payment to the city to the west. February's \$8,818.68 payment is a huge jump from the \$1,997.44 payment Westbrook received this time last year.

Loraine's sales are on the upswing as well, and this month's payment of over \$3,000 is in line

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OBITUARIES

Winnie Carroll 1914-2015

EASTLAND-- Mrs. Winnie Carroll, age 100, formerly of Colorado City, died Tuesday, February 10, 2015, in an Eastland care center. Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, February 11, 2015 in the Colorado City Cemetery under the care and direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Carroll was born April 4, 1914 in Hagansport to W. F. and Pinky May Rogers Grimes. She married Lon Milton Carroll on July 21, 1928 in Loraine. He preceded her in death on March 2, 1967. She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist church.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Barbara Ann Holladay Hamer 1933-2015

LAMESA-- Funeral services for Barbara Ann Holladay Hamer, 81, were held Monday, February 16, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Chapel with Brother Jim Medley officiating. Burial followed at 4:00 p.m. in the Colorado City Cemetery. Visitation was held Sunday, February 15, 2015 from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at Branon Funeral Home. Arrangements are under the direction of Branon Funeral Home in Lamesa.

Barbara passed away Friday, February 13, 2015 in Lamesa. She was born September 22, 1933 in Snyder to Barney Lee and Lovilla (Chandler) Holladay. Barbara was a real estate agent for many years and loved spending time with her family and her little dog "Lady". She also enjoyed painting and gardening. Barbara is survived by children, Debbie and husband Bob Macy of Post, Danna and husband Mike Cross of Abilene, Darla and husband Rocky Sheppard of Lamesa, Mitch Hamer and wife Pam of Midland and DeeAnn Hamer of Lamesa; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Barbara is preceded in death by her parents; brother and grandson Joshua Brown. The family suggests memorials to a charity of your choice. To send condolences online, please visit www.branonfuneral-home.com.



Stolen car is returned to owner

On Sunday, February 8th, Ashley Lefler got a surprise that was not pleasant. When she went outside at approximately 9 a.m. that morning, she found that her car had been stolen. Fortunately, the 2014 Dodge Dart was recovered later the same day.

CCPD Police Chief Luis Aguilar said that officers responded to a residence in the 700 block of E. 9th Street regarding a call about a stolen vehicle. Lefler said that when her husband came home from work around 3:30 a.m. Sunday morning, they heard some noises outside.

Police say the theft must have occurred between that time and 9 a.m. when officers were notified.

Things were looking pretty grim for Lefler, as she had left her keys in the vehicle. However, there was better news ahead.

Aguilar said that a citizen called the police station later that day to report an abandoned vehicle near Cypress Street, in an alley between 8th and 9th streets. The car was recovered and was released by police to Lefler.

Lefler said the only items in the car were her kids' backpacks, and they were still in the vehicle. As far as she could tell, nothing was taken from the car.

Donald R. Webb 1936-2015

Donald R. Webb Sr., 78, of Olden, passed away at 8:15 a.m., February 16, 2015, after a long battle with cancer. He was born June 1, 1936, in Eastland County to father James Raymond and mother Bertha L. Horn Webb.

Mr. Webb graduated from Eastland high school in 1954, attended Tarleton State University, and proudly served in the US Navy. He married Lola Williams Webb August 12, 1956, and graduated from San Angelo State University in 1972. A longtime resident of Colorado City, he returned to Olden in Eastland County. During his life, he was postmaster at Loraine and Rotan, and postmaster in charge at Big Lake. He retired from the postal service in the mid-1990s.

For Colorado City he served as a reserved police department officer, a volunteer firefighter and EMT, and he served a term on the city council. He also acted as a reserve sheriff deputy in Mitchell County, and a member of the Olden Water Board. He was a member of the Episcopal Church, and he was ordained as a Deacon on October 29, 1999 at All Saints Episcopal Church of Abilene. He was a member of the Eastland Lodge where he was a Master Mason and a 32nd degree Scottish Rite member.

Donald was preceded in death by father, James Raymond Webb; mother, Bertha L. Horn Webb; sister, Margaret (Sue) Lovelace of Eastland; brother, Jimmy T. Webb of Stephenville; and grandson, Eric Lee Webb of San Angelo.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Lola Williams Webb; and his three sons, Donald R. Webb Jr. and wife Kim of San Angelo, Micheal A. Webb and wife Sylvia of Olden, and John S. Webb and wife Mickie of Tyler; his brother, Ronald Rex Webb of Eastland; and his seven grandchildren, Laura Ann, Rebecca Leigh, Nicolas Francis, Gary Don, Sarah Jane, Melanie Dawn, and Spencer Ray; and his great-grandchildren, Anjelina, Joey, Jocelynn, Jacob, Michala, John, Eric, Isiah, and Michah.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, February 21st at 2 p.m. at Heavenly Rest Episcopal Church of Abilene under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home of Eastland, officiated by Bishop Scott Mayer.

The cremains will be interred in Eastland City Cemetery at a later date.

His family has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the American Cancer Institute.



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LOCAL NEWS



LEADERS OF THE REGION – Several community leaders and legislators gathered at the West Texas Energy Consortium meeting held in Midland recently to speak about everything from oil prices to the future of the economy in this area. Attending were: (l-r) Ken Becker, WTXEC Incoming Chair; Todd Staples, Texas Oil & Gas Association President; Congressman Mike Conaway, U.S. House of Representatives; Susan Spratlen, Pioneer Natural Resources VP of Permian Affairs; and Victor G. Carrillo, WTXEC Chair Emeritus. Photo courtesy of Alyssa Yingst.

Local realtor warns homeowners concerning unauthorized viewings

According to a local realtor, citizens listing their homes with area realtors should take a few precautions to keep themselves and their belongings safe. Realtor Becky Seibold said Monday that an older couple in a black BMW has been driving around visiting houses unannounced, using realtors' names as a way to get inside.

Sometime this weekend, the couple rang the doorbell of a home at Lake Colorado City that is listed with Seibold's agency. When the homeowner answered the door, the gentleman gave the name of one of the agents, saying that the realtor said it would be ok to stop by and view the inside of the house.

Seibold said that listing agents don't send people unannounced to look at houses. She also advises citizens not to let strangers into their homes just because they use

a realtor's name.

It is unknown, at this point, if the couple was actually trying to get a look at the house or if their motives were more sinister.

"Times are changing," Seibold said. "You can't just let people into your house anymore."

If area homeowners have been visited by prospective buyers unannounced, Seibold advises that the homeowners check around to see if anything was taken during the visit. Also, anyone being approached in that nature should contact the realty agent immediately.

Seibold said there has been a rash of burglaries of homes listed with realtors in the area of Lake Colorado City recently. Burglars see houses listed and figure that no one will be inside.

As for homeowners featuring their homes in an open house, Seibold said that all valuables

should be locked up before the open house begins. The potential for several people to be wandering around unsupervised is there, and things are sometimes taken without the owner's knowledge.

Realty agents should also be cautious when meeting potential clients or buyers. "You never know what can happen," Seibold said.

Citizens are often fooled by the appearance of wealth. "Just because someone is driving a BMW doesn't mean they are good," Seibold said Monday. "Don't be fooled."

Anyone interacting with someone asking to come inside their home, without forewarning from a realtor, should not let them inside and contact police immediately.

POLICE REPORT

On February 7th at 11:22 p.m., an officer was in the 100 block of E. I-20 attempting to locate a male subject in reference to an earlier call. The male was located, and after positive identification, the 30-year-old male and a 38-year-old female they were both found to have municipal court warrants. They were arrested and taken to the Mitchell County Jail where they were booked accordingly.

On February 8th at 9:06 a.m., an officer responded to the 700 block of E. 9th Street in reference to a stolen vehicle. Unknown persons had taken a vehicle without the owner's consent. The vehicle was later located in the 800 block of Cypress Street.

On February 8th at 12:25 a.m., while an officer was performing a business check he observed a female who he knew to possess a municipal court warrant enter the store. The officer requested a records check of the female through police dispatch. The officer was informed that she did hold an outstanding municipal court warrant for theft under \$50. The 23-year-old female was arrested and taken to Mitchell County Jail.

On February 9th at 5:20 p.m., an officer met with a complainant at the police department in

reference to criminal mischief. Unknown person or persons had damaged a door at a residence he owns in the 1800 block of Locust by breaking the glass panes.

On February 10th at 2:25 a.m., an officer responded to a local convenience store in reference to a male subject there with a criminal trespass warning for that location. The 38-year-old male was located on the premises, arrested and taken to the Mitchell County Jail where he was booked accordingly.

On February 10th at 9:42 a.m., an officer observed a male subject standing in a yard in the 700 block of Locust, whom he knew to possess outstanding municipal court and Mitchell County warrants. The warrants were confirmed through dispatch. The 35-year-old male was arrested and taken to the Mitchell County Jail where he was booked accordingly.

On February 10th at 2:56 a.m., an officer was dispatched to a local business in the 100 block of Walnut in reference to a broken window. Upon officer arrival, he observed the window on the entrance door to be broken. Unknown person or persons had entered the business and removed merchandise and money from inside without the owner's consent.

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Local citizens to be "jailed" for RFL

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Warrants have been issued for Murray Hall, Sterling Burleson, Kathy Cooper, Becky Benivamondez, David Bray, Penny Bray, Audra Graves, Starla Casates, Darin Johns, Dan Gainey, Brodie Harris, Jason Gruben, Rufino Martinez, Brandon Hale, Ricky Bailey, Margo Connell and Coach Hank.

These citizens will be cuffed and dragged away on March 20th to the Relay for Life Jail on the parking lot of Fuller Foods. They will be held in custody from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is no get out of jail free card!

Local citizen can help, however, by donating to raise each of their \$250 bond. All proceeds go to the Relay for Life of Mitchell County.

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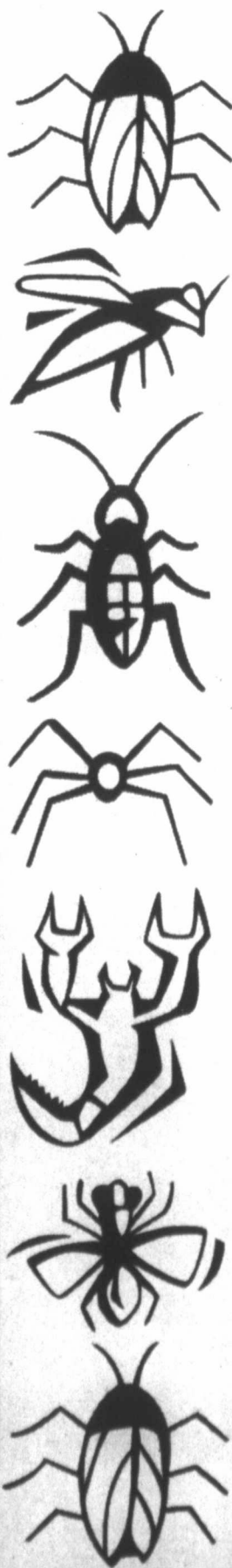
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OPINION & COMMENTARY

TUMBLEWEED SMITH The joys of banquette seating

At a restaurant I generally like a booth. It somehow seems more private. My second choice is a table, preferably one with lots of room around it. My least favorite place to sit in a restaurant is a banquette. It's a bench against a wall that has small tables in front of it, designed for two diners. The old fashioned "table for two" doesn't apply here. Banquette seating makes the diner feel exposed, intimidated and sort of trapped.

The first time my wife and I went to New York together, we experienced banquette seating. We found an Italian restaurant right around the corner from our hotel, and we were hungry. We were seated in a crowded area with people on either side of us. Very close to us. The tables in front of the bench had a space of about eight inches between them, just room enough to squeeze through.

As we looked at the menu, we kept hearing the couple next to us arguing. Their voices became louder and louder. Nobody except us seemed to pay them any attention. We ordered, ate the meal and all the while couldn't help but hear the couple blame each other for this or that. They waved their arms and expressed their feelings with gusto. They argued about the cat, the car, the house, the events of the day and even talked bad about some of their friends and business associates. We got an earful.

I don't even remember what the couple on the other side of us looked like, ate or talked about. But I certainly remember the loud couple sitting so close to us we could practically smell their garlic breath. We have, of course, had other banquette experiences but none as fascinating or memorable as that one.

The other day in Dallas, we had reservations at a nice restaurant that the internet's OPEN TABLE advertised it had a full, wonderful menu served all day long. We arrived shortly after noon and were seated at a banquette. We looked at the menu, and it had only a brunch menu. We asked the waiter for a lunch and dinner menu, and he said the restaurant didn't serve the full menu until 5 p.m. Don't ever trust the internet for information about a restaurant. Call the place direct. He apologized and immediately called OPEN TABLE and corrected the information. We had been planning this meal for sometime and were disappointed but decided to just go with the flow. We ordered and enjoyed the meal.

We also enjoyed the banquette. We got acquainted with the couple next to us. When we told the man we were from Big Spring he said his aunt used to have a florist shop there. We knew her. Then the couple one over from them started talking about West Texas. They have kinfolks in Midland and know some of the people we know. Then all of us started talking about football. It was a grand time.

I guess those two instances clearly show the difference between New York and Texas. In New York people sitting eight inches away don't even notice you. In Dallas they become your best new friends.

The wonders of teamwork

By Monte Wike

We could hardly wait for the first ball game to happen. We noticed the new sign, lights and parking. But what really caught my eye this time, was the team itself. Then I noticed there were several teams. Each team was identified by a uniform, t-shirt, costume, or gathering for a purpose. Even the fans were a team, jointly reacting to the school song, a touchdown or a chance to catch a football or t-shirt thrown to them. There was a small team of entry personnel at the gate, a team to sell refreshments, and of course, the "team" of kids up and down the stairs, in and out of the walkway, or huddled on their cell phones.

Cooperation and a unified effort have always intrigued me as have the opposites of bickering, selfishness and stubborn refusal. Teamwork, no matter the size of the team, if they have a common goal, can get so much more done than an individual. However, I will admit there are some jobs that can only be

done by one person, whether because of detail, creativity or type and size of job.

Teamwork also speaks of organization and leadership. There were leaders like coaches, band directors, flag corps instructors and those who made decisions on what to buy and sell. There were leaders or captains on the field, section leaders in the band. There were obvious leaders and followers among the roving bands of kids. Knowing how to be an effective leader bears direct connection to an effective team. Leadership is not dictatorship, but bend-man-ship. That means getting people to follow your suggestions (demands) by not breaking them into bits but getting them pliable to your expectations. When people want to cooperate and follow, it is so much better than an "or else".

Teamwork works in every situation. When the members of a group blend and bend, when they can roll and run, and when they can think and do, then nothing is impossible. There has to be

a goal or destination. There has to be a clear indication of direction and increment steps. Because you do not go from start to victory in one easy step. Even the football game is made up of downs, quarters, yards and strategy. (No, it would be no fun to have two balls and not have to fight over one!)

Some of the teams were specialized into offensive and defensive divisions. There were those on the line and others in the backfield. There were those who could receive and those who blocked others from getting to them.

There has to be an infinite balance between what a team can do and what the individual on the team must accomplish. "A chain is only as strong as its weakest link" must also reflect that a team is only as strong as its weakest player or idea. When each member does his part well, consistently and with the proper attitude, then the team is successful, no matter the final score.

We are already looking forward to the next game, the next team presentation!

Take heart: it's not too late to start

By Marshall Dawer M.D.

Medical Director
UnitedHealthcare of North Texas

Remember your 2015 New Year's resolution to get healthy? Maybe it included losing 20 pounds by summer, running seven days a week or eating at least six servings of fruits and vegetables each day.

But now, with New Year's Day behind us and another chilly day ahead, perhaps your enthusiasm has started to wane. It's already February and you have yet to start on your 2015 resolutions.

Take heart: It's not too late to start!

February is American Heart Month, a reminder that heart disease is the No. 1 cause of death in America, according to a report from the American Heart Association. American Heart Month is an opportunity to focus on your heart health and start your healthy turnaround. It's also a good time to right-size your plan and stick to it. Here are five tips for your "take heart" start:

1) **Know your numbers.** Getting healthy is about more than just reducing your waist size. It's about reducing your biometric numbers — such as your cholesterol, Body Mass Index (BMI), blood pressure and blood sugar — all of which are key indicators for one's risk of developing heart disease, diabetes and other major illnesses. Visit your doctor, get your biometric numbers and then work to improve them.

2) **Moderate your meals.** We have all heard that vegetables and fruits are crucial to a healthy diet. The goal each day is to limit your intake of foods high in sugar, fat and cholesterol, and eat 3-5 servings of vegetables and 2-4 servings of fruits, as well as 2-3 servings of lean meats and 1-2 servings of dairy products. But that doesn't mean you have to take an all-or-nothing approach. Start by reducing your portion size,

es, and think of creative ways to add vegetables and fruit to your meals. Visit <http://www.uhc.com/health-and-wellness/healthy-recipes> for some delicious recipe ideas.

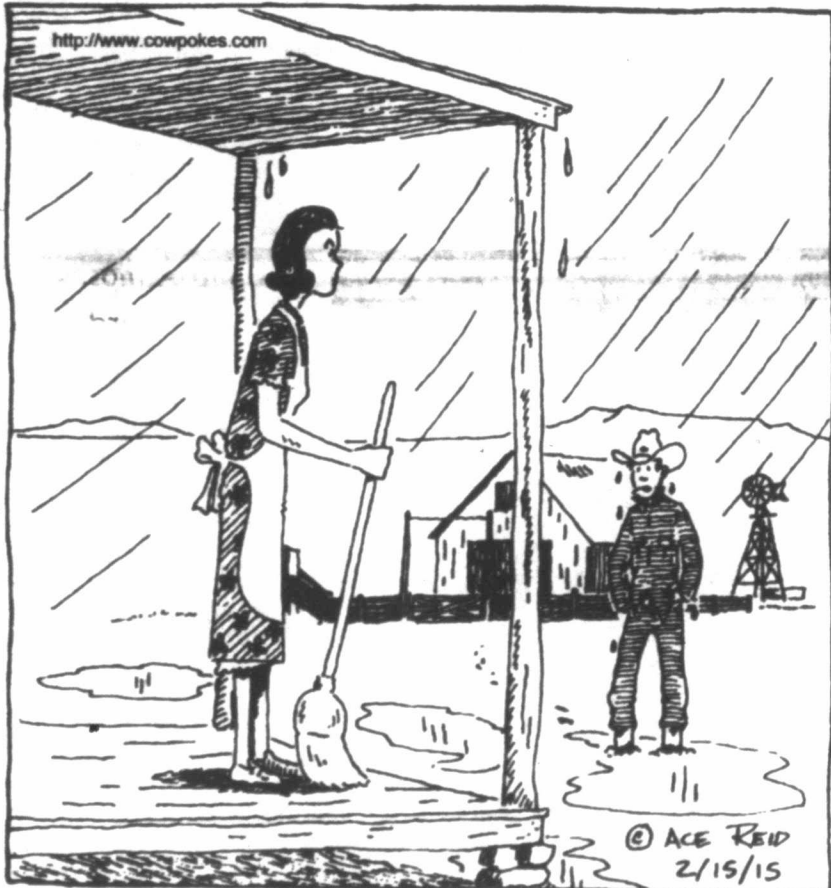
3) **Get active.** Did you know our state ranks near the bottom when it comes to physical activity? More than 27 percent of Texans admitted they had not exercised in over a month, according to the 2014 America's Health Rankings® report (<http://www.americashealthrankings.org/TX>). Help change that trend by increasing activity and exercise more. The goal is to get at least one hour of physical activity each day from aerobic activities like walking, jogging, biking or swimming. You can even increase your activity in small ways, such as taking the stairs at work, parking farther away from the store, pacing while you're on the phone, or walking around the block after dinner. Five to 10 minutes here and there can add up and noticeably boost your activity levels.

4) **Make hydration a habit.** Up to 60 percent of the adult body is water; your body needs water not only to survive, but to thrive. Make hydration a habit by keeping a tall glass or reusable bottle filled with cool water at your desk or in your car. And start each meal with a full glass of water. Water can make you feel full and help you eat less. The Institute of Medicine recommends that women drink at least 91 ounces and men drink 125 ounces of water each day, including water that comes through food and other beverages.

5) **Record your results.** Write down realistic, measurable goals for diet, exercise and weight loss and record your results. Writing it all down will help you track your progress and help you stay focused. It also demonstrates how making small changes every day can add up to real results over time. Be patient, stay committed and watch as you fulfill your 2015 New Year's resolution.

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By Ace Reid



"Maw, one time you told me you worshiped the ground I walked on!"

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor,

As an eight- to 10-year-old lad on our family farm northeast of Buford, our horses and mules worked as we did — hard from dawn to dusk. In the summer, this was a long day.

Dunn school teacher, Claude Hooks, owned the farm south of ours. We had a very friendly relationship. Mr. Hooks had a mule whom was not worked quite so hard so old Blue, Dan, Jim, Friday, et al.

When night and morning feeding time came, a fat mule of his would jump the fences, fight our poor drafters and eat away. One morning when I harnessed a team of four, she became an inside member. That evening, when the days' work was ended by darkness, that mule didn't stay for dinner. She ran and jumped three fences to the Hooks' lot. She never returned to the Powell farm.

Mules and horses have character which can be correlated to humans.

Animal nature teaches a young lad when you spend so much time with them (each day is an eternity to a boy) in mutual toil. Needless to say, you quickly, correctly categorize people as to expectation of their behavior. The "liberals" of the world, think "jobs", welfare and taxing is the way to "fairness" and "equality". They don't understand that jobs are not what many "poor" folks seek.

Troy Powell

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Summit Mortgage Corp, Executive Mortgage DBA, Mortgage Electronic Registration MERS Nominee, Alexandra Barczewski Asst Sect, Ryan Rayborn, Cindy Rayborn to Citimortgage Inc, Assignment of Deed.

Mary Thackerson Affiant to James Everett Uphaw Deceased, Public, Affidavit of Heirship.

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biaz, Gift Deed.

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LOCAL NEWS



MCHD HAS HEART—Mitchell County Hospital employees wore red on February 6th in support of the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women campaign designed to bring awareness to heart disease among women. Pictured are: (from front point) Minerva Macedo, Allen Pangatungan, Rhonda Roark, Brooke Wilson, Joni Haren, Diana Denton, Maria Bueno, Perla Gonzalez, Cliff Shiller, Angie Maberry, Janie Melendez, Audra Hoback, Athena Koch, Jean Dagondon, Abigail Pupos, Barbara Clements, Terry Smith, Ricky Sustaita, Karen Holman, Brenda Cline, Iris Boyd, April Bandong, Kathy Green, Esther Epinoza, Chanda Holsey, Kim Myers, Teri Moses, Marsha Drummond, Jennifer Hale, Lesli Tomlin, Joe Wright, Deana Overton. Photo courtesy of Audra Hoback.

FACILITY

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work. She said that though she and the staff were organized, she was unsure just how long the move would take. Rickard said that it took approximately seven hours to move Valley Fair residents into their new home.

In an effort to be fully prepared for whatever might happen, the kitchen staff at Valley Fair Lodge prepared a full lunch but only had to serve seven residents as the others had already been moved.

Rickard said that staff and family members moved residents, while it took 17 TDCJ offenders and three guards with four trailers to move furniture. She and Assistant Administrator Gary White were checking things off the list as they were brought in the building.

In honor of the "new" facility, the building has been undergoing a transformation of sorts. New paint and décor are brightening up the facility, and Rickard's daughter, Machel Strain, has been in charge of the new, updated decoration.

The facelift of the place has created quite a stir, according to Rickard. Some of the residents share Strain's taste in furnishings and have even asked her to redecorate their rooms.

In order to reduce anxieties for some of the residents, Rickard and White had set up an alternate dining hall so that former Valley Fair residents could still

eat together. It quickly became apparent that residents weren't experiencing as many problems in adjusting as anticipated. Rickard said that all residents have enjoyed dining together in the main dining room since moving into the home.

"They just really enjoy being together," she said.

Some of the renovation work is still progressing. New flooring is being installed in the dining room, and new signs are being made for the hallways. A new light fixture is going in over the nurses' desk, and sheers for the windows above have been ordered.

Rickard and White have been pleasantly surprised by the ease of adjustment experienced by patients, staff and family members.

"The staff and residents both get happier as the days go on," White said Monday.

What's next for the building formerly known as Valley Fair

Lodge? Rickard said that plans are in the works to hold a clearance sale at the place. Because not all of the furniture was needed at the new center, there will be chairs, tables, chests and other furniture to be sold.

Anyone with fond memories of the Christmas décor once featured at Kristi Lee Manor will want to be sure to attend the sale. Some of holiday items will be sold. Watch the Record for more information on the sale.

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Adults' tickets cost \$7 each, and children's tickets are \$4 each. Tickets may be purchased from any Kiwanis Club member or at the door.

So, if you are a lover of fine pancakes, make plans to attend the 41st Annual Kiwanis Pancake Supper.

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ample space for students to take part in athletics classes and P.E. There will be one for elementary students and another for junior high. The junior high gym will also house locker rooms and showers for students and staff.

A central kitchen will support two cafeterias, one for the younger kids and one for the older ones. A water softener will be installed as part of the construction, and cafeteria staff will enjoy brand new kitchen equipment.

Sherpinskas said that the installation of air conditioning units began this week, and installation of the new 4" gas line has progressed all the way onto the site.

A multi-purpose building is being constructed on the east side of the site, with access from 10th Street and Lone Wolf Blvd. The large structure will house a competition gym, a weight room, art room and band hall.

Utilities are being built into the foyer to provide for concession stands, and guests will be able to see games going on in the gym from eight large windows in the foyer.

Sherpinskas said citizens should have no fear of getting too

hot when attending games, as 120 tons of air conditioning will be installed in the multi-purpose building.

Thanks to the voters of the Colorado City school district, students will enjoy the best of what there is to offer.

ELECTION

FROM PAGE 1

City Secretary Jamie Muñoz, the council has called for an election, but no one has filed to run. It is of the utmost importance that Loraine be able to fill a council, because there has not been a full city council in several months.

The city board has been struggling due to a lack of a quorum at city council meetings. Anyone interested in serving on the council, can stop by city hall in Loraine to file an application to run.

Sheila Plagens and Henry Rey-

na, both incumbents, have filed for re-election to the Colorado ISD Board of Trustees. Their seats, Place 4 and Place 6, are the only positions up for election.

Two at large seats on the Loraine ISD Board of Trustees are up for election, and those serving have filed to run for the places again. According to LISD Superintendent Travis Edwards, Ricky Bailey and Ron Gibson have filed to run.

City and school elections are set to be held on Saturday, May 9th.

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FREE TAX HELP — Volunteers like Doug Taylor (right) helped citizens such as Tim and Laura Mitchell file their 2014 income taxes at the Mitchell County Public Library on Tuesday, February 17th. The volunteers will return to help citizens again on March 17th.

Friends of the Library hear presentation by MACC

The Friends of the Library met Monday, February 9th in the Hesperian Room of the Mitchell County Public Library. Present were: President Sue Mason, Vice President Susan Farr, Treasurer Nelda Hill, Historian Nuwanna McGaha, Hospitality Chair Charlene Reily, Monte and Noma Wike, Charles Goodlett and guests, Doris Sands and Terri Robben.

Farr presided for Mason who took notes.

Special guests Sands and Robben presented a program about MACC (Mentoring at C-City). The two have started a program that uses volunteers to help with students at both Kelley and Hutchinson with their reading

skills.

An effort is made to spend three to four minutes with each child each time MACC volunteers visit. Volunteering days are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. At Kelley Elementary, volunteers work with kindergartners from 1 to 1:30 p.m., 1st graders from 9 to 10:30 a.m., and 2nd graders from 9 to 10 a.m.

Hutchinson volunteers work 8:15-8:45 a.m., 12-12:30 p.m. and 2:30-3:15 p.m.

The group's founders said that volunteers are needed. There is a sign-up sheet at the library and either school could answer questions or enroll volunteers.

Minutes and treasurer's report were approved.

The purchase of a new easel was approved for Head Librarian Brigada Hiser, as part of the ongoing equipment update from the Friends of the Library.

Plans have been made to co-ordinate the Fall Book Sale with some other event sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce so there will be a larger crowd downtown.

Will Inman, son of Wendy and Janice Iman, has written a new book. The library will host a book signing for him on Monday, March 16 from 4 to 6 p.m. Cookies and drinks will be served by Friends members.

The next meeting of Friends of the Library will be held March 9th. New members are welcome.

Farm bill deadlines getting close

U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Judith A. Canales reminds producers of upcoming important deadlines for the new safety-net programs established by the 2014 Farm Bill, known as Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC). The final day to update yield history or reallocate base acres is Feb. 27, 2015, and the final day for farm owners and producers to choose coverage is March 31, 2015.

"These programs provide financial protection against unexpected changes in the marketplace, so now is the time to have those final conversations, to ask any remaining questions, and to visit the Farm Service Agency to make these decisions," said Canales.

"For the first time in many years, farmers have the opportunity to update yields or reallocate base acres, but if no changes are made by February 27, the farm's current yield and

base will be used," said Canales. "If no program election occurs by March 31, then there will be no 2014 payments for the farm and the farm will default to PLC coverage through the 2018 crop year."

Nationwide, more than 3,500 training sessions have been conducted on the new safety-net programs, including nearly 200 in Texas. The online tools, available at www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc, allow producers to explore projections on how ARC or PLC coverage will affect their operation under possible future scenarios.

Covered commodities include barley, canola, large and

small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, long grain rice, medium grain rice (which includes short grain rice), safflower seed, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat. Upland cotton is no longer a covered commodity.

To learn more, farmers can contact their local Farm Service Agency county office. To find your local office visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

The Farm Bill builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past six years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in

savings for the taxpayer. Since enactment, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has made significant progress to implement each provision of this critical legislation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; strengthening risk management tools; expanding access to rural credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit www.usda.gov/farmbill.

Events Calendar

Feb. 27	Kiwanis Pancake Supper	CMS Cafeteria
Feb. 27	Filing deadline for City, School Election	City Hall, School Dists.
Feb. 28	Bingo Night	LISD Cafetorium
Mar. 2	Howl Nite	CHS Auditorium
Mar. 4	LWGCD Public Meeting	Water Dist. Office
Mar. 5	Texas Fest	Railhead Bldg.
Mar. 6	Chamber of Commerce Banquet	Civic Center

To add an event to the calendar, please call 325-728-3413.

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AMS DEPLOYMENT, AMS SURCHARGE, AND NON-STANDARD METERING SERVICE FEES FILED WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

On January 23, 2015, Sharyland Utilities, L.P. (Sharyland), a regulated electric transmission and distribution company, filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC or Commission) a Request for Approval of an Advanced Metering System (AMS) Deployment, AMS Surcharge, and Non-Standard Metering Service Fees. The docket number and style of this application are Docket No. 44361, Sharyland Utilities, L.P.'s Request for Approval of an Advanced Metering System (AMS) Deployment, AMS Surcharge, and Non-Standard Metering Service Fees.

Sharyland is seeking approval from the Commission for its AMS deployment plan pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.130 and the Commission's order in Application of Sharyland Utilities, L.P. to Establish Retail Delivery Rates, Approve Tariff for Retail Delivery Service, and Adjust Wholesale Transmission Rate, Docket No. 41474 (Jan. 23, 2014). Sharyland is also seeking approval of non-standard metering fees pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.133. Sharyland also requests approval of the AMS surcharges for recovery of the reasonable and necessary costs which Sharyland will incur under its deployment plan pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.130(k).

If approved, Sharyland's AMS surcharges will go into effect on July 1, 2015. The AMS surcharges will apply to electric service to residential customers and non-residential customers, other than those who have interval data recorder (IDR) meters or take unmetered service. The AMS surcharges will be billed to the retail electric providers (REPs) providing retail electric service to such customers in Sharyland's service areas. The costs recovered through the AMS surcharges will be reviewed by the Commission in a reconciliation proceeding to be held in the future on a schedule to be determined by the Commission. Sharyland has proposed the following AMS surcharges:

Residential	\$3.17
Secondary Small	\$3.25
Secondary Large	\$4.60
Primary	\$3.52

Furthermore, P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.133 allows a customer to choose to receive electric service through a non-standard (non-advanced) meter and authorizes Sharyland to assess fees to recover the costs associated with providing the non-standard metering service from a customer who elects to have a non-standard meter. The following fees will only affect those customers that refuse installation of an advanced meter or any other retail customer who requests non-standard metering service:

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Digital, non-communicating meter:	\$190.12
Recurring monthly fee	
During amortization period:	\$39.91 per month
After amortization period:	\$23.24 per month

If you have questions about PUC Docket No. 44361, please contact Bridget Headrick at Sharyland at (512) 721-2668. A copy of the application is kept at Sharyland's office at 1807 Ross Avenue, Suite 460, Dallas, Texas 75201 and at the office of Sharyland's legal representative, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, at 600 Congress Ave., Suite 2000, Austin, Texas 78701, (512) 721-2700 (Telephone), (512) 721-2656 (Facsimile).

Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon the action sought, should mail their requests to intervene or their comments (along with 10 copies of your letter) to: Public Utility Commission of Texas, Central Records, Attn: Filing Clerk, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. The deadline for intervention in this proceeding is March 9, 2015, and the Commission should receive a letter requesting intervention no later than that date. Further information may also be obtained by contacting the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

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Letter to the Editor:

This letter to the editor is to set the record straight pertaining to a complete lie that was published in the Colorado City Record Police Report recently. The police report states that I, Craig White, was warned about loud yelling and cursing and that when I did not stop, I was arrested for disorderly conduct so as to spare neighbors.

This is a false, fabricated police report; a lie, a crime by Officer Barrows. The truth is that I called Colorado City PD and Officer Barrows came to my house. My complaint to him was that I thought I had been drugged and wanted to go to the hospital to have my blood taken. I requested an investigation. Officer Barrows should have simply gotten me to the hospital to have me checked out but refused.

When two C City PD officers thought they had been drugged approximately two years ago, they shut a local business down, fully investigated and immediately took the officers to the hospital to be checked out by medical staff.

Officer Barrows did not follow proper policy and procedure and simply refused me any help. I was upset and was cussing, but I was not yelling, the very premise for arresting me. Mr. Barrows warned me that if I said one more cuss word that I would be arrested for disorderly conduct.

At this time I asked Mr. Barrows, again, without yelling or cussing, to investigate. He refused again, stating that "It's not my responsibility". Realizing that Officer Barrows was not going to afford me similar treatment that C.City PD officers received in a similar, like situation, and that he was simply denying me equal protection under the law, I told him to leave my property.

We were in my enclosed fenced yard. I opened the gate and he exited. At this time, our faces were 1 foot apart with a four foot gate separating us. He stopped there and started staring at me with wild, unnaturally dilated eyes for what seemed like a long time but must've been around 10 seconds.

I told him to get off my property. He continued staring provocatively then stated "You get in your house". I told him to leave again.

Officer Barrows pulled his tazer and pointed it at my face from 8-10 inches away and ordered "You get in your house". I told him that I wasn't going in my "G.D." house. I was not yelling. At this time he stated "That's it. That's another cuss word, you're under arrest for disorderly conduct."

To threaten bodily harm is assault, a Class A misdemeanor, and he most definitely pulled his tazer, pointed it at my face with no legitimate cause to do so then falsely arrested me for disorderly conduct. When under the duress of his assaultive crime against me, I said "G.D."

I am no attorney, but I'm sure that simple assault is not the only crime that Officer Barrows committed this night. I am publically demanding that Louis Aguilar, C.City Police Chief, request the Texas Rangers to investigate this incident. I am also publically requesting the City of Colorado City to institute a random hair follicle drug testing program for the Colorado City Police Department. I am also requesting that the city get mandatory body cameras for C.City PD.

In the very least, I am requesting that Officer Barrows be fired from the C.City PD, as he does not possess the basic characteristic of honesty. His erratic behavior and lack of professionalism in his capacity as a police officer is a danger to the community.

Sincerely,

Craig White

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More than 100 people sent rural Midwesterners to the Texas Midway on Feb. 3rd. "Texas Midway" Particular City was Midway Director Sue Texas Midway Network (TMCN) its 11th biennial State Capital legislative Session the day in Jon Schnaut Counsel/Senator and Brady get and Po Speaker Joe Drew DeBor for Governor The delegation photo session House of Representatives TMCN and attended tion at the sored joint Brownwood merce and th of Commerce "Texas Mi Capitol prov for commun region to me tact with t their staff v Austin," say Virden (Ball ence provide the issues ar our rural v communities and transport Texas Mi Network is a gional organ counties wh of all the cou a population million peop largest city in

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LOCAL NEWS

Young represents county at Midwest Day

More than 100 people representing rural cities in the Texas Midwest region were in Austin on Feb. 3rd and participated in "Texas Midwest Day at the Capitol". Participating from Colorado City was Mitchell County Economic Development Executive Director Sue Young.

Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN) sponsored its 11th biennial visit to the State Capitol during the Legislative Session. Highlights of the day included briefings by Jon Schnautz, Deputy General Counsel/Senior Policy Adviser and Brady Frank, Senior Budget and Policy Advisor with Speaker Joe Straus' Office and Drew DeBerry, Policy Director for Governor Greg Abbott. The delegation participated in a photo session on the floor of the House of Representatives, visited TMCN's lawmaker offices, and attended an evening reception at the Austin Club sponsored jointly by TMCN, the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce and the Abilene Chamber of Commerce.

"Texas Midwest Day at the Capitol provides an opportunity for community leaders from our region to meet face-to-face contact with the lawmakers and their staff who represent us in Austin," says TMCN President Virden (Ballinger). "Our presence provides a unified voice of the issues and challenges facing our rural West Central Texas communities - specifically water and transportation."

Texas Midwest Community Network is a 51 community regional organization covering 31 counties which represents 12% of all the counties in the state and a population of more than a half million people, equal to the 7th largest city in the state.

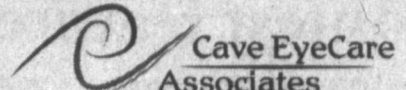


TEXAS MIDWEST DAY - Sue Young represented the Mitchell County Economic Development Board at the Texas Midwest Day held at the Texas Capitol in Austin on Tuesday, February 3rd. The conference was held by the Texas Midwest Community Network, which is a 51-community regional organization. Photo courtesy of Rep. Susan King and Sen. Charles Perry.

State Senators for TMCN include Troy Fraser-Dist. 24, Charles Perry-Dist. 28 and Craig Estes-Dist. 30. State Representatives include Andrew Murr-Dist. 53, J.D. Sheffield-Dist. 59, Jim Keffer-Dist. 60, Drew Springer-Dist. 68, James Frank-Dist. 69, Susan King-Dist. 71, Drew Darby-Dist. 72, and Dustin Burrows-Dist. 83.

TMCN 51 member cities are: Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Brady, Breckenridge, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Eden, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Graham, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell, Hico, Jacksboro, Knox City, Menard, Merkel, Miles, Munday, Ranger, Rising Star, Robert Lee, Roscoe, Rotan, San Angelo, San Saba, Santa Anna, Seymour, Snyder, Stamford, Strawn, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye, and Winters.

For more information about Texas Midwest Community Network visit the web site at www.TexasMidwest.org.

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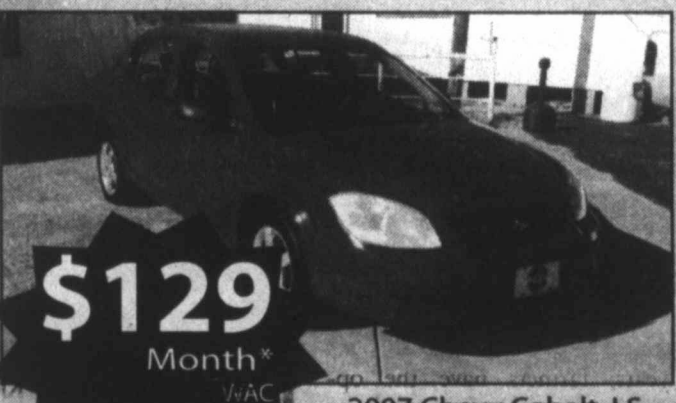
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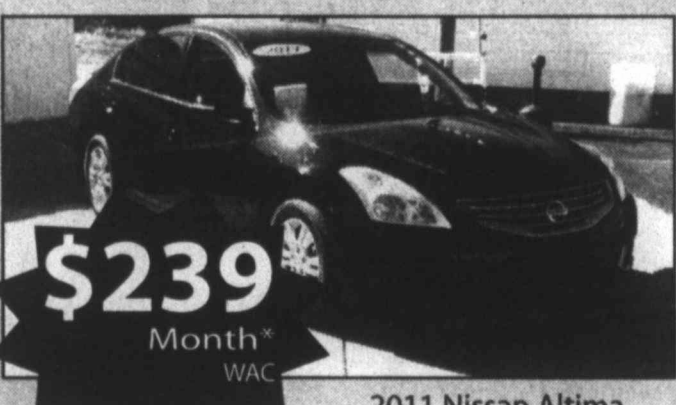


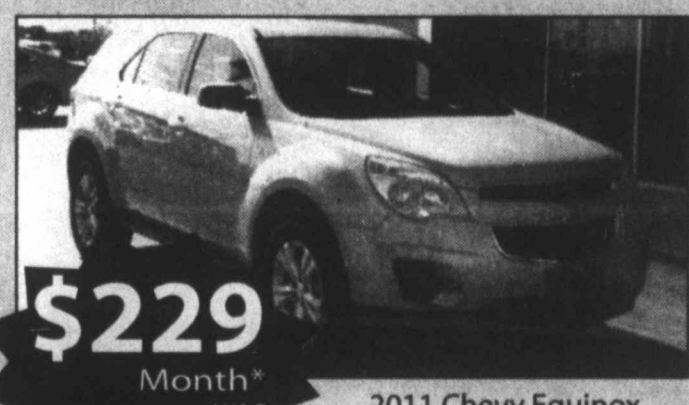
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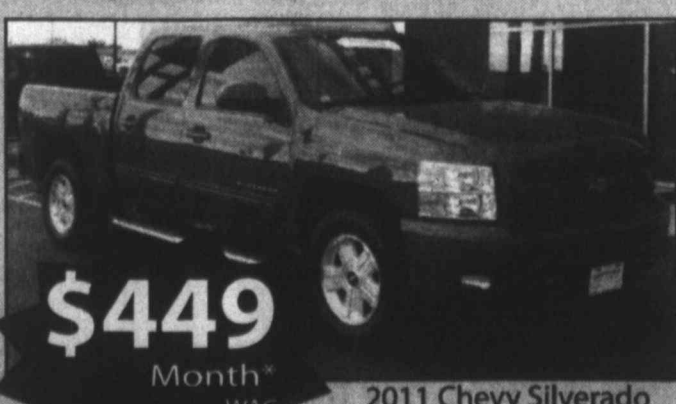
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SCHOOL NEWS

Art contest features clean air, water

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and Samsung Austin Semiconductor invite K-5th grade students in Texas to submit artwork showing how they help keep the air and water clean, conserve water and energy, and reduce waste.

Fifteen students and one

teacher will each win a Samsung tablet, and one grand prize winner will receive a Samsung laptop. The winning pieces will be showcased on the Take Care of Texas and TCEQ websites, newsletters, and social media.

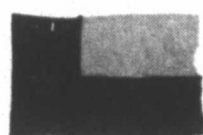
Entries must be two-dimen-

sional, but can be created with any media, including crayons, watercolor, markers, paints, and color pencils. Winners will be announced April 3, 2015.

Visit the Take Care of Texas website for more information and to download an entry form.

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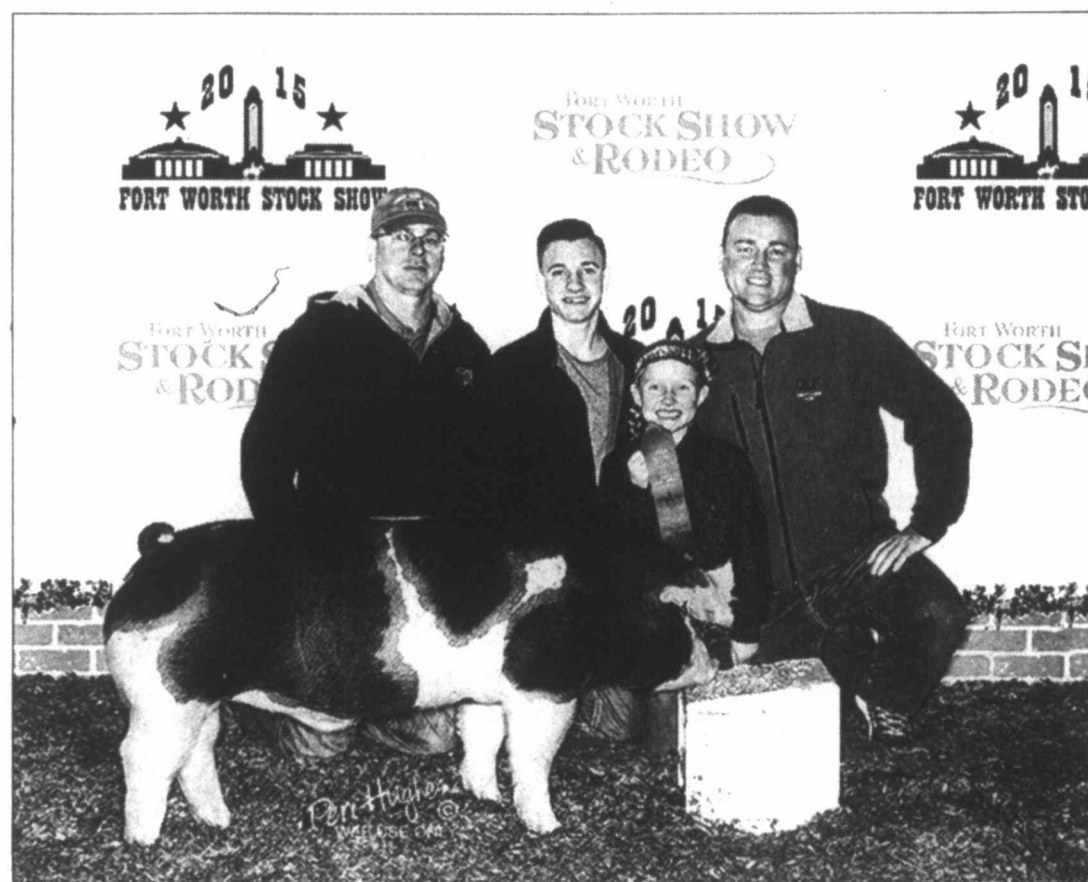
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BREED CHAMPION – Braylee Stone (with ribbons) showed the Breed Champion Yorkshire at the Fort Worth Stock Show recently. Out of 1,250 pigs, only 12 make the premium sale. Braylee's pig made the sale and brought \$8,500. Shown with Braylee are (l-r) Reggy Spencer, Amanda Stone, Brooklea Stone, Bryne Stone, Jayme Sieren of Iowa, Brenlye Strain, David Bray and Coty Strain. Photo courtesy of Reggy Spencer.



2ND PLACE – Brenlye Strain (with ribbons) placed 2nd in the Lightweight Black OPB division at the Fort Worth Stock Show recently. Shown with Brenlye are: (l-r) Reggy Spencer, Calvin Spencer and Coty Strain. Photo courtesy of Reggy Spencer.



2ND PLACE – Calvin Spencer (center) exhibited the 2nd place Lightweight White OPB at the Fort Worth Stock Show recently. Shown with Calvin are Robby Russell and Reggy Spencer. Photo courtesy of Reggy Spencer.

WANTED

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of the following citizens to help fight cancer.

Murray Hall	Sterling Burleson	Kathy Cooper
David Bray	Penny Bray	Audra Graves
Starla Casares	Darin Johns	Dan Gainey
Brodie Harris	Jason Gruben	Rufino Martinez
Brandon Hale	Ricky Bailey	Margo Connell
Kyle Hauk	Becky Benivamondez	

These citizens will be cuffed and dragged away on March 20, 2015 and will be in "Relay for Life Jail" on the Fuller Foods parking lot from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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SCHOOL NEWS



KELLEY HAS CLASS... Students in Mrs. Twilligear's kindergarten class have been learning about President's Day. Students in the class are: Carsyn-Kaye Jurgens, Zachary Arispe, Andrea Gutierrez, Lyrik Phillips, Mylia Houston, Piper Hursh, Evan Vanderslice, Colson Rodriguez, Noah Garcia, Brandon Lee, Lupe Sustaita, Jose Colin, Jadon Reyna, Serenity Ruth, Helen Marshall, Caroline Morris, Marcus Saldivar, Samuel Cansler, and Britt Santana. Photo courtesy of Connie Twilligear.

SCHOOL MENUS

**Colorado ISD
Kelley Breakfast Menu
Feb. 23rd - 27th**

Monday - Apple strudel, cheese stick or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Mini pancake, yogurt or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Sausage roll, cheese stick or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - Breakfast burrito or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - French toast or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

**Colorado ISD
Hutchinson, CMS, CHS & Wallace Breakfast Menu
Feb. 23rd - 27th**

Monday - Apple strudel, cheese stick or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Biscuit, scrambled eggs or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Cinnamon roll, bacon or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - Pancake wrap, yogurt or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - Breakfast burrito or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

**Colorado ISD
Lunch Menu
Feb. 23rd - 27th**

Monday - Cheeseburger, oven fries, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Baked potato w/ham and cheese, hot roll, garden salad,

corn, snowball salad, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Pizza, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, apple pineapple d'lite, choice of milk.

Friday - BBQ on a bun, coleslaw, pinto beans, baby carrots w/ranch, orange smiles, choice of milk.

**Loraine ISD
Breakfast Menu
Feb. 23rd - 27th**

Monday - Pancakes, bacon, cereal, toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - Cheese toast, fruit, animal crackers, cheese stick, milk, fruit juice.

Wednesday - Biscuit and gravy, fruit, breakfast parfait, milk, fruit juice.

Thursday - Oatmeal, cinnamon toast, fruit, cereal, toast, milk, fruit juice.

Friday - Breakfast burrito, fruit, oatmeal round, yogurt, milk, fruit juice.

**Loraine ISD
Lunch Menu
Feb. 23rd - 27th**

Monday - Pizza stick, baked beans, broccoli salad, apple-pineapple d'lite, milk.

Tuesday - Grilled cheese sandwich, garden salad, baby carrots, refried beans, lime sherbet.

Wednesday - Chicken sandwich, veggie cup, Mexicali corn, fruity gelatin, milk.

Thursday - Meaty pasta bake, garden salad, mashed potatoes, fresh grapes, breadstick, chocolate chip cookie, milk.

Friday - Pizza choice, tomato, cucumber cup, baby carrots, mandarin

oranges, milk.

**Westbrook ISD
Breakfast Menu Feb. 23rd - 27th**

Monday - Pancakes, bacon or cereal, toast or oatmeal round, yogurt or cinnamon breakfast pastry, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - Sunrise sandwich or cheesy toast or cereal, Texas toast or animal crackers, cheese stick, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday - Biscuits, gravy, scrambled eggs or cereal, toast or breakfast parfait or cinnamon breakfast pastry, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Thursday - Oatmeal, cinnamon toast or cereal, toast or animal crackers, cheese stick, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Friday - Breakfast burrito or cereal, toast or oatmeal round, yogurt, cinnamon breakfast pastry, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

**Westbrook ISD
Lunch Menu
Feb. 23rd - 27th**

Monday - Corn dog or pizza sticks w/spaghetti sauce, baked beans, crunchy broccoli salad, apple-pineapple d'lite, milk.

Tuesday - Beefy queso nachos or grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, baby carrots, garden salad, lime sherbet cup, milk.

Wednesday - Chicken sandwich, oven fries or beef and bean burrito, salsa, Mexicali corn, fresh veggie cup, fruity gelatin, milk.

Thursday - Meaty pasta bake or chicken nuggets, gravy, garden salad, mashed potatoes, fresh grapes, breadstick, chocolate chip cookie, milk.

Friday - Pizza choice, tomato and cucumber cup, baby carrots w/ranch, mandarin oranges, milk.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK - Austin Long, Terrilyn Young and Anthony Ronquillo are this week's students of the week at Hutchinson Elementary. Photo courtesy of Christy Myers.

Hutchinson names students of the week

Three students have been chosen as Students of the Week at Hutchinson Elementary. They are Austin Long, Terrilyn Young and Anthony Ronquillo.

Austin is a third grader in Mrs. Wilkinson's class. His favorite subject is math. His hobby is playing baseball. His favorite thing about Hutch is the Math Super Bowl.

Terrilyn is a fourth grader in Mrs. Johns' class. Her favorite subject is math. Her hobby is playing kickball. Her favorite thing about Hutch is learning.

Anthony is a fifth grader in Mrs. Quinn's class. His favorite subject is reading. His hobby is playing video games. His favorite thing about Hutch is the AR trips.

Texas Fest set March 5th at Railhead

Plans for Texas Fest 2015 are in the making! The event is set for Thursday, March 5th, and everyone is encouraged to come out and help raise money for Hutchinson Elementary School. Texas Fest will be held in the Railhead Building in Colorado

City, and the fun kicks off with a music program at 5 p.m. that day. Those attending will be able to take part in the fun and games at many booths around the building.

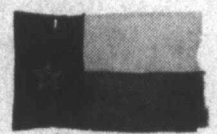
The night's entertainment will continue until 8 p.m., and there

will be games, lots of delicious food, bingo, and more. Tickets are on sale now at Kelley and Hutchinson Elementary Schools.

Pre-sale tickets are 12 for \$5, and at the door they will be 10 for \$5. Make plans now to attend and buy your tickets in advance.

Congratulations to CHS Players of the Week

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SPORTS

8th grade Wolves are District Champs!

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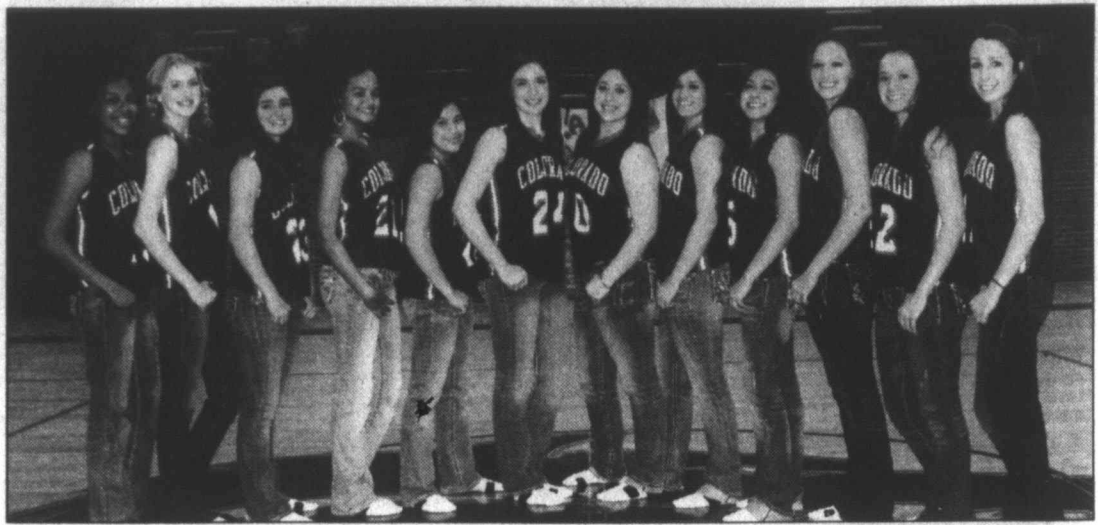
Jacob Munoz led the Wolves' attack, scoring 11 points while Reid Harris and Markis Monroe each had 8 points. Also scoring were Bubba Williams with 7 and Tracy Smith and Omar Boone with 4 points apiece.

Coach Clint White said, "This was our last game of the year, and we really wanted to end on a high

note. We shot the ball really well in the first half, we hit five 3-pointers and we were able to build a lead."

"We did a good job in the second half of slowing things down and running through our offense," he continued.

"We showed some poise in the last two quarters, which is something I'm really proud of. It would have been easy for us to come out and play uninspired since we had already clinched the district championship, but we came out with a high level of intensity and were able to finish the year the right way. It was a great season, and I'm very proud of these guys!"



2015 LADY WOLVES – The Lady Wolves' basketball season came to an end Monday night in San Angelo. The young and talented Lady Wolves were 13-12 this year and represented the district as the number three seed in the play-offs. Members of the team are (l-r): Jalessa Williams, Kaitlyn Kimball, Sara Roach, Kaci Phariss, Alexa Garza, Taylor Epperson, Emily Rivera, Cassie Sutton, Alexis Muñoz, Mikaela Madrid, Marissa Parras, and Baylie Lindsey.

Lady Wolves' season ends

The Lady Wolves' season came to an end Monday night in San Angelo as Jim Ned came from behind in the fourth quarter to ease out a 50-44 playoff victory.

Leading at the end of the half and also at the end of the third quarter, the Lady Wolves had a stretch late in the fourth quarter where a few bad turnovers let the #5 ranked team in the state take the lead.

"The girls played extremely hard in a great atmosphere at the Junell Center on the campus of Angelo State University," head coach Barry Kimball said.

On the season, coach Kimball reflected on a very successful year with a lot of young players. "This season was one of the most gratifying seasons I have had. With 6 freshman, it was a season of question. How well they could mesh as a team and how quickly. My expectations for the year were to hopefully make the playoffs and continue that trend from last year's playoff appearance- the

first time in a few years," Coach Kimball said.

"The team played good at times before Christmas and at the Anson Christmas Tournament. However, we started 0-2 in district but got a huge win over rival Coahoma that started us playing the best basketball of the year," he said.

"We started peaking at the right time towards the end of district play and had 2 huge wins over Stanton and Coahoma on their home courts. We finished 5-3 in district and tied Stanton for district runner-up. I am so proud of this team and am really looking forward to the next several years. Our senior leadership helped us become the team we need to be to have the success we did. We have 9 returning players back and 4 starters. We hope to continue our success next year," Kimball continued.

The Lady Wolves ended the season with a 14-13 record. Scoring: Kaitlyn Kimball- 15

Baylie Lindsey- 10
Cassie Sutton- 7
Sassy Munoz- 6
Taylor Epperson- 4
Alexa Garza- 2
Jalessa Williams- 1

Loraine to host play-off games

Loraine ISD will host two TCAL State Semi-Final basketball play-off games. The teams are set to face off on Saturday, February 21st in the Loraine High School Gym.

The girls' teams will play first at 1 p.m. and the boys' teams will follow at 2:30 p.m.

The girls' game will be between Stephenville Faith Christian Boys and Portales Faith Triumphant. The Stephenville boys' team will face either Odesa Sherwood Christian or Odesa Embassy Academy. Games on Friday night will determine the team in the contest.

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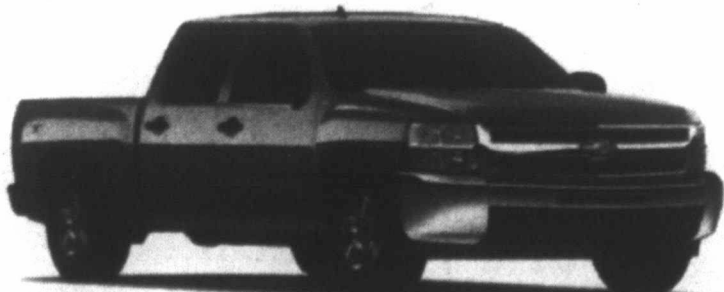
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Lady Wolves lose close one to Lady Buffs

Kaitlyn Kimball did everything but throw the kitchen sink at the Stanton Lady Buffaloes on Friday night in the Colorado City Lady Wolves' District 5-3A playoff seeding game in the Forsan High School gym.

In the end, she should have probably thrown that, too.

Stanton, despite a 21-point performance by Kimball, scored a 6-0 run in the final 56 seconds of play and escaped with a nail-biting 48-46 victory. With the win, the Lady Buffaloes nailed down the district's No. 2 seed in the postseason and earned the right to play Ballinger in the bi-district round on Monday. Colorado City, the No. 3 seed in the 5-3A race, played Jim Ned on Monday at 6 p.m. in the Junell Center on the campus of Angelo State University in San Angelo.

Stanton looked as if it would run away with the contest early in the first. The Lady Buffaloes opened the game with a three-point shot from Shelby Holland and raced to a quick 11-2 lead

before the Lady Wolves managed to get untracked.

Sara Roach notched C-City's lone basket of the initial 6:34 of play.

Colorado City whittled away at the Lady Buffaloes' lead in the final 1:36 of the first. Taylor Epperson knocked down back-to-back shots from the field in that span and helped the Lady Wolves pull to within 15-6 at the start of the second.

Kimball helped spark a C-City rally in the second. She pumped in eight of her game-high total in the ensuing eight minute frame and led a staggering 16-10 run that trimmed Stanton's lead to just three, at 25-22, at the half.

After Epperson and Cassie Sutton helped C-City fight to a 10-10 deadlock in the first six minutes of the second, Kimball stunned the Lady Buffs' defense in the last two minutes. In a 120-second span, she pumped in six straight points.

Kimball was far from through terrorizing the Stanton defense.

She opened the third quarter by draining a three-pointer from the corner and knotting the game at 25-25.

Stanton managed to withstand the C-City threat. The Lady Buffaloes, after Marissa Parras had given the Lady Wolves their first lead of the game with a basket with 55 seconds left in the third, garnered a shot — and an free throw shot — with 175 seconds left in the third and took a shaky 35-34 cushion into the final stanza.

Kimball gave Colorado City the lead back just 9 seconds into the third. She knocked down a 10-footer from the baseline that staked the Lady Wolves to a 36-35 cushion.

Stanton answered back. The Lady Buffaloes posted a 6-4 run over the next 2 1/2 minutes and grabbed a 41-40 lead with 4:41 left in regulation.

Colorado City didn't roll over and die. The Lady Wolves rallied back, netting a shot from Kimball and a three-point bomb

from Sutton that gave C-City a stunning 46-41 lead with just 1:36 left in the game.

Sutton also finished the game in double figures for C-City, netting 12.

Unfortunately for the lady Wolves, Stanton had one last run left in them. The Lady Buffaloes scored the final seven points to claim the victory.

Despite the loss, the Lady Wolves also garnered a strong performances from Epperson, who tallied six points in the contest. Baylie Lindsey, Alexa Garza and Roach all added two, while Jalessa Williams chipped in one.

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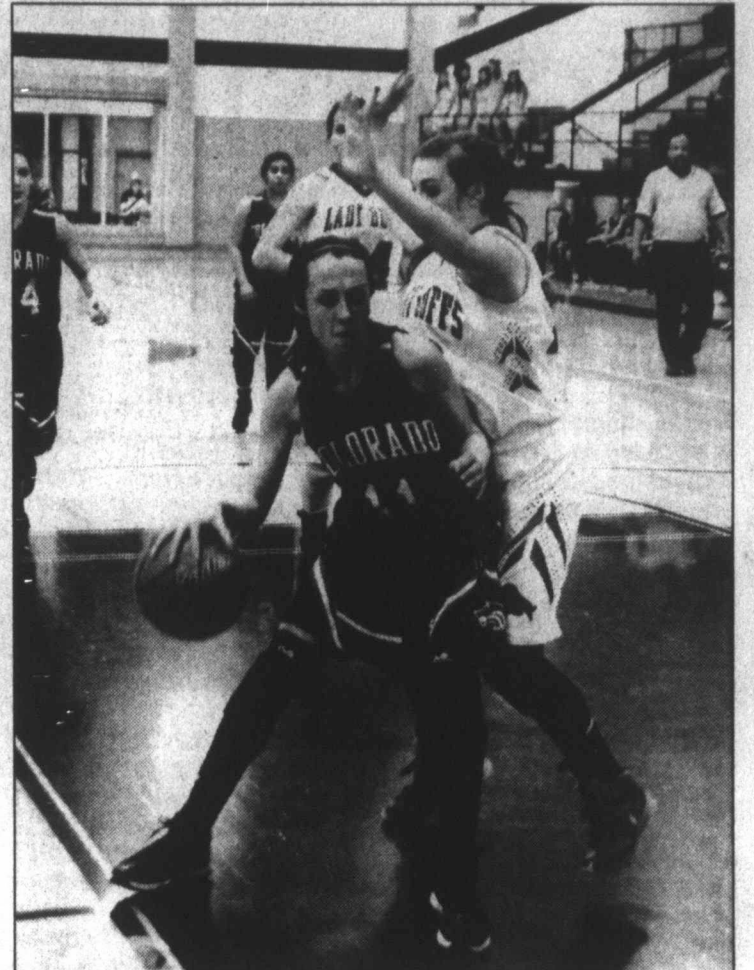
The Cancerbuster Relay for Life team has plans to raise money for cancer and provide a fun event for anyone interested in "glowing". The group will hold a 5K Glow Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, March 21st, beginning at 8 p.m. in Loraine.

Those taking part will have the opportunity to purchase glow-in-the-dark paint and other items to help light their way around the path. Brisket burritos will be sold for \$3 each to give those participating a boost of fuel.

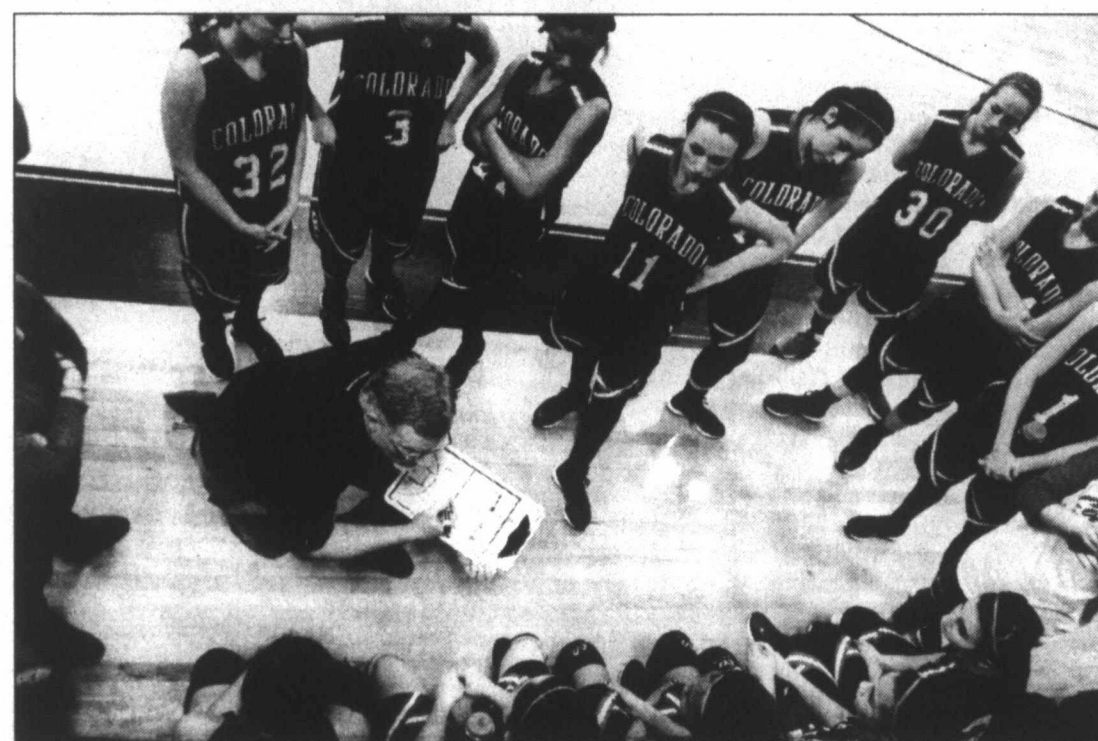
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T-Shirts will be provided to all participants that pre-register by Friday, March 6th. To sign up, contact Becky Benivamondez at the Loraine school by calling 737-2225.

So, make plans to get your glow on and help raise money to fight cancer.



MOVE! GET OUT THE WAY! Sophomore Baylie Lindsey drives the basket in last Friday's game with Stanton. Lindsey and the Lady Wolves came up short to the Lady Buffaloes, 48-46.



STRATEGY - Coach Barry Kimball (kneeling, center) goes over a play with the Lady Wolves varsity basketball team during last Friday's game with Stanton in Forsan.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Upper and Middle Clearfork Formations, North Westbrook Unit, Well Number(s) 2115W. The proposed injection well(s) are located 6 miles NW of Westbrook, in the in the Westbrook Field, in Mitchell County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2600 to 3500 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY TPDES PERMIT RENEWAL FOR INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER

TPDES Permit No. WQ0000554000
APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION.
Luminant Generation Company LLC, 1601 Bryan Street, Dallas, Texas 75201, which operates Morgan Creek Steam Electric Station, an electricity generation station, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0000554000 with a minor modification to authorize the removal of Outfall 001. The draft permit authorizes the discharge of once-through cooling water and previously monitored effluent (treated low volume waste sources, stormwater, and metal cleaning waste via internal Outfall 102) at a daily average flow not to exceed 720,000,000 gallons per day via Outfall 002. This application was received by the TCEQ on June 5, 2014.

The facility is located at 3177 State Highway 163 in Mitchell County, Texas 79512. The effluent is discharged to Lake Colorado City; thence to Morgan Creek; thence to the Colorado River Below Lake J. B. Thomas in Segment No. 1412 of the Colorado River Basin. The unclassified receiving waters have high aquatic life use for Lake Colorado City and limited aquatic life use for Morgan Creek. The designated

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uses for Segment No. 1412 are high aquatic life use and primary contact recreation.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Mitchell County Clerk's Office, 349 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.335833&lng=-100.915833&zoom=13&type=PUBLIC COMMENT/ PUBLIC MEETING>. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider the comments and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name; address; phone number; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Com-

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missioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. **All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.**

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us. Further information may also be obtained from Luminant Generation Company LLC at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Gary Spicer at 214-875-8299. Issued: January 27, 2015

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RESIDENTIAL

NEW! Between E. 20th and E. 21st- 6 Lots located between E. 20th and E. 21st. Zoned R-1 for single family residential. Lots are partially cleaned off on 20th St. side \$30,000.
NEW! 2696 LCR 252- Charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath house on lake with all nice appliances and furnishings. Lots of extras inside and out. Selling with everything you need to move in. See pictures online. \$130,000.
NEW! 806 LCR 315- Just updated 2 bed, 2 bath home on deeded lake property. Detached outbuilding has 3 rooms, could be turned into guest quarters. \$88,000.
606 Reeves Loraine- 2008 Laredo single-wide M. 3 bdrm, 2 bath, laundry room, carport and on 2 lots in Loraine. \$55,000.
603 S. Main St. Loraine- Charming, 1978 2 bedroom, 2 bath with addition. Includes appliances, some furniture and 2 storage buildings and carport on beautiful large lot. Priced to sell! \$38,000
REDUCED! 100 Blk of E. 21st - 3 Duplexes all currently full. Each unit has 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, fireplace, carport and storage area. \$380,000.
REDUCED! 520 E. 7th- Newly remodeled home with 3 bedroom, 3 baths, beautiful. Must see to appreciate. \$171,900. Owner will pay \$5000 in closing costs and home warranty.
7808 CR 395, Snyder, TX- Open floor plan with 2 living areas, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath.

COMMERCIAL

I-20 Frontage - 221.73 acres I-20 frontage. Great potential for variety of commercial uses. \$10,000 per acre.
1744 Hickory St. - Great location and size for any business. Highly visible large steel building with slab floor. \$105,000.
REDUCED! 601 E. I-20 - 4.2 acres with 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home and a smaller house also on premises. West of Matlocks. Priced to sell commercially or residential. \$150,000.

LAND

52.96 acres long I-20 and going deep to 18th St. Land is zoned for commercial to residential. Call for specifics. \$650,000.

RENTALS

House for rent:
1110 Nicolasa; 1114 Nicolasa; 2658 FM 1229 South of Colorado City and about 3 miles out; 2818 S. 163; and one COMMERCIAL building for rent 1709 Westpoint.
(940) 644-5500 Ask for Anna or LeeAnn.

1406 LCR 248- Lake Colorado City- 3 Bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 carport, large shop. Very nice. All appliances and washer and dryer.
1 Bedroom efficiency apartment for rent at the lake with all appliances and washer and dryer. New flooring, covered patio and large walk in closets.
904 Chestnut- 2 Bedroom, 1 bath, corner lot. \$575/month.
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For lease: Office space 1928 Austin St., Colorado City, TX. Call (325) 242-0609.
Rooms for rent, all utilities paid. (325) 242-0582.

RENTALS

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom, 2 bath furnished mobile home. \$800/month. \$500 Deposit with bills paid. RV SPOTS for \$300/month, has stove house with washer and dryer.
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NEW LISTING! 620 Vine

In Colorado City. 3 Bedroom, 1 bath. Garage apartment in back. Could be used to help with house payment. Will owner finance to the right person.
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Call Tresa to set up an appointment to see these listings.
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EXCLUSIVE LISTINGS

NEW! 2334 LCR 252 - 3/2 Lakefront home, separate dining area and den with a fireplace. Good location on the lake.
NEW! 328 Market- Loraine - 3/1 entirely updated on inside, new appliances.
NEW! 1245 Cherry - 3/2 Custom built home on over sized lot. Call to make an appointment today!
REDUCED! 2152 LCR 252 -- SOLD
1546 Locust -- SALE PENDING
1419 Oak -- SALE PENDING
REDUCED! 712 E. 17th - SALE PENDING
765 E. 7th -- SOLD

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

NEW! Elm Street Lumberyard and Antique Store- SOLD
540 E. 2nd - 1 Acre lot; partially zoned commercial location with single-family home. Great location for a yard or business.
South I-20 Frontage Road- 4.2 Acres at corner of 17th and S. Frontage Road. Great location for a new business.
NEW! LEASE- Office space downtown next to NTS. Call for more information.

LAND

NEW! FM 2836- Corner property with 32.9 acres with mineral rights.
REDUCED! 20 Acres minutes from I-20 great location for a new home or yard for a business. Call today for more information!
Several lots in Loraine for sale; call for details.

RENTALS

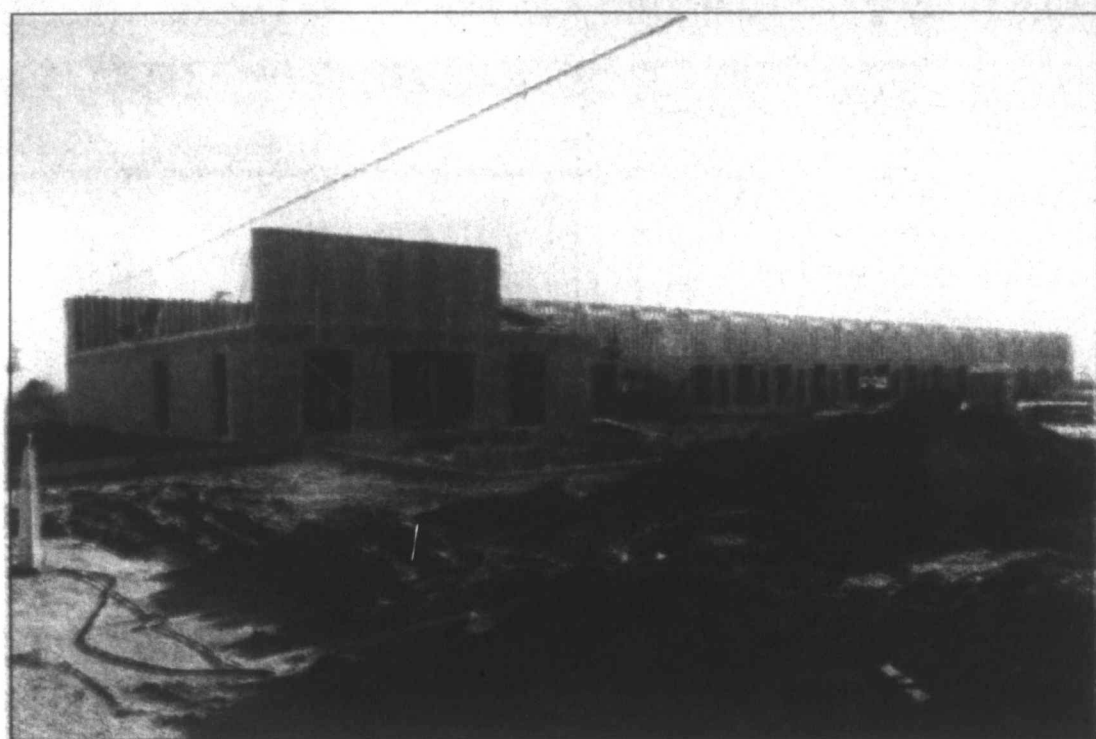
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LOCAL NEWS



GOING UP — Construction of the Super 8 motel is zooming along, as work crews are framing out rooms on the second story. Developers are hopeful to have the project completed by the time construction crews arrive to build the power plant, which is supposed to begin in late spring.

County Sports Complex adds new official website

Mitchell County Sports Complex has undergone several updates during the winter, including new bullpens and refurbished batting cages. Another new and exciting change is the addition of an official website for the sports facility.

The new website, which can be found at www.mcsportscomplex.org, is in operation and includes several features that may be helpful to Mitchell County citizens. The site has home schedules for the high school teams that play at the complex, along with rules and a deposit contract that can be printed, making renting a snap.

The site's calendar denotes the varsity and junior varsity Wolves baseball teams will be playing at the complex on February 23rd at 4 and 6:30 p.m. Also, fans can enjoy Westbrook baseball on Tuesday, February 24th at 4 p.m.

Complex Manager Darlene Moore has been maintaining a Facebook page for the complex for some time, and she will be posting new items to the website now as well. Moore said that she's looking forward to posting photos from the various seasons, as spring sports gets rolling.

According to the website, the Mitchell County Sports Complex is located on a 20-acre site along I-20 in Colorado City. The sports complex features baseball fields, softball fields, soccer fields, basketball courts, walking paths with workout stations, sand volleyball and horseshoe pits.

MCSC is home to area little league, high school baseball and softball, soccer and flag football. The facility often attracts high school play-off games, as well as adult softball and ragball tournaments.

The website outlines seven general rules that apply to the complex.

- No alcohol or tobacco allowed on county property.
- Parents are responsible for their children and their behavior.
- No foreign objects will be thrown onto the playing fields.
- All standard and handicap parking laws will be observed. Towing is strictly enforced for the safety of all persons.
- There shall be no parking by anyone other than county personnel at shop or on concrete.

- Overflow parking lot is provided east of little league field.

- All teams must clean their respective dugout after games.

A grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department made the construction of the facility possible, and it opened in 2004.

To make the grant a reality, a portion of the acreage at the complex is devoted to the growth and development of the Texas Poppymallow.

The website says the endangered flowering plant is perennial in the winecup family that grows in sandy soil and is found nowhere in Texas but Mitchell, Runnels and Coke Counties. There are only 10 known populations of Poppymallows.

Anyone interested in renting the facility or to find out more, contact the Mitchell County Economic Development office by calling 325-728-2298.

Staples speaks at WTxE event held in Midland

The West Texas Energy Consortium (WTxE) welcomed Todd Staples, President of the Texas Oil and Gas Association, to West Texas on Thursday, January 29th for an afternoon of networking with members and local officials. The event, hosted by WTxE Business Partner, Pioneer Natural Resources, featured remarks from U.S. Congressman, Mike Conaway, and Pioneer Natural Resources VP of Permian Affairs, Susan Spratlen in addition to special guest speaker, Todd Staples.

The continual decline in the price of oil has many folks across the state, and the nation, on the edge of their seat. Here in West Texas, the potential impact on communities from a sustained low in the market is significant, but there are things our nation can do to minimize the damage. Congressman Conaway spoke about the need to lift the U.S. ban on exporting raw crude and with a Republi-

can controlled Congress, definite inroads for that discussion will be made.

The theme throughout the event was the strength and resiliency of West Texas communities and businesses. Following the West Texas Energy Consortium's approach that there is 'Power In Partnership' TXOGA President, Todd Staples said, "This Consortium represents how we need to work to get things done. It's up to you, and TXOGA would like to partner with you." Susan Spratlen mirrored Mr. Staples comments when talking with Consortium representatives and members, saying that this is an ongoing relationship and should reach beyond this one meeting.

For more information on upcoming Consortium events or to become a member, please visit <http://wtxec.org> or contact Alyssa Goodgame, Regional Outreach Coordinator, at alysa@wtxec.org or 937-416-7591.

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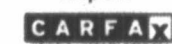
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