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Briefly

Lions Club Chili Dinner
The Lions Club will have their chili dinner Saturday, December 6 at 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. at the Civic Center.

City Hall Schedule
Garbage will not be picked up Thursday and Friday by the City of Colorado City due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The landfill will also be closed Thursday and Friday, but will be open Saturday.

Golden Age Club
The Westbrook Golden Age Club will have their annual Christmas Party December 2 at 6 p.m. The club will furnish the turkey and ham. Everyone please bring a salad or dessert. There will be a program and gifts will be exchanged. Women bring a woman's gift and men bring a man's gift.

Hospital Auxiliary
Mitchell County Hospital Auxiliary cookbooks are in. The cost is $9.75 with tax included. They can be purchased at the Hospital Gift Shop.

Project Celebration
There will be a CHS Senior Project Celebration meeting Monday, December 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the Colorado High School Library. All seniors and parents are invited to attend.

Wolf Booster Club
The Wolf Booster Club will meet Thursday, December 11 at noon at Garcia's. The drawing for the 4-wheeler will be held December 11. Tickets may be purchased from any CHS student athlete.

Santa Tree
Colorado City Cub Scouts are doing their part in helping Colorado City kids have a better Christmas. A "Santa Tree" will be on display at Alco beginning Saturday, November 22. This tree will have ornaments on it with information needed to help a Colorado City kid have a better Christmas.

Deaths

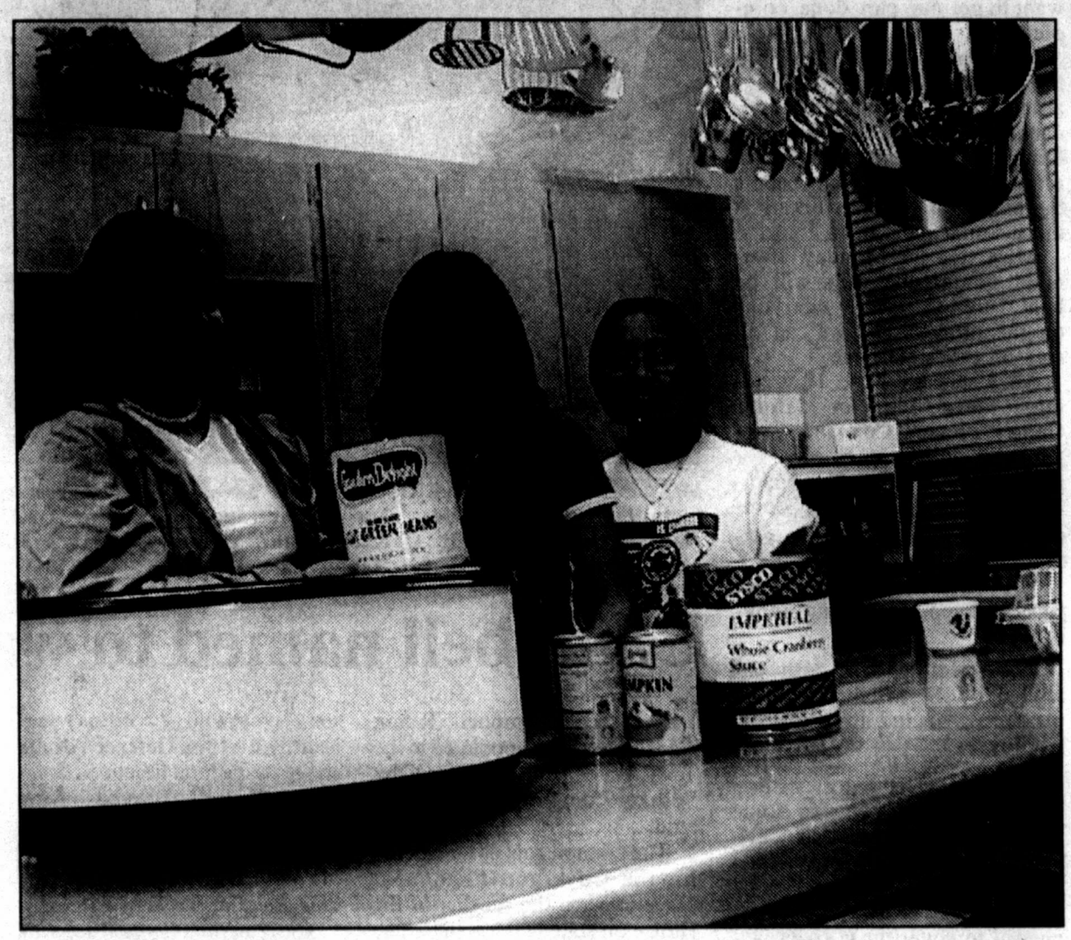
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Around Town

Happy birthday **Melissa Molina Lara** (Nov. 27)... **Jamie Rivera** (Nov. 26)... **Jessica Barrera** (Nov. 28)... **Jesse Espinoza** (Nov. 28)... **Allison Burrola** (Nov. 30)... **Patty Burrola** (Dec. 1)... **Tony Martinez, Jr.** (Nov. 29)... **Pam Walker** (Nov. 27)... Happy 27th Anniversary **Bryon & Mollie Bruce** (Nov. 27)... Happy belated birthday **Frank Espinoza** (Nov. 22)... Watch out Colorado City, **Jennifer Rios** has her drivers license... Best wishes **Jose Burrola**... Ask **Lori Lindsey** how far she can get on an empty tank of gas... Ask **Alfred Lynch** how old he really is... Congratulations **Charlie and Carrie Ortiz**, it's a boy!... Happy 28th Anniversary **Ron & Betty Adams**... Happy 5th birthday **Autumn Green** (Nov. 29)...

Lake Levels

Lake Colorado City.....2062.54'
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Down 47.98'
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A BUSY THANKSGIVING MORNING is ahead for CCD confirmation classes as they sponsor the annual turkey and ham dinner Thursday, Nov. 27, at St. Ann's Catholic Church, 2005 Walnut St. Three class members getting an early start are, left to right, Frances Carlos, Anissa Pineda and Gina Hinojosa. They are sophomores at Colorado High School.

Hospital project gets boost with conference calls

A lengthy conference call Monday, Nov. 24, may help play a major role in getting the new Mitchell County Hospital completed by the target date of Jan. 16.

Hospital Administrator Linda Mize said the call lasted 2 1/2 hours, and also opened the door for weekly conference calls among key players until the facility is finished.

The call included Mize, architect Robert Cox of Austin, John Cooper and Raymond Chaission, both of Cooper Construction Co., and Don Hamilton of the Austin-base Wallace Co.

"Basically what we did was try to realistically firm up dates for completion of each of the 58 items in the Texas Department of Health report," Mize said prior to hospital directors meeting Tuesday, Nov. 25.

An early presstime because of the Thanksgiving holiday will delay the meeting story until the Thursday, Dec. 4, issue.

Mize said that during the conference call "we assigned responsibilities as to who will handle each item.

"We set priorities for responding. We're trying to get everything ordered for the completion. A lot of things can be completed by mid-December.

"However, it will take longer on the front parking lot. That's the long lead item we have to look at."

During the directors' Nov. 18 meeting, Cooper projected Jan. 16 as the completion date, including the front parking lot.

Mize said that initially, TDH would allow the hospital to open if the back parking was finished in addition to having parking spaces available for handicapped patients.

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St. Ann's expects large crowd for turkey dinner

Members of St. Ann's Catholic Church and other Colorado City residents are preparing for a busy Thanksgiving Day morning.

The CCD confirmation classes at St. Ann's and St. Joseph Catholic Church in Loraine are sponsoring the annual Thanksgiving turkey and ham dinner, and they expect to serve from 300 to 500 people.

The dinner will be served at the church hall 2005 Walnut St., from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 27, and at least 10 drivers are expected to be on hand to deliver meals.

Mitchell County residents wanting meals delivered can phone the church at 728-3252 and requests one by giving an address. They can also phone

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Lake gets bluegills; critical months ahead

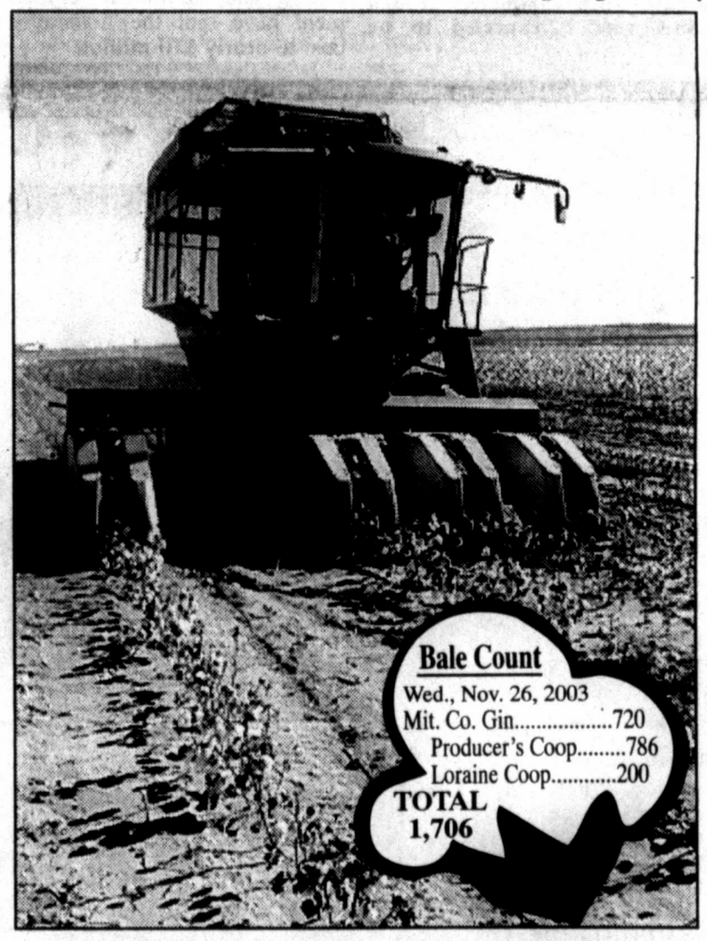
The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department added to Lake Colorado City's fishery last week, but the next three months could determine if more fish will be stocked in 2004.

District supervisor Brian Van Zee of San Angelo said 45,000 bluegills, also know as sun perch, were stocked Nov. 18, and another 19,000 were released Nov. 19 at the boat ramp in Lake Colorado City State Park.

Van Zee said the two releases complete stocking efforts for 2003, and now the wait begins to see if the lake can fight off any reoccurrence of the deadly golden algae that devastated the lake's fishery the past two years.

The TPWD's inland fisheries personnel stocked the 1,600-acre lake this year with 80,000 catfish fingerlings, 151 channel catfish weighing 18-20 pounds,

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SUNDAY NIGHT'S HARD FREEZE (19° in some parts of the county) will certainly drop the cotton leaves and the local cotton harvest should be in full swing next week. Tony Salazar is shown here harvesting cotton on the Watlington farm northeast of Colorado City. Ginning season has begun as all three county gins begin ginning this week.

Colorado City man charged in drug case

An anonymous tip led to the discovery of crack cocaine and the arrest of a Colorado City man.

Darron Emerson remains in Mitchell County Jail on a $7,500 bond after being charged with possession of a controlled substance.

Colorado City Police Department Investigator Pete Torres arrested Emerson around 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, at the Relax Inn.

Torres said Isabel Cantu also occupied the room, but no charges have been filed against her.

Mitchell County Chief Deputy Mike Redwine and Sheriff's Deputy Chris Adames assisted.

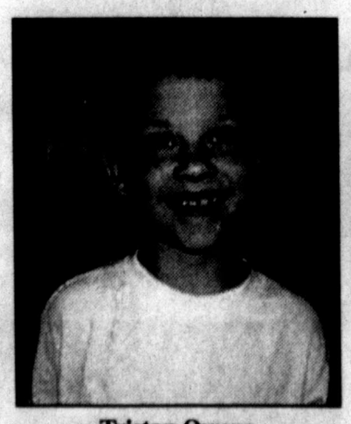
Torres said, "I received an anonymous call around 9:30 a.m. from a female person who stated that drugs were in room No. 3 at the Relax Inn."

Torres said he and Redwine responded to the call.

He said they made contact

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Kelley Elementary second graders talk turkey...



Tristan Owens
I'm going to get my turkey from the woods and I'm going to shoot it with a shotgun and blow it's head off. And then I'm going to cook it with it's feathers still on it and put salt and pepper and mustard and ketchup then I'm going to boil it on the stove for 30 minutes. Then I'm going to eat it.



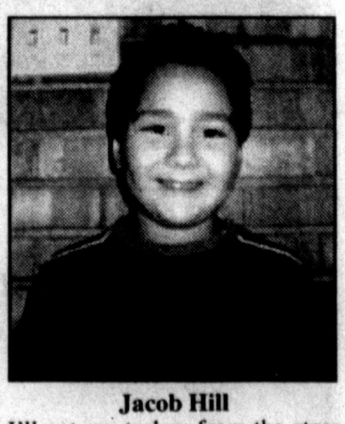
Randy Holguin
Me and my grandpa will hunt for the turkey and kill it with a gun. Then we'll take all the feathers with something that my grandpa uses. Then we'll take out all the blood and then cut the head off and then we'll put in the oven and cook it for 122 minutes with some salt.



Shirley Hemphill
I'm going to get my turkey from the woods and kill it with a bow and arrow. Then I would take the feathers off by pulling them off and cook it in the kitchen in the oven with some ketchup for five minutes.



Marisela Espinoza
My turkey will come from the store. Then I'll take it home and cook it in the oven for a whole day. The only thing I would put on the turkey before I cook it would be some salt.



Jacob Hill
I'll get my turkey from the store and take it home. Then I would cook it in the oven for about 60 minutes with nothing at all on it.

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HOSPITAL

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During the TDH inspection in late October, inspector Jim Eades told Mize that the road leading to the hospital's front entrance needs to be completed in addition to at least eight spaces for handicap parking.

Mize said the Jan. 16 target date could be affected by bad weather days.

"Given reasonable weather and reasonable working days, we should be able to get done by then," she said. "We could possibly exceed expectations on some of these things."

Mize said the health department could give the go-ahead to move in "if some of the items are still pending."

"Cecil said that by the time the eight handicap spaces are finished in front, the rest of the parking lot could be finished because you can't just do part of it." Mize said.

Cecil Crow is a hospital district employee overseeing various projects, including the site work.



MITCHELL COUNTY HOSPITAL Administrator Linda Mize said "good progress" is being made at the new hospital off Interstate 20 as the back parking lot was striped Friday, Nov. 21, with additional sidewalk and curb work completed around different areas of the facility. Site work is expected to be completed in mid-January.

Mize said the front parking lot project is expected to fall into space at the same time.

"I think things are looking good right now," Mize said. "They are looking better.

"What we are trying to do is make sure the hospital district is not holding anything up. We want to get our part done completely.

"We are going to do anything that will help move things along. The hospital maintenance folks are doing a lot of things to help get things into place and the county has been a big help with several workers at the hospital most days."

Mize said the Monday afternoon conference calls will be held "just to update everyone on the progress, so we can all stay on the same page."

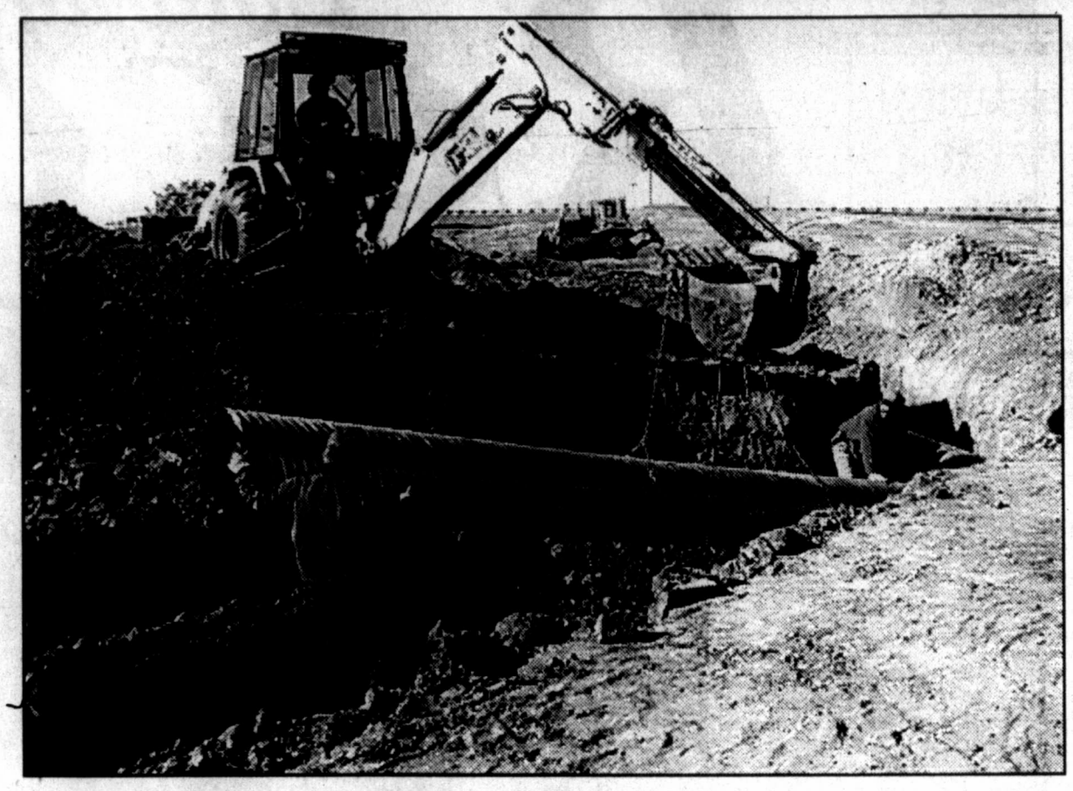
Mize said the Nov. 18 meeting, when director Hollis Gainey pressed Cox and Cooper and project engineers for answers on delays at the hospital, "showed them how committed the community is to getting the project completed.

"I think there will be a brisk pace to keep everything moving."

The meeting was also attended by 18 Mitchell County residents, including hospital employees.

With the TDH report calling for replacement items in some areas, Mize said she has been authorized to apply for a loan in the neighborhood of $300,00 that is expected to be needed to cover those costs.

Voters originally approved a $7.4 million bond issue for the new hospital, but delays, change orders and additional equipment have sent the hospital's cost to nearly $10 million.



MITCHELL COUNTY CREWS TOOK advantage of clear skies Monday, Nov. 24, to begin installing drainage lines near the entrance of the new Mitchell County Hospital. Neal Hawley, left, and Kelly Overton, right, connect a 36-inch line and a 24-inch line with the help of equipment operator Randy Anderson.

Campbell named to water council

Rep. Scott Campbell, R-San Angelo, has been appointed to the Texas Water Advisory Council by Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland.

The council acts as a resource for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and the speaker of the House on state water issues. The appointees provide recommendations based on charges issued to the council or on issues selected for the council by the end of each year.

Campbell is a freshman member of the Texas House of Representatives who served as vice-chairman of the Defense Affairs and State-Federal Relations Committee. He also served on the Natural Resources Committee and introduced legislation dealing with water issues this past 78th Regular Session.

Currently the Council has seen charges to evaluate the status of projects and strategies proposed by regional water planning groups to meet water supply needs, evaluate and explore alternatives to condemnation of water for municipal purposes, and to evaluate the impact of federal drinking water standards for naturally occuring materials such as radionuclides and arsenic on water systems.

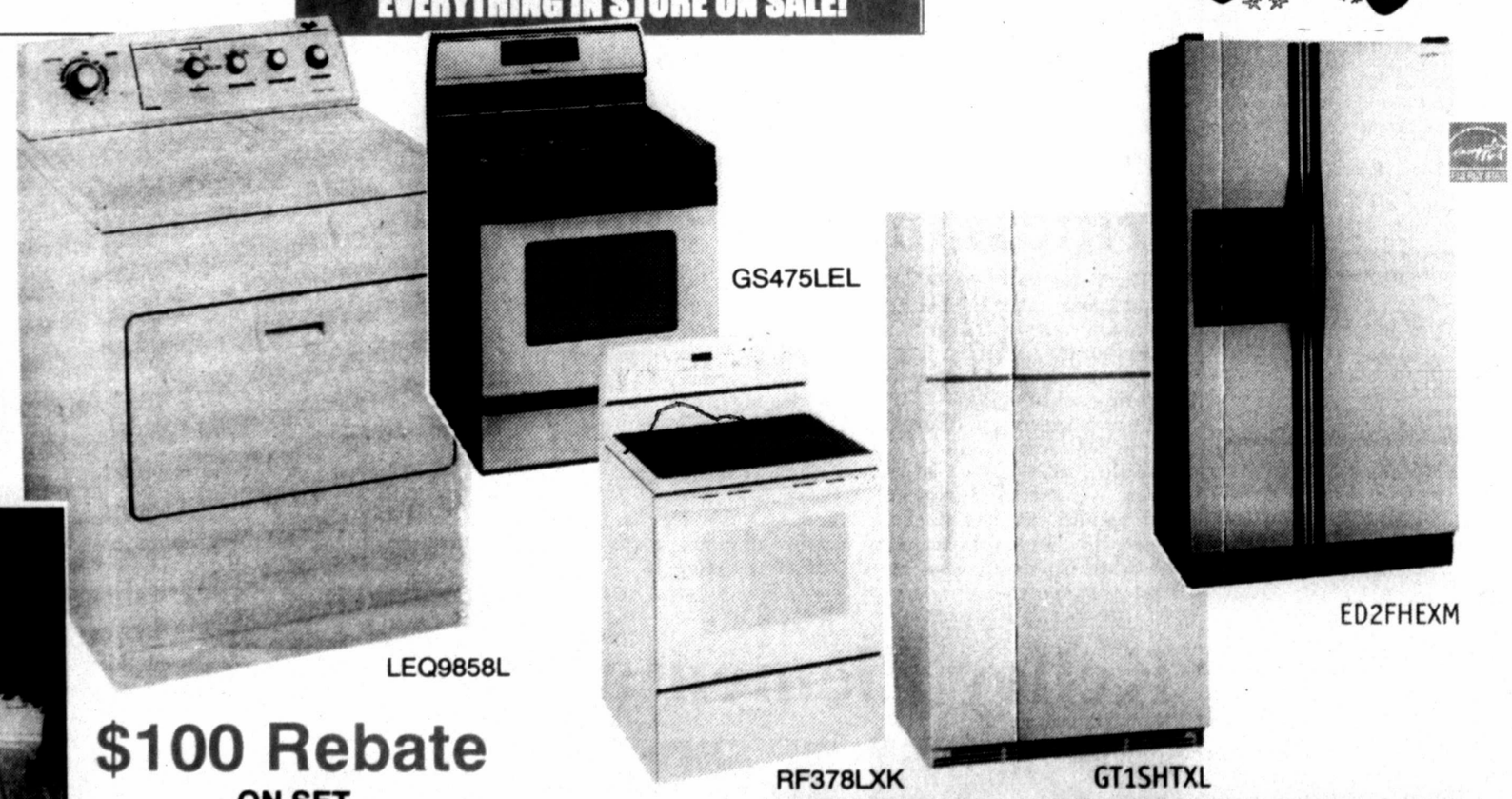
"I am flattered by this appointment," Campbell said. "I have a very strong interest in water issues and through participation on the Council, I hope I can contribute logical and practical ideas to assist with the state's future water needs - especially in my district where water is such a precious commodity."

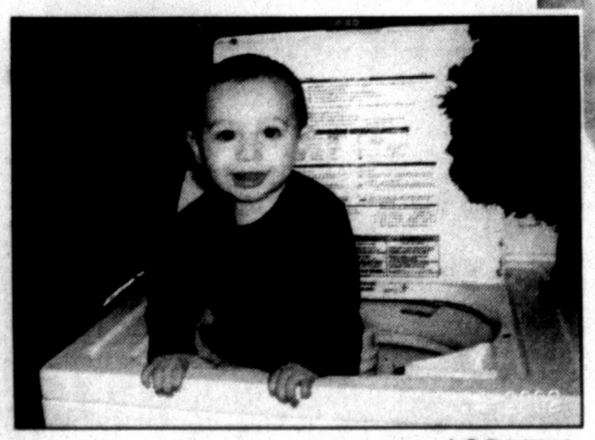
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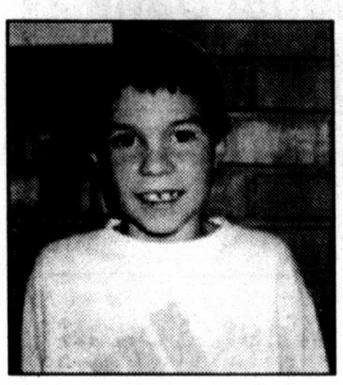
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TURKEY

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Felipe Garcia
I'm going to go hunting to get my turkey and kill it with a gun. Then I guess I can take the feathers off and take it home and cook it in the oven for about 103 minutes. Then it should be done.



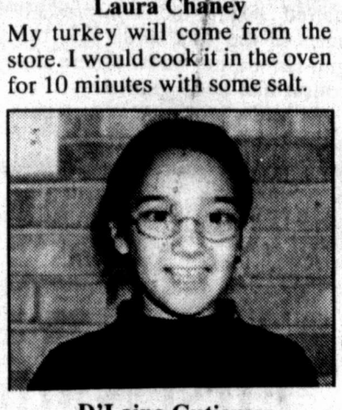
Cody Tolle
I would find my turkey in a forest and shoot it with a gun. Then I would put it in the truck and pluck the feathers one by one. I will cook it in the oven for about 5 minutes.



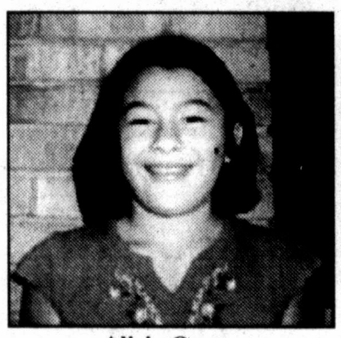
Marissa Robinson
I will get my turkey from Fuller Foods. First I'm going to take it out of the bag and put it in a pan with a little salt and cook it for about 30 minutes.



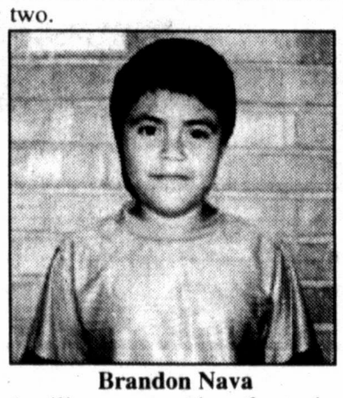
Laura Chaney
My turkey will come from the store. I would cook it in the oven for 10 minutes with some salt.



D'Laina Gutierrez
I'm going to get my turkey from a farm somewhere. I"ll take it home and kill it with a sword. And then I'll pluck the feathers off and peel off all the fur and then put it in the oven for about 30 minutes.



Alicia Orozco
I would get my turkey from the woods and take it home alive and kill it at home outside with a knife. Then I would take the feathers off and put it in a pan with no salt or pepper or anything and put it in the oven for like a minute or two.



Brandon Nava
I will get my turkey from the woods and kill it with a knife. I would pluck the turkey and cook it without any salt or pepper and cook it in a pot on the stove for 15 minutes.

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Bids taken on eight local properties

Mitchell County residents have until Friday, Nov. 28, to submit bids for eight properties being sold by three taxing entities in Colorado City.

The bids must be submitted to the Mitchell County Appraisal District, 2112 Hickory St., no later than by the close of business.

The office will be closed Nov. 27-28 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Bids will be opened at 4:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, at the CISD Administration Building.

The properties are located at 221 Locust, three lots in the 1000 block of Westpoint, 226 Austin, 184 Austin, and two lots in the 1000 block of College.

A notice listing the properties, along with the terms of sale are located at the CISD Administration Building, appraisal district office, City Hall and the county tax office.

All bids will be considered. The person who submits the best bid -- based on amount and on proposed use of the property -- will be required to keep the property maintained for two years after the purchase, once the sale is approved by the three entities.

Bids can be submitted on all properties collectively, or individually.

All bids will be considered, but the taxing units reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

Two Colorado City residents submitted bids for two of five properties in the first batch put up for sale.

Eric Boone and Jesus Hernandez Jr. submitted bids for properties located at 750 East 5th St. and the corner of Elm and 12th streets by the Nov. 17 deadline.

Bids were opened Tuesday, Nov. 18, by the screening committee.

Boone submitted a bid of $20, while Hernandez bid $100.

The bids will be presented to the taxing entities when they meet.

Properties not receiving bids were located in the Orginal Town at 144 East 11th St., 1117 Elm, and 723 Oak.

Winners of *Record* ham giveaway announced

Winners in the annual ham giveaway were announced Monday evening and by the number of coupons deposited at each business, this was the most successful ham contest ever. Winners include:

Frances Ortiz	Fuller Foods
Josie Martinez	Gas N Grub
Max Graham	Wendy's Whimseys
Dora Sutton	C.C. Quality Meats
Doug Greer	First National Bank
Rick Bullard	Dandy's Diner
J.A. Mayberry	Ramage Furniture & Appliance
Lanny Barnes	Matlock
Paul Smith	Kandy Kottage
Nellie Jordan	Perkin's' Apothecary
Billy Crawford	Wolf Den
Floyd Cupp	City Discount
Ray Fulton	Indian Summer
Geneva Ratliff	City National Bank
Joe Tarter	Summer's Restaurant
Shirley Bradbury	Heartfelt Treasures
Delbert Baker	Lone Wolf Cellular
Lisa Stephens	First Service Insurance
Billie Ruffin	Subway
Mary Matlock	Sun Jam's Video
Monica Chavez	The Medicine Place
Arlye Morton	D&D Grocery
Kevin Dolan	Wood's Boots
Henry Garza	B&B One Stop
A.B. Mosher	First Bank of West Texas
Brenda Turnage	Dairy Queen
Wendy Scott	Mitchell Co. Branch Credit Union
Ken Smith	Colorado Floral
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Stacey Horn	Automart
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DPS continues investigation of accident

The Department of Public Safety is continuing its investigation of a Tuesday, Nov. 18, accident that sent a Colorado City man to the Mitchell County Hospital.

DPS Trooper Lawrence Escamilla of Snyder said Mario Casares Jr., 22, was thrown from his Chevrolet pickup truck in the one vehicle accident.

Casares was turning onto County Road 307 from state Highway 163, south of Colorado City, around 9:15 p.m. when he lost control of the vehicle.

Escamilla said the vehicle slid off the road, flipped at least three times, and came to a rest on its wheels.

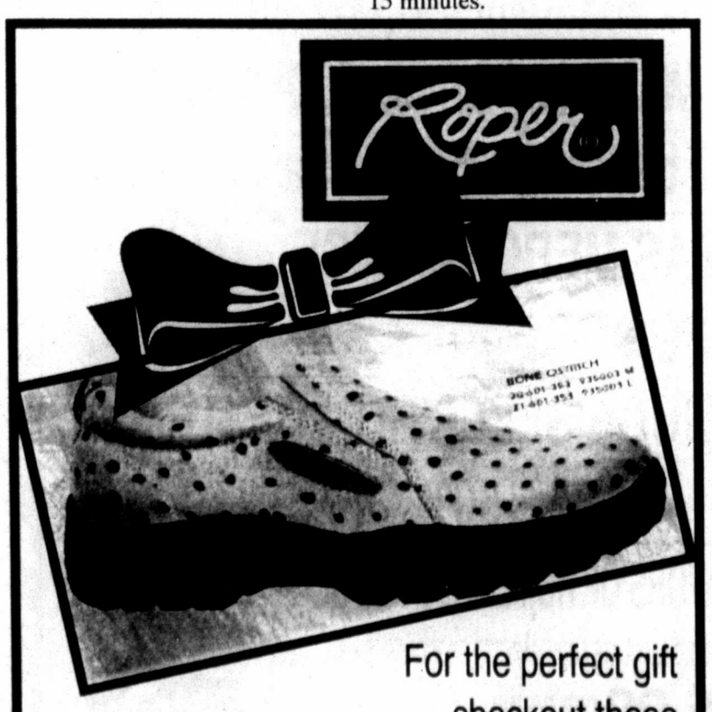
Casares was not wearing his seat belt. Escamilla said the passenger, 16-year-old Ashley Lefler, also of Colorado City, was wearing a seat belt.

She did not require any treatment. Casares was taken to the hospital by the Mitchell County EMS.

Escamilla said he expects the truck to be totaled.

He also said additional charges are pending in the accident.

Mitchell County Sheriff's Deputy Darrell Campbell assisted at the accident, and is also investigating additional charges in the accident.



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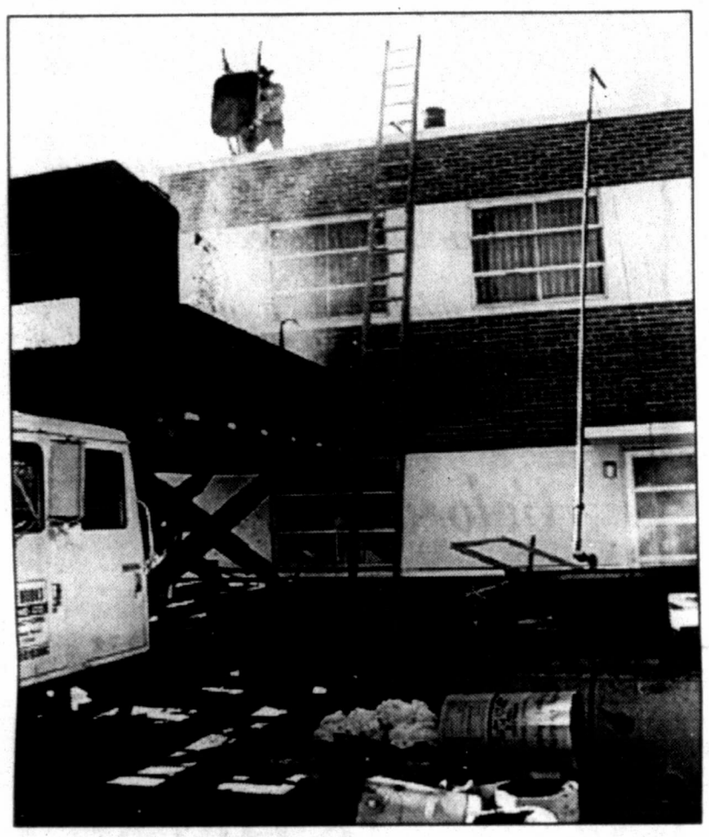
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ANNIE LEE OF COLORADO CITY was taken to Mitchell County Hospital by Mitchell County EMS after two-vehicle accident at the intersection of 6th and Hickory streets at 4:38 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19. Colorado City Police Department Investigator Pete Torres said Lee, driving a 1995 Chevrolet Caprice, was traveling west on 6th Street while Jody Clark was northbound on Hickory in a 1997 Ford pickup truck. Torres said Lee stopped at the intersection, but then proceeded through the intersection, failing to yield right of way. Clark tried to avoid a collision, but struck Lee's vehicle on the right rear of the driver's side. Lee was issued two citations. Police Officer Danny Heine investigated.



LYDICK-HOOKS ROOFING CO. of Abilene started work on the second floor roof of the Mitchell County Jail on Monday, Nov. 24. The company submitted the low bid of $8,500 to replace the existing roof that showed signs of leaking. The project is expected to take several days to complete.

Colorado City, Loraine fire units team up to extinguish two fires

Two fires breaking out 21 minutes apart Sunday, Nov. 23, forced the Colorado City Fire Department to call the Loraine Volunteer Fire Department for assistance.

Colorado City Fire Chief Rufino Martinez Jr. said they received the first call at 9:10 p.m., when three fire trucks were sent to a fire at the residence of Rick Alvarez off Farm-to-Market Road 2835 in the northwestern part of Mitchell County.

Martinez said a second call came in at 9:31 p.m. when a fire broke out in cotton bales being shipped to Roscoe.

Colorado City sent one truck, and called Loraine for assistance, with eight volunteers responding.

The Colorado City truck then returned to the fire station.

Martinez said 14 firefighters responded to the call at the Alvarez home, including himself and Rick Goodney.

Martinez said the fire broke out between the roof and the interior siding in the two-story log cabin home.

"We had to go in from the peak of the roof to get to the fire," he said. "We had to shoot water between the runners to extinguish the fire."

He said it appears an electrical problem started the fire, but Fire Marshal Charles Rice is expected to further investigate the cause.

Martinez said damage to the home was not severe, but rafters were damaged in addition to the home's main living area receiving heat, smoke and water damage.

He said the fire was doused in 30 minutes, but they stayed another 45 to make sure the fire was out.

Martinez said firefighters received help from neighboring residents Eddie, Jeremy and Cody Strain, who were among the first at the scene, and also brought a tank of water.

Loraine Fire Chief Donnie Phillips said they received the call for help at around 10 p.m. at the 219 marker.

Phillips said an 18-wheeler was eastbound to Roscoe when fire broke out in the bales of cotton being shipped.

He said the fire may have started inside the compressed bales at the time they left the gin. He did not know where the cotton had been ginned.

In order to save the truck and trailer, Phillips said they had to push the 500-pound off the bed by hand before the City of Colorado City sent out a backhoe to remove the bales.

He said the truck was not carrying a full load, but estimates that at least 25 bales, or half of the load, were lost.

Phillips said it took at least three hours to shut down the fire in freezing temperatures.

DPS targets motorists not using seat belts

Joining the thousands of motorists who will be hitting Texas streets and highways this month as the winter holiday and shopping season gets underway will be thousands of law enforcement officers. These officers will be part of the Thanksgiving Click It or Ticket safety belt enforcement and public education effort.

Texas is part of a national effort to reduce deaths and injuries from traffic crashes. From November 18 to December 1, state troopers, police officers and sheriffs' deputies throughout Texas will be cracking down on drivers and passengers who aren't using safety belts.

In addition to messages on television, radio and billboards, motorists on Texas streets and highways will see reminders to buckle up on more than 2,000 HEB trucks. San Antonio-based H.E. Butt Grocery Company will display Click It or Ticket decals on their entire fleet of vehicles which travel more than 50 million miles each year.

"As combining stepped up law enforcement with public education works to get people to buckle up," Brenda Mitchell, the Texas Department of Transportation's Abilene District's traffic safety coordinator, said, "focusing on seat belt law enforcement around Thanksgiving will save lives. The Click It or Ticket campaign should help give Texas motorists the extra incentive they need to always use their safety belts and make sure their children are properly secured."

Texas law requires drivers and front seat passengers to always use safety belts. Children and teens up to the age of 17 have to be buckled up in the front or back seat. Child safety seats are required for children under four years old or less than three feet tall. Fines for violations range from $25 to $200.

Mitchell said that as a result of the Click it or Ticket effort, first launched in Texas eighteen months ago, statewide safety belt usage has increased from 76% to almost 85%.

Officials estimate that maintaining safety belt use in Texas at this level means 200 fewer traffic fatalities and 5,000 fewer injuries each year.

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local news

OBITUARIES

Lela Bowlin

1910-2003

Mrs. Lela Bowlin, 93, of Loraine, died Tuesday, November 18, 2003 in a Big Spring hospital. Graveside services were held Friday in the Loraine Cemetery with Rev. Bryan Waddell officiating. Arrangements were handled by Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bowlin was born November 13, 1910 in Westbrook to Frank and Cora Boyce Sweatt. She married E.B. Bowlin on December 24, 1930 in Ackerly, TX. He preceded her in death on November 17, 1988. She was a homemaker and had cooked in the school lunchroom for many years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Loraine.

She is survived by three sons and daughters-in-law, Del and Betty Bowlin of Loraine, Fred and Barbara Bowlin of Del Rio and Shug and Pat Bowlin of Lake Colorado City; a sister, Elia Freeman of Oletha, KS; six grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Mary R. Valdez

1934-2003



Mary R. Valdez, 69, a resident of Wichita Fallas for 35 years, died Monday, November 17, 2003 in Wichita Falls. Services were held Thursday at Iglesia Bautista Libertad Church with Bro. Ben Valdez officiating. Interment will be in Crestview Memorial Park under the direction of Owens & Brumley Funeral Home.

Mrs. Valdez was born April 13, 1934 in Colorado City, Texas. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Sigifredo Valdez; four daughters, Rosa Martinez, Rebecca Barron and Anita Moreno, all of Wichita Falls and Linda Thompson of South Lake; four brothers, Frank Rocha and Alex Rocha, both of Colorado City, Doroteo Rocha of San Bernadino, Calif., and Carlos Rocha of Odessa; seven sisters, Jessie Aguilar, Paulina Silva, Petra Aguilar, and Linda Guiterrez, all of Colorado City, Trine Aguilar and Adelina Leal of Wichita Fallas, and Teresa Perez of Plainview; six grandchildren, Miqueila Montgomery, Angie Loder, Naomi Barron, Consuelo Thompson and Javan and Ahveila Moreno; and two great-grandchildren, Ian and Kohen Montgomery.

Jerry Alberts

1943-2003

Mr. Jerry Alberts, 60, of Colorado City, died Tuesday, November 18, 2003 in a local hospital. Services were held Friday at the funeral home. Jerry's body was cremated following the service.

Mr. Alberts was born June 30, 1943 in Santa Anna, Texas to Ester Eugene and Lora Edna Fletcher Alberts and had been a lifelong resident of Colorado City. He was a retired fishing tool operator for Petco.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Donald and Ramona Alberts of Abilene; a daughter, Suzan Burkett of New Braunfels; his former wife and friend, Paula Alberts of Colorado City; a brother, Eddie Alberts of Crane and four grandchildren.

Mearl Currie

1918-2003

Mr. Mearl Currie, 85, of Colorado City, died Friday, November 21, 2003 in a local hospital. Services were held Monday at Calvary Baptist Church with Revs. Sammy Elliott and Paul Smith officiating. Burial followed in the Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Currie was born January 22, 1918 in Belmont, LA to L.A. and Myrtle Weeks Currie and had been a lifelong resident of Colorado City. He married Gladys Lenora Proctor on August 26, 1938 in Colorado City. He worked as a road and bridge foreman for Mitchell County, precincts 1, 2 & 3 for 16 years. He was also a member of the Calvary Baptist Church and a US Army Veteran of WWII.

Mr. Currie is survived by his wife, Gladys Currie of Colorado City; a son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Sharon Currie of Odessa; a daughter and son-in-law, Marlena and Floyd Rice of Westbrook; two brothers, Johnny Currie of Midland and Bill Kiser of Hurst; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.



MEMBERS OF MITCHELL MASONIC LODGE No. 563 begin boxing toiletry items that will be sent to long-term patients at the Big Spring State Hospital as part of Christmas packages. They decided to contribute as part of their efforts to help local and area residents, and to increase membership participation. Left to right are Bob Brookshear, lodge secretary; Jesse Kossman, junior warden; and Kenneth Rogers, master of lodge.

Applications taken by CIA

Applications are now being accepted for the 2004 Christmas in Action, to be held on April 24, 2004. Focus on this program is to help keep homes safe, warm, and dry; accordingly, priorities are plumbing, electrical, safety (railings) and roof repairs.

This is not a maintenance program and homes are selected on the basis of greatest need, with lowest income applicants given priority. Rules must be followed, or your home will not be considered.

No home will be considered without written application, received on or before December 30.

Taxes must be paid. Homeowners must own and reside in home a minimum of three years, must be low income, over 60 years old, or low income disabled.

Applications can be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce, and returned to Christmas in Action, 2782 S FM 1229, Colorado City, Texas 79512, or taken by the Chamber of Commerce office.

Rendition forms due by Dec. 1

Mitchell County business owners have until Monday, Dec. 1, to submit new rendition forms to report the value of their tangible personal property used to produce income.

Senate Bill 340 provides amnesty for business owners who have previously omitted property if they file corrected renditions before Dec. 1, or have them postmarked by Dec. 1.

They will be exempt from back taxes, penalties and interest.

These businesses will be sent a corrected statement for the current year's taxes to be due in January 2004.

The new rendition forms, or additional information, can be obtained at the appraisal district, 2112 Hickory St., Colorado City 79512, or phone 728-5028.

Since the appraisal district office will be closed Nov. 27-28 for the Thanksgiving holiday, renditions must be postmarked Dec. 1 or before to be accepted.

Kaye Cornutt, chief appraiser for the Mitchell County Appraisal District, said the new law is an effort to increase appraisal accuracy and property tax revenues for local governments.

It is estimated that local taxing entities statewide lose up to $200 million a year in property taxes because of businesses not complying with rendition laws.

The law imposes a penalty on any business that fails to file an annual rendition form with the appraisal district.

Unlike homeowners, business owners are assessed a value not only for real property, such as buildings and real estates, but for tangible assets such as inventory, furniture, fixtures, machines, equipment, computers and vehicles used in the operation of a business, Cornutt said.

The bill passed in April and took effect Sept. 1.

In addition, local business owners who have escaped taxation on all or part of those tangible assets will face penalties, interest and back assessments for the past two years if they do not submit proper values before the Dec. 1 deadline for the current tax year.

Although required by law to file renditions, businesses were not previously penalized for failing to file.

With the passing of SB 340, business owners can face penalties in three areas:

-- Beginning in April 2004, businesses that fail to file an annual rendition will be assessed a 10 percent penalty of the total tax.

-- Businesses that file false or misleading renditions will pay a 50 percent penalty of the total tax.

-- Renditions filed in 2004 can be used to assess back taxes, penalties and interest for up to two years.

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DRUGS

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with Cantu and Emerson.

"I told Darron what was going on and that we had received a tip," Torres. "We did receive verbal consent to search the room from both occupants.

"In the search of the room, we located a small, clear plastic bag containing about 35 small rocks believed to be crack cocaine. It would weigh less than a gram."

Torres said the substance will be sent to the Department of Public Safety lab in Midland for analysis.

He said $300 was also seized from Emerson, who did not resist arrest.

MEAL

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Ronnie Arispe at 728-3962, or 242-1619.

He said he has received requets for more than 90 meals.

Juanita Arispe, a member of St. Ann's, said the dinner is "open to anyone in the community, or anyone who comes in. No one will be turned away. People who want meals delivered do not have to give their names, just the address and how many plates they want"

Arispe said members of St. Ann's church are taking part in the dinner in addition to other community members.

"We will deliver these as close to noon as we can. It depends on how many people we have delivering," Arispe said.

Meals are available to anyone unable to cook or leave their home and people who may not be able to leave their jobs.

"It's a community effort," Arispe said. "It's mostly church members involved in the dinner, but anyone is encouraged to help because we do want it to be a community event for the town."

"We are just about covered with everything," said Ronnie Arispe, who is helping organize the dinner along with Janie Davila. "Everyone has been generous in coming foward and helping.

Confirmation class members are required to obtain community hours as part of their confirmation and hours accumulated helping with the dinner will count toward it.

Arispe, who teaches a second-year confirmation class, said, "We are trying to teach class members to serve the community, and what it is like to help someone else.

"We are trying to get across to them how good it feels to help other people."



PUBLIC RECORDS

FILED WITH COUNTY CLERK

Thomas D. Strube, Sandra Strube to Bank of America NA, PRLap Inc. TTEE, Deed of Trust.

Robert Munoz, Lauren Ann Munoz, to First National Bank of Abilene, Chuck Cowell TTEE, Deed of Trust.

Washington Mutual Bank FA Succ., Washington Mutual Home Loans Inc. Succ. in, Fleet Mortgage Corp., Michelle Barney Asst. Vice-Pres., Lomas & Nettleton Company to Doyle E. Sharp, Carla W. Sharp, Release of Lien/DT.

Tommy Rasmussen to Security State Bank, Renewal Extension & Amend.

First National Bank of Colorado City, TX, Mark A. Waldrip Pres/CEO to Jesse Melvin Watson, Deborah Ann Watson, Release of Lien/DT.

Vickie Thames Vice Pres., Swartz & Brough Inc. to Raymond J. Gonzales, Christi R. Gonzales, Warranty Deed.

Raymond J. Gonzales, Christi R. Gonzales to Swartz & Brough Inc., Robert Klemme TTEE, Deed of Trust.

Internal Revenue Service, Pattye L. Haywood Compl. Tech Supp. Mgr to Ronald D. Grand, Release/Federal Tax Lien.

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First Mortgage Company LLC, Kathy Wright Co-Mgr., Edwin E. Henslee III to Principal Residential Mortgage Inc., Asgmt. of Lien/DT.

Rhea N. Cook Vice Pres. & Trust Officer, Texas Bank TTEE, Phillip Travis Thomas Trust to Phillip Travis Thomas, Warranty Deed.

Daniel Luera, Leslie Luera to Ricky Alvarez, Notice/Cancellation of.

First Mortgage Company LLC, Kathy Wright Co-Manager to Principal Residential Mortgage Inc., Asgmt. of Lien/DT.

Thelma Howell to LaRoyce Howell Coy, Quitclaim Deed.

Laroyce Coy, Mrs. Jon Coy aka, Laroyce Howell Coy aka to Eddie R. Harris, Amy D. Harris, Warranty Deed.

Eddie R. Harris, Amy D. Harris to City National Bank of Colorado City, Royce D. Clay TTEE, Deed of Trust.

John Spencer Crump Successor TTEE, Person-Crump Family Trust to John Spencer Crump, Distribution Deed.

City National Bank Colo. City, Bobby Lemons, Exec. Vice Pres. to Darrell Carpenter, Brenda Carpenter, P/Rel. of Lien/DT.

S.L. Martin Inc., Trent Martin Pres., Darrell Carpenter to Chimera Oil & Gas Inc.

Fang Operators Inc., Jackie W. Smith Pres. to Darrell Carpenter, Asgmt. & Bill Sale.

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Joe Farris Wheeler to Mary R. Wheeler, Power of Attorney.

Norma Q. Lozano to Ricard Cruz Lozano Jr., Yuri Lozano Rubio, Warranty Deed.

City National Bank of Colo. City, Royce D. Clay Pres. to Robert Munoz, Lauren Munoz, Release of Lien/DT.

Francene Allen-Noah to David Denison R., Rebecca L. Denison, Right of Purchase.

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David R. Denison, Rebecca L. Denison to Lone Star Land Bank FLCA, Glenn R. Parr TTEE, Deed of Trust.

Rebecca A. Frizzell to Royce D. Clay TTEE, City National Bank of Colorado City, Deed of Trust.

Bruce Zilbert Ind. Exec., Deythe Kelly Estate (deceased) to Bruce Zilbert, Executors Deed.

Leila May Swann deceased, Richard H. Swan Ind. Exec. to Richard H. Swan, Herman Arthur Swan Jr., Leila Diane Swan, Distribution Deed.

Earl W. Hardy Sr., Anneice Trujillo Individ & Guardian, Margaret Zelma Fraley Estate, Mae Jean Gonzalez, Mae Jean Danna aka, Marvin Ray Hardy, Charles William Hardy to Charles S. Hardy, Cert. Copy Warranty Deed.

ARRESTS

Manuel Castro, 20, MCSO, agg. assault, riot, 11-17-03.

Hank Robert Bradshaw, 41, TF, Tom Green warrant x2 forgery, 11-18-03.

Tony Martinez, 24, MCSO, DWI, 11-18-03.

Darren Lamont Emerson, 30, CCPD, PCS, 11-19-03.

Henry Gonzales, 52, MCSO, PI, 11-22-03.

Pablo Rodriquez, 63, MCSO, DWI-F, 11-22-03.

Tomas Jesus Aguilar, 22, MCSO, DWLI, 11-22-03.

Juan Manuel Lujan, 24, MCSO, DWLI, 11-23-03.

FILED IN COUNTY COURT

Gerald Evan White, 11-17-2003, poss. marij. <2 oz.

Jason Ray Vanderslice, 11-19-2003, resist arrest search or transp.

Michael Wayne Scott, 11-20-2003, driving while lic. suspended.

Amy Catherine Rogers, 11-20-2003, driving while intoxicated/open.

Michael Molina, 11-20-2003, driving while intoxicated.

COUNTY COURT ACTION

Terron Tyronne Young, Criminal Trespass, November 19, 2003, plea of guilty, $750 fine, $321 court costs.

Raymond Jay Bushong, Possession of Marijuana, November 24, 2003, plea of guilty, $1,000 fine, $211 court costs, 6 months suspended/1 year, $40 per month probation fees.

Mary Evelyn Blake, Illegal Dumping, November 24, 2003, plea of nolo contendere, $500 fine, $211 court costs.

Dominica C. Thacker, Theft, November 24, 2003, plea of guilty, $500 fine, $261 court costs, 90 days suspended/1 year, $40 per month probation fee, 80 hours of community service.

Jason Ray Vanderslice, Resisting Arrest, November 24, 2003, plea of guilty, $1000 fine, $211 court costs, 90 days suspended/1 year, $40 per month probation fee, 80 hours community service.

A Long Walk Home From Football Camp

By Tumbleweed Smith



B.J. Chapman lives at Klondike, a small community near Commerce. His nickname is Knob.

"About 60 years ago when I was in high school we used to go to football camp," says Knob. "I was 16. I'd get up in the middle of the night with a pair of scissors and take a gap out of somebody's hair. My dad was a barber and I had a pair of scissors in my suitcase, so I thought I'd use them. One night they put up a guard to see who was cutting their hair while they were asleep. They caught me and shaved my head and started calling me Bald Knob. Finally it just came down to Knob."

That football camp took place in 1941 when Knob played football for Sulphur Springs High School.

"We went to Mineral Wells every year. They had an old Army Camp out there and we stayed in the barracks. They'd take the football team for about two weeks prior to the season and work out twice a day. Most schools did something like that."

One member of the team thought camp was too tough.

"A boy named S.M. McDowell got all of it he wanted in the first day or two and he packed his suitcase one night and started home. The rest of us stayed the whole 14 days at football camp, then got on a school bus to go back home.

"About ten miles from Sulphur Springs, somewhere around Brashear, we saw S.M. walking alongside the highway lugging that suitcase. We picked him up and got him on that school bus. He had walked about a hundred miles in twelve days carrying that suitcase. The soles of his shoes were nearly gone."

Knob says S.M. came out for football that fall.

"He was in better shape than any of us, after walking a hundred miles carrying a 50 pound suitcase."

Knob played football in junior college and after the season was over he and some friends were in a honky-tonk on the Oklahoma border.

"The men's room was outside and next to it was a cage with a bobcat in it. Just before midnight a guy started taking bets, saying he could kiss that bobcat in the mouth."

Knob started betting on him, too.

"I thought he could do it."

The event took place at midnight.

"We all went outside and that guy got in the cage with that bobcat. All at once he grabbed that bobcat and kissed it right in the mouth. I saw him. When he got out of the cage, he didn't have any shirt on hardly, it was just in shreds. When they got him to the hospital in Hugo it took 200 stitches to sew him up. That cat hit him with all four feet and it was a bloody looking sight. But he did kiss it in the mouth. He won the bet. I've never heard of anybody else who wanted to do that."

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"What we need is more rope – the son of a gun still has one leg loose."

Staff members added to board

The West Central Texas Workforce Development Board is pleased to announce the addition of three new staff members. Lavonna Jay, Jennifer O'Dell, and Kenneth Sweat will serve as Information Technology Specialists. They will be responsible for providing direct technology support to Workforce Center staff throughout West Central Texas. Though Ms. Jay and Ms. O'Dell have been employed at the Workforce Center for several years, a recent restructuring in the Information Technology Department has moved them under the governance structure of the Workforce Board. Mr. Sweat graduated from Hawley High School and previously served as Information Technology Administrator for Funeral Directors Life Insurance Company in Abilene.

Supervising new staff will be Anson Kenley, Network Administrator for the West Central Texas Workforce Development Board.

For additional information, call Nancy Smith, Community Relations Coordinator at 325-795-4306 or by email at nancys@workforcesystem.org.

C-Court approves bleacher bid

Mitchell County Commissioners Court approved a bid Tuesday, Nov. 25, for one of the last major projects at the new County Sports Complex.

Commissioners Ed Roach, Carl Guelker, Wendy Inman and Bill Preston favored a proposal and low bid submitted by Browne Bros. Inc. of Colorado City for bleachers and benches at three baseball fields.

The bid of $22,878.08 was the lowest of three bids submitted. A fourth bid was received by fax and not accepted.

The bid included steel bleachers for the men's field, women's softball field and Little League field, and steel benches for the dugouts and scorers' tables.

Commissioners also stipulated that acceptance of the bid depends on architect Kelly Cook approving the shop drawings and the right to scrutinize the design.

Windi Fuller, executive director of the County Economic Development Board, said there will be 360 seats at the men's field, 180 seats at the women's field and 140 seats at the Little League field.

She said Browne Bros. has been given shop drawings of "what we expect. We want to make sure his work meets those shop drawings, or he can get some other ones to use that we can approve prior to construction. I think it will go pretty smoothly."

Fuller expects bleachers for the men's and women's fields will be installed in January.

"We can wait a little later for the Little League field," she said. "They don't start until late spring."

Fuller said other projects remaining at the sports complex include the playground equipment, sprigging grass around walkways and exteriors of the baseball fields, sodding the soccer field, and remaining irrigation.

Fuller said the sprigging will not be done until the spring when the soil temperature reaches the 60-degree range.

She said work is currently under way on the walking track around the complex's perimeter. The track is under a mile long.

After the track is completed, sidewalk and parking lot work is expected to be completed by the end of January.

"Those are the major portions we are still working on," Fuller said.

She said the men's and women's fields will be ready for use in February.

"They are essentially complete now," she said. "We haven't had any problems with the grass. It looks good."

She said they ordered an additional 10 percent of grass than they needed in case some of the grass that was planted did not take hold.

Fuller said they intend to use that 10 percent on the soccer field "so we do not have to purchase additional grass for the soccer field. We have already purchased it."

She said a maintenance building is scheduled to be constructed at the site.

"The whole park should be finished by late spring," she said.

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local news

Young bucks sport above average antlers

If anything has been a surprise to Randy Bullard this deer season, it is antler development and body size of white-tailed bucks.

Rainfall received early in the year generated vegetation that not only provided cover for deer this season, but an abundance of food that improved antler growth and deer weighing more than in past seasons.

"Hunters seem to be doing good, and happy with what they are seeing," said the Mitchell County game warden. "They seem to be seeing some really good antler growth particularly on the young deer."

Bullard said he has aged 1 1/2- and 2 1/2-year-old bucks "carrying antlers that you would normally see on 3 1/2 and 4 1/2-year-old deer.

"I have seen 8-point bucks that are a year-and-a-half old. We're seeing some good antler growth due to the good range conditions we've had this year."

While the improved antler growth sparks enthusiasm and interest, Bullard said antlers on younger bucks is "tricking a few hunters."

"They're seeing 8- and 10-pointers they think are 3 1/2- and 4 1/2-year-old deer," Bullard said. "They turn out to be 1 1/2- and 2 1/2-year-old deer. The bucks are producing some pretty good antlers."

Bullard said erratic weather conditions are also playing a role in the deer kill this season.

"You go from 80-degree weather to a cold day and back to warm," he said. "It's up and down on the hunting. Things are going pretty good.

"The weather is keeping any kind of rhythm from getting established."

While quail hunters are "doing pretty good" at the outset of that season, Bullard said the biggest surprise of deer season is "just seeing some bigger antlers on younger deer. That's the only thing unusual.

"Points, spread ... just overall size of the antlers. You're seeing antlers on deer that you think are about a year older than what they actually are.

"They had plenty to eat when they were growing antlers. Hunters are having to show a little more restraint and not get so keyed on those antlers, thinking that it could be a good buck when it's a very young buck.

"That means the older, more mature deer are going to be producing some good antlers. The antlers are that good this year."

When spotting a buck, Bullard said hunters need to take a closer look before pulling the trigger.

"They need to look at the body of the deer a little closer," he said, "and not key so much on the antlers. Try to ID the age of the deer by the body size.

"The young deer have a slender look more like a doe running around with antlers. A slender body, slender neck, long legs ... a juvenile deer."

Bullard said hunters can identify a mature buck by its body size, swayback, pot belly, heavy neck and short-legged appearance.

"Hunters are happy with the deer they are killing," Bullard said. "They're just a little surprised the deer turns out to be younger than what they thought due to what I think is just excellent antler growth this year.

"I think for the overall body quality and antler growth this is one of our better years without a doubt."

Bullard said hunters are also bagging more bucks with the rut in progress.

He said it started in mid-November and "I think it has peaked. It usually ends around November 20. It's on schedule this year."

Bullard said the Thanksgiving holiday also brings more hunters to Mitchell County.

He said hunters are "already in camp. A lot come in and hunt Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, go home for Thanksgiving, and maybe come back for the weekend. It's a pretty busy week."

Bullard said quail hunting has been good, but "it tends to slow down later in the season. The birds are a little harder to find. You start getting more predation on the birds.

"Quail hunting is usually the best at the start of the season."

Heidi Harris at CC Quality Meats in Colorado City said 18 deer, including nine bucks, were brought in Friday through Monday,

She said carcass weights are running 80 to 100 pounds.

She said 84 deer have been brought in so far this season. "The past few seasons we have gotten around 200 deer each season," she said.

Lisa Rich at 7 Wells Deer Processing south of Colorado City said nine deer, including seven bucks, were brought in this past weekend.

For the season, 82 deer have been brought in for processing.

LAKE

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and 190,000 red drum fingerlings.

Van Zee said bluegills are stocked as forage fish, but "they can develop as a fishery, too. They attain a nice size from 6 to 9 inches. They are very good eating."

Van Zee said lakes hit hard by the golden algae have the top priority for stocking.

He said there are plans to stock largemouth bass in 2004 "if we can get through the winter without golden algae problems."

Golden algae surfaces when cold weather arrives and drops water temperature.

Van Zee said technicians from the San Angelo office continue to test Lake Colorado City's water monthly for any golden algae toxicity.

Water samples taken Nov. 7 showed the cell counts of golden algae at 7,000 per milliliter compared to a cell count of 51,500 from samples taken Nov. 5, 2002.

"That's a good low number," he said.

The highest count recorded was 298,00 cell counts per milliliter.

Van Zee said the Oct. 14 water sample showed the cell count climbing to 13,000.

He said the count showed the water to be "in the slightly toxic range, but the lake received some rain and possibly why we saw an increase in the nutrients."

"Right now, the lake is in better shape than it was last year at this time," Van Zee said. "The cell count has dropped and that is a good sign.

"If we get a cell count that is under 20,000, we are doing good. The lake doesn't become toxic then.

"We are hoping the lake won't go toxic this winter, but that is yet to be seen. Three critical months are still ahead -- December, January and February."

The next water sample will be taken in mid-December.

Van Zee said he will turn in his stocking requests in December.

"You can ask everything you can for the lake, but additional stocking depends on this winter," he said. "If we can get through this winter, we will definitely get the bass for stocking.

"We may try to bring some crappie in. We will wait until next spring.

"Right now, it's wait and see what happens the next three months."

Local Holiday Events sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce

Christmas Parade and Festival of Trees

The parade and Festival of Trees will be held Dec. 6. Plan now for your church, club, organization or individual family to enter a float, bicycle, car or anything that catches your fancy. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

Gingerbread Contest

A very special event will take place on Saturday, Dec. 6. There will be a gingerbread contest. It is called "Gingerbread Creations". You can make anything you want from gingerbread and other ingredients as long as everything is edible. There will be two categories: Youth and Adult. Awards will be given for most creative, most unique and best of show. Entries should be turned in between the hours of 8 to 10 a.m. on Saturday morning. The entries will be judged and displayed when the doors open for the Festival of Trees and refreshments after the parade.

Christmas Ball

The first annual Christmas Ball will be held December 6 featuring music by Jody Nix. We prefer the ladies wear dresses or dressy pants and the gentlemen will dance without hats. In order to have enough dance floor, only 230 tickets will be sold. The tickets are $15 each.

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local news

Wish Trees on display at local banks

Christmas is nearing and the Mitchell County Child Welfare Board is seeking donations to help make Christmas a brighter, happier occasion for Mitchell County children in foster care.

"Wish Trees" will be displayed at local community banks beginning November 28, 2003. Adorning the wish trees are wishing stars and pre-addressed/stamped envelopes. As a donor, you may select a "star" from the tree and purchase the gift that the foster child is wishing to receive. Or, you may select a pre-addressed/stamped envelope from the wish tree and mail a monetary donation to the Mitchell County Child Welfare Board. On December 19, 2003, the wish trees will be collected and all donations delivered to the Child Welfare Board at 440 E. 2nd Street will be distributed to the foster children.

Members of the Mitchell County Child Welfare Board meet monthly to discuss, review, and evaluate the needs of Mitchell County foster children. As of Monday, November 17, 2003, there are 17 foster children, ranging in ages from one month old to 18 years of age. Children in foster care have needs that extend beyond the holiday season. If you would like to learn more about how to help our children, please contact Nikki Shiller at 728-2650. Any persons/civic organizations adopting a foster child for the 2004 new year will be recognized in April, "Child Abuse Awareness" month.

For further information, other local members may be contacted: Mary Reyes at 728-2755, Micki Hernandez at 737-2919, Leslie Scott at 728-3326 or Eva Salinas at 737-2692.

Supply and demand play role in rise of gas prices this winter

The cost to keep warm this winter could be higher than last year if natural gas prices increase across the nation. The price of natural gas depends on the balance between supply and demand, which can be affected by the severity of the weather and economic activity, according to energy experts.

To ensure customers are not caught by surprise, TXU Gas is sending out a notice in its November gas bills. Also included in this notice are energy-saving recommendations and information about TXU Average Billing, a free service that makes bills more predictable every month.

"Providing reliable service at a reasonable cost is our commitment to our customers," said Randell Ward, TXU Gas Manager.

Natural gas prices, just as with any other commodity, are subject to supply and demand. over the past few years, we as a nation have not seen a significant increase in our supply as demand has increased, Ward said.

TXU Gas manages the cost of natural gas through a mix of long-term contracts, purchases on the spot market and placing natural gas in storatge for use during peak winter days. "This minimizes the impact of price changes on our customers and ensures that we have an ample supply of natural gas," Ward said.

A customer's bill is based primarily on how much gas is used and the cost to purchase the gas.

Ward said that TXU Gas customers can take control over their winter gas bills by lowering their thermostats, having their finances and other appliances checked for operating efficiency and considering TXU Average Billing, which spreads the higher winter bills over 12 months.

TXU Gas customers can sign up for TXU Average Billing by calling 1-800-460-3030. Customers can find more tips on how to save money on their gas bill by visiting www.txugas.com.

POLICE REPORT

OFFENSES

- On Tuesday, November 18, 2003 at about 5:18 p.m., Misty Card, 23 year-old female, 1801 Delaney Circle reports Theft. A red and yellow Huffy bicycle with training wheels was stolen from her front porch during the nighttime. The bicycle was valued at $40.00. A suspect has been identified. The bicycle was recovered and returned to the owner on November 19, 2003. Charges of Theft have been filed in Municipal Court. Investigating Officer: Torres
- On Wednesday, November 19, 2003 at about 9:39 a.m. Darron Emerson, 30 year-old male, 1808 Delaney Circle was arrested at Relax Inn, 1041 Westpoint Avenue for Possession of Controlled Substance – Cocaine. Approximately 35 "rocks" of Crack Cocaine were recovered. Emerson was transferred into the custody of the Mitchell County Jail. Investigating Officer: Torres, assisted by Chief Deputy Mike Redwine and Deputy Chris Adames.
- On Wednesday, November 19, 2003 at about 10:16 a.m. Colorado ISD (AEP) 534 E. 11th Street reported a student smoking marijuana. Investigation led to the recovery of some marijuana paraphernalia from a juvenile male student. The student was subsequently charged with Possession of Marijuana Paraphernalia in Municipal Court. Investigating Officer: Torres
- On Thursday, November 20, 2003 at about 3:23 p.m., Gas-N-Grub Convenience Store, 1001 S. Hwy 208, reports Forgery. On or about November 10, 2003 a forged check belonging to Shawn Keen, 1407 Smithwoods Lane, Hickory Grove, SC was passed to the store. Estimated Loss: $297.00. A suspect has been identified and investigation is continuing. Investigating Officer: Torres

ACCIDENTS

- On Wednesday, November 19, 2003 at about 4:38 p.m. a collision occurred at 6th and Hickory Streets. A white 1985 Chevrolet 4-door driven by Annie Lee, 50 year-old female, 1107 Nicalosa Street was traveling eastbound on 6th Street and Failed to Yield Right of Way from the stop sign. A tan 1997 Ford pickup driven by Jody Clark, 30 year-old male, 6317 CR 149 was southbound on Hickory Street. The vehicles collided in the intersection. Mrs. Lee was taken to the Mitchell County Hospital by ambulance for examination and treatment of possible injuries. Vehicle damage is described as moderate; both vehicles were driven from the scene. Investigating Officer: Heine

MARKET REPORT

Colorado City Livestock
Market Report
November 19, 2003

Receipts: 806 Hd.

Market was active. Demand good on 806 head of cattle. Market on feeder and stocker calves and yearlings was $3 to $6 higher than previous week. Bred cows $20 to $40 higher. Pairs steady on very light test. Packer cows and bulls steady to $1 higher.

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HEIFERS	
200-300 lbs.	$107.00-$120.00
300-400	$95.00-$115.00
400-500	$95.00-$106.00
500-600	$92.00-$100.00
600-750	$82.00-$92.50
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Phillipians 2:5-11

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

This column is a service to all area congregations. The information provided will hopefully encourage people to attend a congregation of their choice. It will also help people new to our area and those contemplating a move to our area to know what a wonderful, active religious community we have.

First Baptist Church

All Wednesday evening activities are cancelled this week (Nov. 26) due to the holiday.

Sunday Worship Times: 9:45 a.m. Worship Service; 10:55 a.m. Worship Service; 6:00 p.m. Evening Service

Normal Wednesday Activities:
Ages 3 yrs-6th grade: 5:30 p.m. Supper; 6:00 p.m. JAM; 6:45 p.m. RA's, GA's, Mission Friends

Adults: Prayer Meeting and Bible Study at 6 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church - Loraine

Located on Lightfoot Street in Loraine

Worship Times: Sunday 9:45 a.m. Bible Study; 10:45 a.m. Worship Service; 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Wednesday evening services start at 6:00 p.m. for Adult Bible Study. Teen Kids for all youth starts at 6:30 p.m. They have games, Bible Study and refreshments. We observed the Lord's Supper this past Sunday. Thanksgiving songs were sung and good fellowship was felt by all.

First Christian Church

Our Pastor, Monte Wike, spoke at the Community Thanksgiving service held at New Life Bible Ministries. He reports that attendance was great and everyone had super fellowship time! Thank you to all the ladies and congregations who brought cookies and helped with refreshments.

First United Methodist Church

Sunday, November 30th evening schedule for youth:
Mid High Youth gather at 5:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for fellowship and a meal hosted by Mike and Janna Ratliff. At 6:00 p.m. the Mid High Youth will study world views of youth and what God wants our youth to be with Lorianne Toombs. The High School youth will be continuing their study of world religions with Pastor Monte Kreis. Praise and Worship Service on Sunday evening the 30th will be in the Fellowship Hall. Chancel Choir will meet at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary under the direction of David Jones.

Please contact Dee at 728-3804 every Monday by 3 p.m with weekly updates for your congregation. You can also email her at dabsky@wtxs.net. Thank you for your support.

Campbell to speak at meeting

The Mitchell County Extension Program Council's annual meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, at the C.C. Thompson Room of the City National Bank Annex.

State Rep. Scott Campbell of San Angelo will be the featured speaker.

Campbell will review the 2003 Legislature, review the redistricting session and give a preview of the 2005 Legislature and how it will impact rural Texans.

A catered meal will be served. Those planning to attend are asked to phone the Extension office at 728-3111 by noon Monday, Dec. 2, so a meal count can be made for the caterer.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT Maral Ilyosova accepts a certificate of appreciation from Lion second vice-president Mike Nichols while Lion program chairman Bob Brookshear (l) looks on. Ilyasova is from Turkmenistan and spoke to the organization about her country.

Foreign Exchange student speaks to local Lions Club

To say that Loraine foreign exchange student Maral Ilyasova is being kept busy, and making the most out of her 10-month stay in the United States in an understatement

Almost from the day she stepped off the airplane in Dallas on Saturday, August 16, she has been kept busy with some kind of activities.

Arriving in Loraine on Sunday, August 17 with her host family, Carl and Sandy Graham, she immediately had to get ready for the first day of school which was Monday, August 18.

After registration and getting her school supply list on the first day of school, it was off to do some shopping for school supplies.

Once the school routine was established, things began to almost become normal--for a teenage girl anyway.

In order to meet the FLEX (Future Leaders Exchange Program) course requirements, the 16-year old sophomore is taking some classes with juniors and seniors as well as her sophomore classmates.

FLEX students are selected in a different way than most foreign exchange student programs. While some programs require the student's parents to foot the bill to get the student to and from the United States.

In the FLEX program students are selected by their grades and what activities they are involved in away from school.

The grading system is also somewhat different from the United States with a rating of 1 to 5, with a 5 as the highest a student can obtain.

The selection process begins almost a year in advance with the student and sponsor having to put together a folder with recommendations from the students teachers, counselors, or others of which may know her.

Students from her home country of Turkmenistan complete high school after the 9th grade. After completion of high school some students go on to do college work.

Maral set her goals high early on in life. She intends on one day becoming a diplomat or an ambassador for her country. The FLEX program is helping her obtain that goal by learning the cultures and lifestyles of American families.

For now she is busy with basketball, playing on the Loraine junior varsity team. Before coming to the United States she had never played the game. Under the guidance of her coaches, Clayton Harris and Gloria Lucas, she is picking the game up very quickly. She plans on teaching the young children of her country the basics of the game upon her return to Turkmenistan.

When she has any spare time, which is seldom at this time, she practices on her piano playing which won her five awards in her country. She has played since she was six years old.

She has also been speaking English since she was six as well. Her mother is an English teacher while her father is retired military who now is an engineer. She has a 15-year old brother who has won several awards in mathematics and physics.

As part of the requirements of the FLEX program, the student must complete some type of community service such as speaking at civic organizations or some other type of community involvement.

As for now, she wants to be involved in everything she can. She was the sophomore class representative for homecoming queen, is a member of the student council, class representative, and a member of the basketball team.

She is looking forward to the upcoming holidays and observing them with her host family.

"It is lots of fun to decorate the Christmas tree and do shopping for family and friends," she said. "In my country we do our celebration when the new year comes. That is when Father Frost comes."

After returning to Turkmenistan in June, Maral has a goal of returning to the United States to attend college. For some reason, we feel that goal will be met like all her other ones.

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COOK'S CORNER

With Thanksgiving this week, many of us will have extra turkey left over. This week we found three left-over turkey recipes that sound good and hopefully you want have to waste any turkey.

TURKEY CASSEROLE DELIGHT

2 cups uncooked macaroni
1/4 cup butter
1 1/2 cups chopped celery
1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper
1/2 cup chopped onion
2 cans cream of chicken soup
2/3 cup milk
2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
1 1/2 to 2 cups cooked chopped turkey
1 jar (4 oz.) chopped pimiento, drained
1/2 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg
1/2 cup toasted sliced almonds*

Cook and drain macaroni, following package directions. Meanwhile, in a medium saucepan, melt butter over medium-low heat. Add celery, green pepper, and onion; cook until tender. Blend in soup, milk and shredded cheese. Cook, stirring, until cheese is melted. Combine cheese mixture with macaroni, pimiento, turkey, salt and nutmeg.

Transfer to a buttered 3 quart casserole; top with toasted almonds. Bake at 350° for 30 minutes, until hot and bubbly.

*To toast nuts, spread out in a single layer on a baking sheet. Toast in a 350° oven, stirring occasionally, for 10 to 15 minutes. Or, toast in an ungreased skillet over medium heat, stirring, until golden brown and aromatic.

TURKEY POT PIE

1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen peas and carrots
1/3 cup margarine
1/3 cup all-purpose flour
1/3 cup chopped onion
1/2 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. pepper
1 3/4 cups turkey or chicken broth
2/3 cup milk
2 1/2 to 3 cups cut-up turkey
Pastry for 9" two crust pie

Rinse frozen peas and carrots under running cold water to separate; drain. Heat margarine in 2-quart saucepan over low heat until melted. Stir in flour, onion, salt and pepper. Cook, stirring constantly, until mixture is bubbly; remove from heat. Stir in broth and milk. Heat to boiling, stirring constantly. Boil and stir 1 minute. Stir in turkey and vegetables.

Prepare pastry. Roll 2/3 of the pastry into a 13" square; ease into ungreased square pan (9x9"). Pour turkey mixture into pastry-lined pan. Roll remaining pastry into 11 inch square; cut out designs with small cookie cutter. Place square over filling; turn edges under and flute. Bake in 425° oven until golden brown, about 35 minutes.

AFTER-THE-HOLIDAY CREAMED TURKEY

3/4 stick butter or margarine
1/4 cup flour
4 cups turkey broth
1 sm. can evaporated milk
1 can cream of mushroom soup
3 cups diced turkey
3 hard-cooked eggs, grated

Once the meat is off the bones of the turkey, make a broth by boiling the bones in 2 quarts of water for 30 minutes. Remove the bones and strain.

Over medium heat, melt the butter in a pot. Do not brown. Stir in the flour then the broth, milk and soup. Cook until thickened. Add the turkey and eggs. Let simmer for 15 to 20 minutes. Serve on toast or over rice.

SOUPER RICE AND TURKEY

2 (10.75 oz.) cream of mushroom soup
3 cups water
3 cups uncooked coverted white rice
1 cup thinly sliced celery
1 cup cubed cooked turkey
2 cups frozen peas and carrots, or a frozen oriental vegetable mix
1 tsp. poultry seasoning
1 Tbsp. minced onion

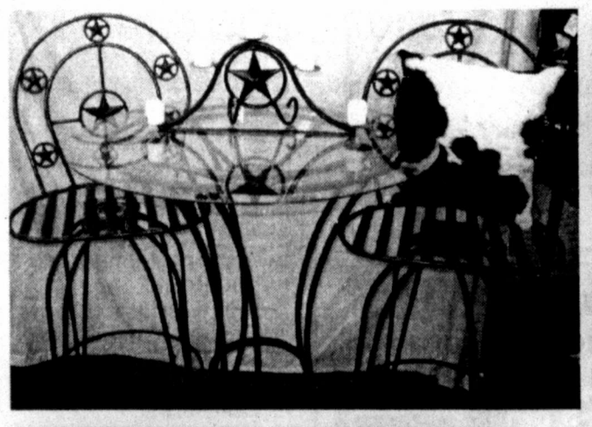
Pour soup and water into crockpot and mix. Add remaining ingredients and stir. Cook 6 to 8 hours on low or 3 to 4 hours on high. Add soy sauce is desired.

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school news



HUTCHINSON MIDDLE SCHOOL'S Adopt-A-Lot project -- Heritage Park -- is taking shape at a rapid pace. A wooden replica of the Round Top Cafe was built by offenders from the Wallace and Ware prison units last week and the original round top was delivered to the site, with equipment and manpower provided by different companies. Students and teachers stopping in for a first-hand look are, kneeling, left to right, Andrew Munoz, Dylan Gainey, Sebastian Turner, Corbin Castillo, Frankie Gaona and Sydney Upshaw; standing, left to right, are Hutchinson Principal Kitten Arthur, teachers Nova Dea, Catherine Gainey, Charlotte Upshaw and Susan Anderson, and student Courtney Sutton.

Historic Round Top Cafe finds home at Heritage Park

The old Round Top Cafe has finally found a home.

A wooden replica of the cafe and the original Round Top that resembles a Hershey's Kiss is now located at Heritage Park, but not fully assembled.

Offenders from the Wallace and Ware prison units erected the building last week, and finished inside work, while several companies provided equipment and manpower to move the metal Round Top to Heritage Park from a location off Oak Street on Wednesday, Nov. 19.

Three sidewalks work were also completed at the site last week. Hutchinson Middle School adopted the site as part of the Beautification Action Team's Adopt-A-Lot project.

Hutchinson Principal Kitten Arthur said the building needs additional work while the Round Top will be painted red.

Arthur said the cafe was originally located on a triangular-shaped island where 2nd and Austin streets intersect.

She said finding a permanent home for the Round Top has been a long-term project for Kiwaniannes Joy Morris and Jan Lemons for the past 11 years.

"The Round Top Cafe was originally moved by the Kiwaniannes," Arthur said. "Joy and Jan have been working on trying to find a new home for the Round Top."

Arthur said the replica building has the same dimensions as the original, but "in its additional form, it had a kitchen area they added to the back."

When the property was purchased for an automobile dealership, "they had to move the Round Top. These ladies took over and raised about $1,000 to save the Round Top," Arthur said. "There were only three Round Top cafes built. One is in Sweetwater, one in Colorado City and one in Big Spring."

Arthur said, "There is great debate about whether or not the Round Top actually turned. Some people say it actually rotated on the axis. A lot of people said no that it was just the lights that went around it made it look as though it turned.

"The original mechanism looks like it may have been designed to turn."

Arthur said the Kiwaniannes had a Texas Department of Criminal Justice offender measure the original cafe building before it was torn down in the early 1990s.

The offender then reconstructed the sides. "The sides have been staying at the city barn all this time," she said.

The Round Top sat at the site off Oak Street for at least 10 to 11 years "waiting for someone to save it."

The Kiwaniannes encountered several roadblocks when trying to find a permanent home for the Round Top Cafe.

"Last year when our kids decided to build Heritage Park, the kids came up with six different designs for the park," Arthur said. "All of them had a gazebo in it. They all wanted a gazebo of some sort.

"So I got to thinking about the Round Top as a gazebo, plus it would be historic."

Arthur contacted Morris and Lemons regarding their plans for the Round Top.

"They said we know what you're thinking," she said. "The club and Kiwaniannes did vote to give the Round Top to Hutchinson."

Arthur credits TDCJ offenders' help with Heritage Park's infrastructure, along with Jeff Potter's work with the Round Top forms and concrete slab.

She said a $5,000 donation from Ken Simmons and $1,000 donation from Charles King helped pay for the sidewalks.

Rick Carver, Colorado City's Public Works Director, brought the forms and original sides from the city barn.

"When they got here, we discovered that instead of having 12 sides, it only had 11 that were built," Arthur said. "We decided to leave it open on four sides. We decided not to put any glass back in it. We are going to keep the four doorways open."

The original building had front and back doorways.

The metal Round Top still has to be placed atop the building.

"It was a monumental task to bring the Round Top," Arthur said. "The next step is the sandblasting and priming and painting.

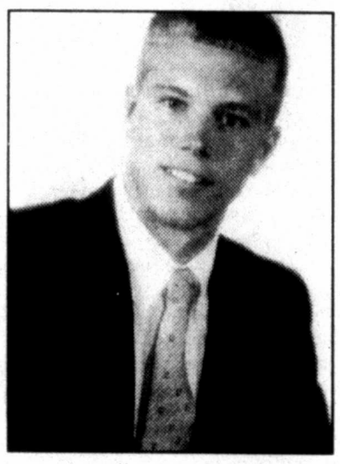
"The kids are going to paint the building and start landscaping in the spring. The last major thing when we will need more adult help is when we lay our brick pathway.

"I hope we can have a grand opening at the end of this school year."



THIRD-GRADERS AT HUTCHINSON Elementary School decorated the hallway for Thanskgiving with the drawing of a large turkey surrounded by the hands of at least 80 students and third-grade teachers. Student teacher Alison Alvarez, left, of Colorado City, launched the project. Kenadee Williams, left, and Bethany Toombs were among students taking part the week before classes were dismissed for the Thanksgiving holidays. Alvarez is a student at Angelo State University. She completes her assignment Dec. 12.

Grisham honored at Texas A&M



Drex Grisham

Justin Drex Grisham of Friendswood, Texas, accepted membership in the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and will be honored during a campus ceremony this fall at Texas A&M University.

The National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS) is a highly selective, national, nonprofit honors organization. Founded in 1994, NSCS recognizes first and second year undergraduate students who excel academically.

The Society was established on the principle that with scholarship comes a responsibility to develop leadership and a duty to perform service.

"NSCS provides the opportunity for students, like Justin, to be recognized for their outstanding academic accomplishments early in their college experience," said Steve Loflin, NSCS Executive Director. "Justin will also have the opportunity to join other high achieving college students in developing leadership skills and a sense of civic responsibility."

Grisham is a 2001 graduate of Clear Brook High School. He is the son of Drex and Sharon Grisham of Friendswood and grandson of Dowis Atkins of San Leon and Frances Grisham of Colorado City. He is also the nephew of DeLynn Hackfeld and Ranee Dawson.

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EIGHT LORAINE HIGH SCHOOL students are tutoring students from pre-kindergarten through sixth-grade as part of the mentor-tutor program being funded through the Fisher County Hospital. Seated, left to right, are Amanda Aguilar, Lucy Rico, and Maral Ilyosova; standing, left to right, are student adviser Jill Teran, Stacy Parham, Chris Sanchez, Krystal Sanchez and April Bailey. Not pictured is Valerie Gonzalez.

New program in Loraine ISD benefits tutors, students

A Fisher County Hospital grant is allowing eight Loraine High School students to work on their teaching skills and get paid for it at the same time.

The mentor-tutor program is among a list of new programs and services offered to Loraine Independent School District students that trustees were told about during their November meeting.

Student adviser Jill Teran also gave trustees an outline of continued services and upcoming programs, but the abstinence education mentor-tutor project is impacting more students.

Teran said the tutor program is "one facet of the Fisher County grant," providing $3,900 to pay students.

The students are paid $5 per hour and work from six to 40 hours per month, tutoring students in pre-kindergarten through sixth-grade, and also working with the after-school program.

The eight students, who agreed to follow certain terms of the grant and also filled out job applications are Lucy Rico, Amanda Aguilar, Chris Sanchez, Maral Ilyosova, Valerie Gonzales, Krystal Sanchez, April Bailey and Stacy Parham.

Teran said the mentor-tutor program allows "our students to work with elementary-age students after school tutoring and mentoring them.

"Teachers have identified various students who need help. Either they are failing, at risk, or need the extra assistance. They stay after school on various days.

"Some of them stay three days a week, some stay one day a week, some stay two days a week. In our after-school program, they stay five days a week."

Teran said the mentor-tutor program was launched "because there was money set aside to pay these kids if they wanted to tutor,"

Teran said the grant stipulated that "they had to agree to live healthy livestyles, including abstinence from drugs, alcohol and sexual promiscuity. They have to commit to that.

"I said you can apply for it. These are the guidelines for the applications. You are saying that as a role model I am going to live a healthy lifestyle, and I am not going to be ashamed of it, basically."

Teran said the eight students are also involved in basketball, cheerleading and other school activities.

Teran said Loraine school provides an "official tutorial period from 3:10 to 4 p.m. where extracurricular activities are secondary to tutoring.

"Students primarily work from 3:15 to 4. Several of them work in the after-school program, which is designed to help parents who can't get off work until 5:30 or 6.

"Kids asssigned to that work Monday through Friday. Some will work until 6 o'clock, or until the last child is picked up.

"It's the same group. If they want to work Monday through Friday, I put them in the after-school program.

"The other ones who have less time are scheduled Monday through Wednesday from 3:15 to 4. All are considered tutors-mentors. I have several kids doing different things."

The eight work with different students at different locations. "Their schedules vary."

"So far, the response has been very positive," Teran said. "Several of the eight students want to be teachers, so it's giving them some good practical experience on what it takes to work with a child who is struggling.

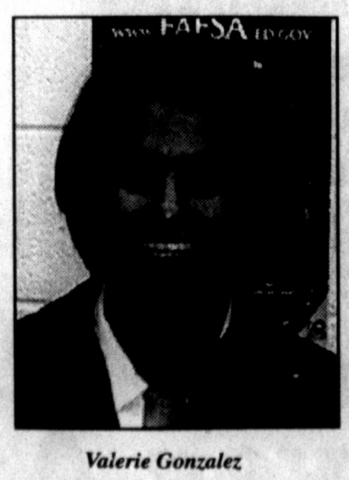
"And how one day I am working with one student, and the next day I am working with the next. They are seeing the learning differences. It's posing some good learning situtations for the student and the mentor."

Teran said giving younger students the chance to work with high school students "makes them that much more of a role model. They develop a personal relationship. They have someone to look up to."

She said the students have helped counsel other students who may have become involved in a dispute or disagreement.

"They counsel them on behavior and not just academics," she said. "Acting right and doing the right thing.

"I am pleased with it. I think the mentors are benefitting and the students being tutored are benefitting."



Valerie Gonzalez

Hutchinson lists honor rolls

Hutchinson Elementary has released the honor roll lists for the second six weeks of the 2003-2004 school year.

A Honor Roll

Third grade - Raegan Costabile, Sallie Dill, Daniel Dillon, Hannah Duddleston, Vanna George, Jake Johnson, Darian Lendermon, Marinea Lopez, Alex Nobles, Whitney Ortiz, Blythe Rutherford, Hope Sanchez, Kristina Sundy, Samantha Thomson, and Sean Williamson.

Fourth grade - Kristi Barnett, Heather Barrera, Juan Beltran, Alyssa Bonner, Megan Bullard, Ashli Cooper, Damian Davila, Derek Gainey, Taylor Harris, Marisela Hernandez, Kalea Hubbard, Lauren Meeks, Kaley Molina, Shelby Molina, Ann Marie Morrison, Miranda Reyna, Jason Rodriquez, and K'Leigh Wallis.

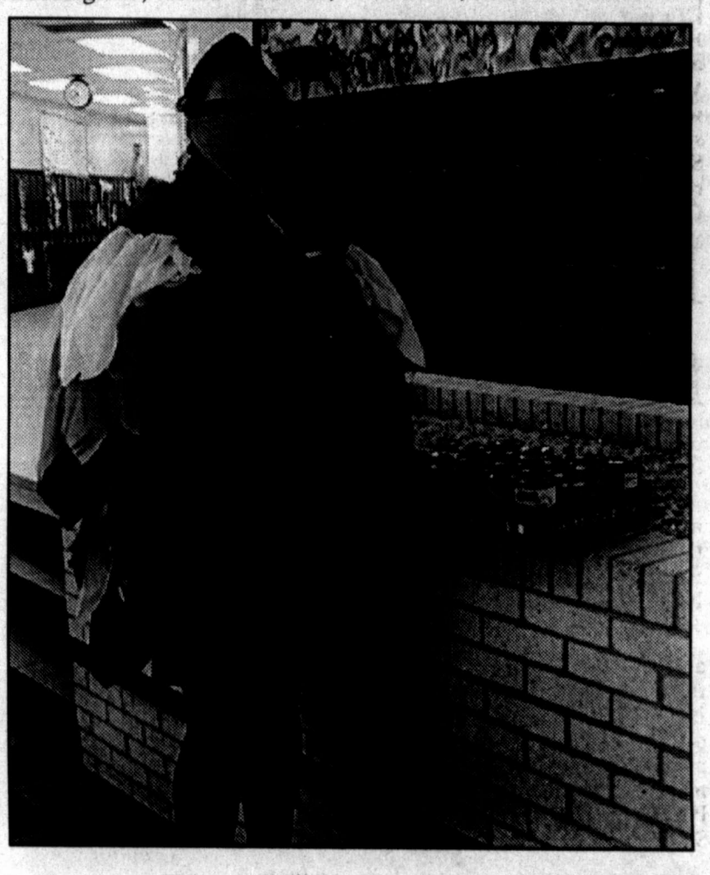
Fifth grade - Erin Graham, Daniel Hammond, Andrew Munoz, Xavier Pineda, Nick Reyna, Brittanie Styron, and Courtney Sutton.

A-B Honor Roll

Third grade - Arden Alvarez, Crystal Alvarez, Koe Alvarez, Kirk Arms, Alfredo Bueno, Christian Cantu, Felisha Carver, Corbin Castillo, Leslie Davila, Joshua Diaz, Shea Duncan, Destyne Gaona, Kristine Gaona, Gabriel Gutierrez, Cody Haltom, Lexi Hopper, Joshua Hulme, Anna Lara, Jordan Leija, Jordan Lenderman, Corbin Lewis, Olivia Luera, Cortney Martinez, Brandon McFall, Christian Melendez, Micah Minkina, Brent Morris, Hayden Redwine, Cutter Rees, Simon Reyes, Aaron Rivera, Kelly Salazar, Alyssa Stanford, Tommy Stanley, Ashlea Stone, Sebastian Turner, Brittany Vasquez, and Kenadee Williams.

Fourth grade - Ashley Alaniz, Tyler Adkins, Christopher Beltran, Dylan Billingsley, Diane Blake, Bethany Blassingame, Sean Casey, Trevunn Chambers, Haley Cogburn, Neal Denson, Jadrian Dominguez, Alexia Espinoza, Stephen Flores, Frankie Gaona, Matthew Guerra, Jessica Hampton, Jeffery Hickson, Benny Jones, Casie Lemons, Will McKinney, Aaron Mendoza, Seth Moore, Matt Potter, Anthony Rivera, Emily Rivera, Alex Salazar, Ross Salmon, Kendra Tillis, Sydney Upshaw, Gladis Ventura, and Monseis Ybarra.

Fifth grade - Amanda Arispe, Christina Arispe, Sarah Beddingfield, Audra Calderon, Kimberly Chaney, Alexandria Espinoza, Kyler Free, Joel Gaona, Michael Hernandez, Katherine Hickson, Kayley Hill, J.C. Johnson, Nick Kaucher, Emma Leanos, Christina Lujan, Ava Macedo, Chris Madrid, Tiffany Martinez, Tim Miller, Kimberly Pfeuffer, Landon Pfeuffer, Tyler Plagens, Ryan Rivera, Christian Rodriguez, Tracy Russell, Joe Salazar, Lacey Santana, Angel Silva, Hunter Venable, Valeria Vera, Bradee Williams, and Isaac Yanez.



CHS TEACHER Holly Turnbough was the "winner" of a food collection contest held the last two weeks at the high school. Students voted by bringing canned food and depositing it in the box of the teacher they most wanted to see in a turkey costume. In all, CHS students brought in over 500 cans of food which will go to needy families in the county. Ms. Turnbough sported her turkey costume in good spirit Friday.

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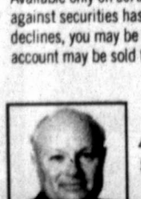
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SCHOOL MENUS

Colorado ISD
Kelley, Hutchinson and Middle School
Breakfast Men8
December 1-5

Monday - Dry cereal w/toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast pizza, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast pocket, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - Breakfast taco, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - Sausage w/toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Colorado ISD
Kelley and Hutchinson
Lunch Menu
December 1-5

Monday - Pizza, green beans, glazed carrots, pears, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Burrito w/cheese, spanish rice, black-eyed peas, applesauce, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Chicken pot pie, mashed potatoes, corn, hot rolls, pineapple tidbits, choice of milk.

Thursday - Chili dog on a bun, tater tots, pickle spears, peaches, choice of milk.

Friday - Hamburger on a bun, french fries, lettuce cup, apple cobbler, choice of milk.

Colorado ISD
Middle School
Lunch Menu
December 1-5

Monday - Pizza, french fries, green beans, pineapple tidbits, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Beef n mac, garlic toast, glazed carrots, mixed fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Chicken nuggets, potatoes w/gravy, golden corn, hot rolls, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday - Burrito w/cheese, spanish rice, spicy pintos, peaches, choice of milk.

Friday - Garden salad, hamburger basket, french fries, lettuce cup, apple crisp, choice of milk.

Colorado ISD
High School
Breakfast Menu
December 1-5

Monday - Assorted cereal w/toast, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Assorted cereal w/toast, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Assorted cereal w/toast, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - Assorted cereal w/toast, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - Assorted cereal w/toast, sausage & biscuit, breakfast sandwich, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Colorado ISD
High School
Lunch Menu
December 1-5

Monday - Chicken patty on a bun, pizza, french fries, green beans, pineapple tidbits, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Grilled ham & cheese, beef n mac, garlic toast, glazed carrots, mixed fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Parmesan sandwich, baked chicken, potatoes w/gravy, golden corn, hot rolls, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday - C-City philly sandwich, burrito w/cheese, spanish rice, spicy pintos, peaches, choice of milk.

Friday - Garden salad, hamburger basket, french fries, lettuce cup, apple crisp, choice of milk.

Loraine ISD
Breakfast Menu
December 1-5

Monday - Cereal, toast, fruit, milk.

Tuesday - Pizza, juice, milk.

Wednesday - Sausage, toast, fruit, milk.

Thursday - Honey bun, toast, juice, milk.

Friday - Oatmeal, toast, fruit, milk.

Loraine ISD
Lunch Menu
December 1-5

Monday - Spaghetti w/meat, corn on cob, sweet peas, biscuit, fruit, milk.

Tuesday - Fiesta salad, dressing, salsa, apple, cookies, milk.

Wednesday - Corn dog, mustard, tater tots, pork n beans, ketchup, pears, milk.

Thursday - Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread, peaches, milk.

Friday - Rib on bun, chili beans, onion rings, orange, milk.

Westbrook ISD
Breakfast Menu
December 1-5

Monday - Cereal, toast, jelly, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - Cinnamon rolls, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday - Sausage, biscuits, jelly, fruit juice, milk.

Thursday - Pancake on stick, fruit juice, milk.

Friday - Dry cereal, toast, jelly, fruit juice, milk.

Westbrook ISD
Lunch Menu
December 1-5

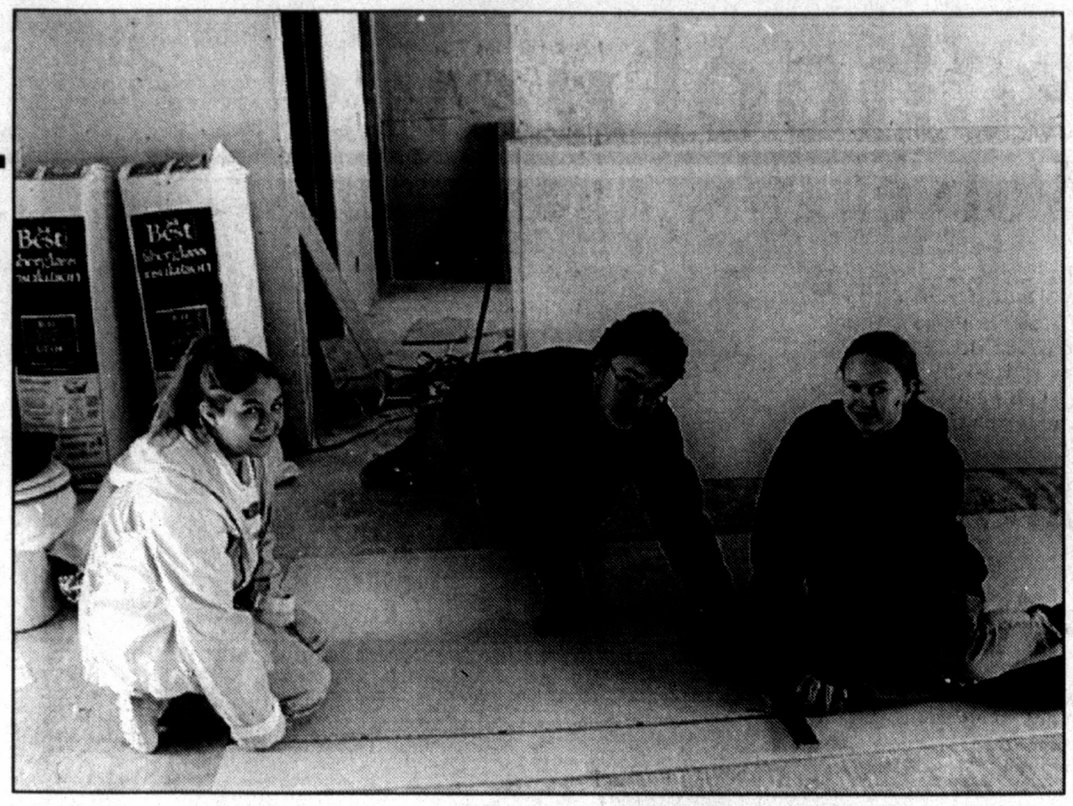
Monday - Chicken strips, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, hot rolls, honey, milk.

Tuesday - Tacos with cheese, salsa, corn, lettuce, tomatoes, brownies, pears, milk.

Wednesday - Pizza, vegetable salad, peaches, milk.

Thursday - Stew, cornbread, black-eyed peas, banana pudding, milk.

Friday - Hamburgers w/cheese, french fries, vegetable fixings, cake, milk.



MEMBERS OF WESTBROOK'S Home Maintenance and Improvement class are currently remodeling a three-bedroom house as a class project. The home is located at 103 W. Hughes in Westbrook. Students have installed insulation and are working on the sheet rock for the walls under the supervision of their teacher, David Bray. Some students participating in the remodeling are: (l-r) Kathryn Kelly, Joe Ellenburg and Alicia Midwell. The students have been working on the house during class, as well as after school.



LORAINE INDEPENDENT School District students of the week are, front left, fifth-grader Elias Gonzales, and second-grader Laura Clements; standing left, sophomore Marcus Williams, and freshman Margarita Medina.



Mikayla Dillon, of Colorado City, participated in the American Spirit Championships Cheerleading competition held in Lubbock Saturday, November 15. She placed first in the Mini-Tot Division.

Perfect Attendance listed

Hutchinson Elementary has released the perfect attendance list for the second six weeks of the 2003-2004 school year.

Third grade - Christopher Alaniz, Arden Alvarez, Douglas Bell, Alfredo Bueno, Christian Cantu, Corbin Castillo, Shelby Cogburn, Leslie Davila, Josh Diaz, Sallie Dill, Daniel Dillon, Hannah Duddleston, Jaime Espinoza, Destyne Gaona, Kristine Gaona, Elsa Garcia, Vanna George, Robbie Gonzales, Gabriel Gutierrez, Cody Haltom, Lexi Hopper, Joshua Hulme, Jake Johnson, Tristian Lopez, Olivia Luera, Erica McCright, Brandon McFall, Alex Nobles, Whitney Ortiz, Cutter Rees, Simon Reyes, Aaron Rivera, Jacob Rizo, Abby Salas, Gustavo Silva, Jonathan Stiles, Ashlea Stone, Bethany Toombs, Sebastian Turner, and Brittany Vasquez.

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Wolves drop season opener

The Colorado Wolves, fresh off a playoff football game, lost their season opening basketball game to the Haskell Indians last Friday in Haskell.

Haskell jumped off to an 18-10 lead which the Wolves would not be able to recover from.

The Indians increased their lead to 40-27 at half-time.

The Wolves were paced by Jacobie Russell with 14 points. also in double figures was Chris Spear with 12, and Cole Arthur with 10.

The Wolves are now 0-1 on the season while Haskell moves to 2-0.

The JV Wolves won their contest by the score of 26-24.

Ladies lose to Haskell and Grape Creek to stay winless

The Colorado Lady Wolves remained winless at 0-2 after losing to the Haskell Lady Indians last Friday night in Haskell.

The girls trailed 15-5 at the end of the first quarter, and 40-18 at the end of the first half.

Haskell outscored the Lady Wolves 23-17 in the final half.

Leading the Lady Wolves attack was Amanda Guerra with eight points while Hannah Bassham put up seven.

On Monday night the Lady Wolves played Grape Creek with the girls losing 51-37 in action played at "The Pit".

The Lady Wolves led in the first quarter 12-11, but a 20-10 second quarter pushed Grape Creek ahead 31-22.

The third quarter spelled doom for the Lady Wolves as the Lady Eagles put up 16 points while holding C-City to a single basket.

Hannah Bassham led the Lady Wolves with 17 points.



THE LORAINE LADY BULLDOGS Basketball team won second place at the Lueders-Avoca tournament last weekend. The girls lost 74-62 in the finals to Rochester. They are pictured, front row (l-r) Eliza Martinez, Eliza Garcia, April Bailey, Amanda Aguilar, Amanda Walker and Krystal Sanchez. Back row (l-r) Ashley Smith, Lucy Rico, Stephanie Rich, Tabatha Epperson, Heaven McGrael, and Coach Clayton Harris.

Wolves grab first win, 49-46

The Colorado Wolves notched their first win Monday night with a 49-46 win over the Grape Creek Eagles.

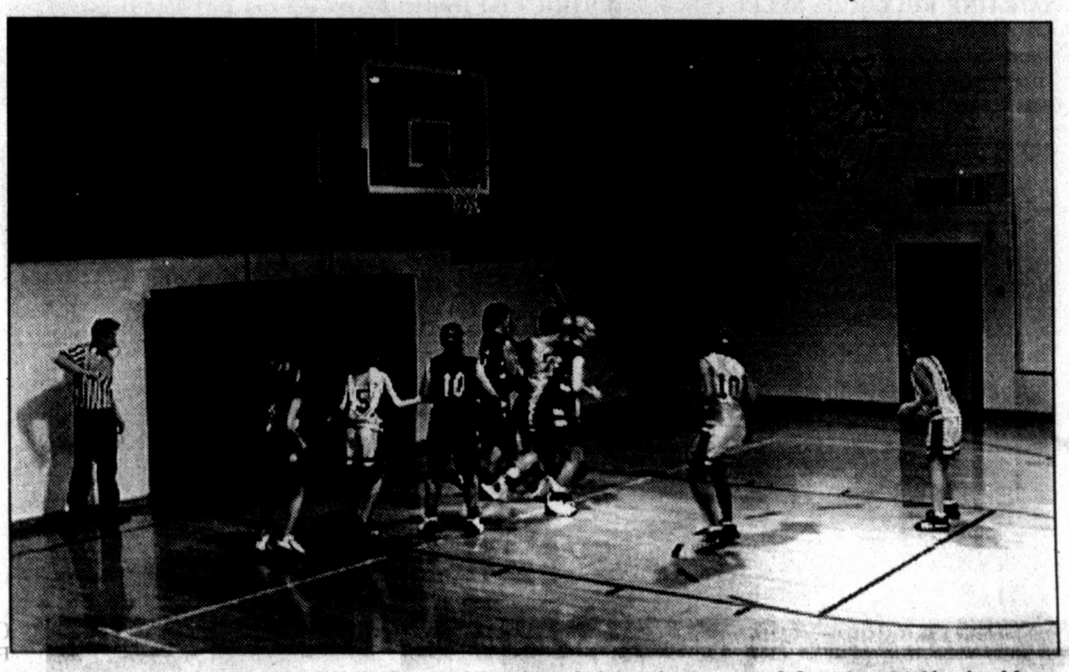
Tied up at 10-10 at the end of the first quarter, the Wolves took a 21-20 lead at the half.

Both teams scored 12 points each in the third quarter which kept the Wolves lead to 33-32 before the Wolves finished up with 16 points in the last quarter while holding the Eagles to 14 points.

Senior Cole Arthur was the only Wolf in double figures with a 14 point output.

Others scoring were Han Ollison with 5, Patrick Spear with 3, Chris Spear with 8, Jacobie Russell with 8, Isaac Franco with 5, and Kenneth Scott with 2.

In the JV game the Wolves defeated Grape Creek.



THE LADY BULLDOGS OF LORAINE overcame a huge height advantage to defeat class 2A Hawley Monday night in Loraine. After taking the lead late in the first quarter the Lady Bulldogs handily defeated the visitors 53-37. Pictured for Loraine is #5 Eliza Garcia, #10 Amanda Walker and Krystal Sanchez to the far right.

'Cats lose to Borden County

The Westbrook Wildcats girls and boys basketball squads opened their respective seasons with losses to Borden County in action played at Westbrook last Friday night.

The girls took the court first, dropping a 56-42 contest to the Lady Coyotes.

The Lady Wildcats trailed 16-12 at the end of the first quarter, and 26-18 at the half.

High point for the Wildcats was Allison Bray and Codi Waldrep with 14 points each. Sykeshia Thurman added 12 to the total.

The Wildcats gave the Coyotes fits before going down by the score of 43-41.

Behind 19-15 at half-time, the Wildcats put up 16 points in the third period to take a 31-29 lead going into the final period.

The Coyotes closed out the game with a 14 point fourth quarter to pull out the win.

Leading the Wildcats was junior Jared Matlock with 13 points. Cory Morton chipped in with nine more.

CMS teams split games in Stanton

The Colorado Middle School 7th and 8th grade boys basketball teams traveled to Stanton Monday night with the teams splitting the games.

In the first game the 7th grade boys defeated Stanton 27-18.

The team is coached by Randall Petty.

The 8th grade team lost a 42-27 contest to Stanton.

They are coached by Dan Gainey.

"We are still struggling some," said coach Gainey. "We are working on improving and I feel as the season goes on we will get better."

Lady Bulldogs place in tourney

The Loraine Lady Bulldogs gave notice they would be a force to be reckoned with this season when they placed second at the Lueders-Avoca basketball tournament last weekend.

The girls drew Rotan in the first round, winning the squeaker by a score of 47-43.

Junior guard Eliza Garcia topped all scorers with 19 points while Amanda Walker pitched in with 16.

On Friday the Lady Bulldogs played one of their best games of the tournament, whipping the host Lueders team by a score of 78-56.

Four players hit in double figures with April Bailey high with 23 points followed by Amanda Walker with 20, Eliza Garcia with 17, and Eliza Martinez hitting 10.

On Saturday the team returned to play for the championship with undefeated Rochester as the opponent.

The girls held tough, but Rochester came away with a hard-earned 74-62 victory.

April Bailey was high point with 19 points followed by Eliza Garcia with 17, and Eliza Martinez making 14.

The loss evened the Lady Bulldogs record to 2-2 with the other loss to highly respected Roscoe.

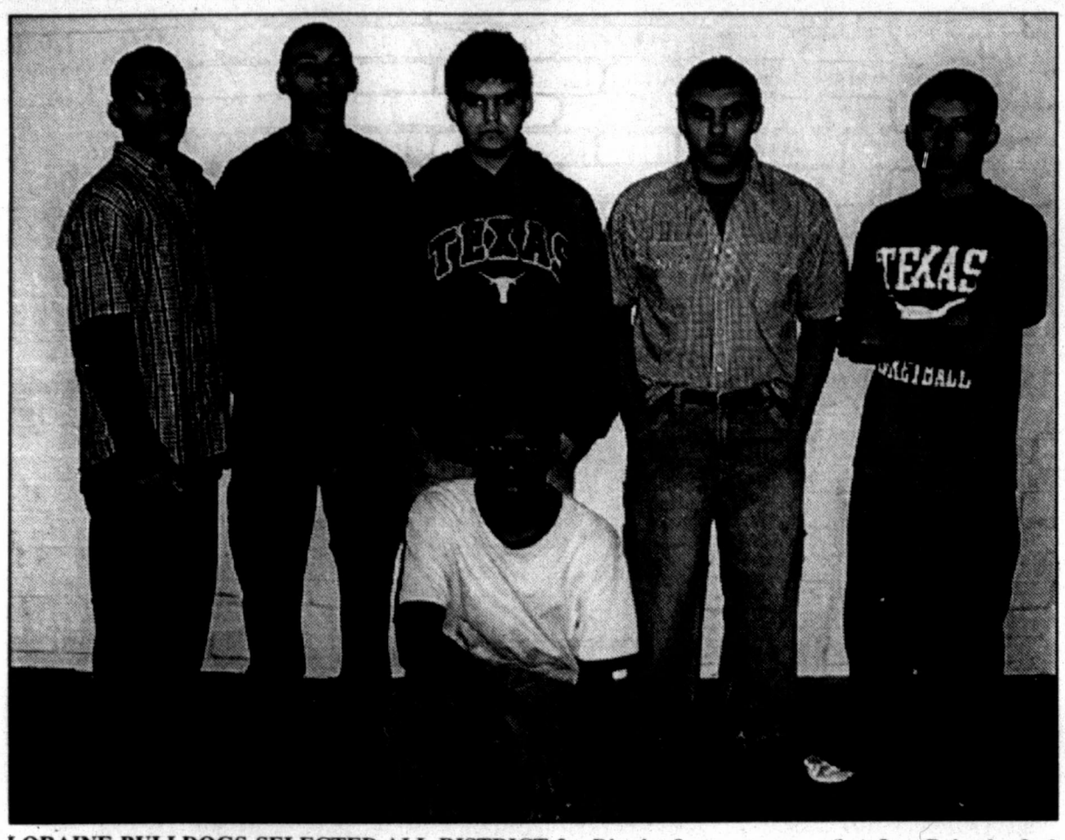
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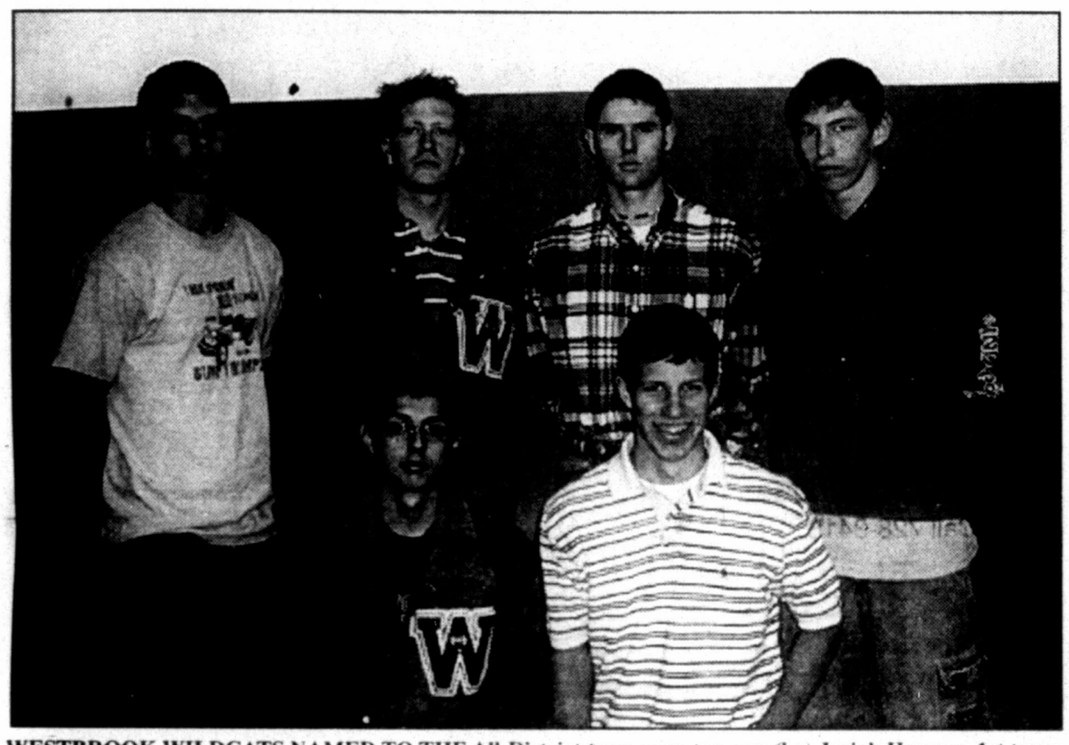
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LORAINE BULLDOGS SELECTED ALL-DISTRICT for District 8 were top row (l-r) Jose Delgado, 2nd team defensive end, honorable mention center; Michael Walker, honorable mention defend; Ryan Lucas, 1st team spreadback, 2nd team linebacker; D.J. Vanderpool 2nd team tight end; Anthony Esquivel, 1st team spread end, 1st team punter; bottom row, Marcus Williams, honorable mention defensive end. Not pictured was George Davila, 1st team spread end, 1st team safety.



WESTBROOK WILDCATS NAMED TO THE All-District team were top row (l-r) Josiah Hannon, 1st team defensive line, 2nd team running back; Cory Morton, honorable mention center defensive line; Jordan Johnson, 1st team split end, honorable mention defensive back; Jared Matlock, special team punter, 2nd team spreadback. Bottom row (l-r) Trey Chavez, 1st team safety, honorable mention utility back; Logan Truelove, honorable mention defensive lineman.

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Westbrook JV loses 32-19

The Westbrook Wildcat JV squad fell behind in the first half 11-7, and never recovered as the visiting Borden County Coyotes outscored the Cats 21-12 in the final half to give the home team its first loss at 32-19.

Logan Truelove was high point man with 10 points. Jordan Truelove chipped in five points in the loss.

"We are capable of playing better than we did tonight," said coach Jim Hill. We were not mentally ready to play. We made mistakes, but it gives u an opportunity to see what we have to work on to get better. We'll get better as the season goes on."

Bulldogs win consolation

The Loraine Bulldogs came through the loser's bracket at the Lueders-Avoca basketball tournament held last weekend to claim the consolation trophy with a 58-48 win over Rochester.

Loraine drew powerhouse Rotan in the first game, dropping that contest 52-40.

The Yellowhammers led 27-16 at half-time.

The Bulldogs were led by senior Ryan Lucas who scorched the nets for 25 points. Fifteen of those points came on five treys. George Davila had six points which came on two treys.

Loraine played Hermleigh next with the Bulldogs clobbering the Cardinals 68-33.

Loraine held a 30-17 lead at half-time

Leading the Bulldogs were Cameron Smith with 13 points, Michael Walker with 12, Davila with 11, and Lucas with 10.

Drawing Rochester for the consolation on Saturday, the Bulldogs got off to an early 29-24 half-time lead.

Leading Loraine on the offensive side was Lucas with 17 points, one of which was a trey Davila added 13 with one o those being a trey. Walker finished the night with 12 points.

"We drew probably the bes team in the first round," sai head coach Victor Garci "Overall I was pleased with ou play. There are some things w need to work on, but this i early in the season."

Speaking of Sports...

By Carl Graham

Wow!

Can you believe Thanksgiving is already here, and we are covering basketball games instead of football?

Of course one of those Thanksgiving weekend games we always watch is the annul University of Texas/Texas A&M Aggie rivalry. Throw out the records on this one. This one is always a war!

Our district opponent Coahoma, a team the Wolves defeated in district play, enters the third week of the playoffs after slipping past Ozona last Saturday in Midland. Now they have to face off against undefeated Canadian in the quarterfinals.

And how about those Cowboys! They held on to defeat Carolina 24-20 on Sunday to go 8-3 on the year. They have already won more games than they did in each of the last three seasons when they won five. Carolina had an 8-2 record, best in the NFL, going into the game.

Congratulations to th Loraine Lady Bulldogs fo bringing home the secon place trophy at the Lueders Avoca basketball tournamen this past weekend. They lost t Rochester 74-62 in the finals.

Lots of football this Thanksgiving holiday. I hope the Cowboys will be able to come back Thursday with a win after such a short week to prepare.

Have a safe and happy Turkey Day! Be a good spor in everything you do.

WJH defeats Trent 27, 26

The Westbrook girls traveled to Trent Monday night, and managed to pull out their third straight win with a 27-26 win over the Trent Lady Gorillas.

Keesha Krapf led the Lady Wildcats with eight points, followed by Rachel Gonzales with six. Linsey Chavez and Monica Molina each chipped in with four.

"It was ugly, but it was a win," said coach Cassie Short. "Our defense and our offense did not play well at all. We did some good things, but we have a long way to go yet."

In the boys game Westbrook lost a hard fought match against Trent.

The Wildcats overcome a 14-point deficit in the first half to cut the lead in half.

Leading the way for the Wildcats was Michael Morton with 13 points followed by Tate Burleson with 11.

Loraine JH boys stay undefeated

The Loraine junior high boys kept their undefeated basketball season intact with a dominating 38-12 win over the Highland Hornets Monday night at Highland.

"We played well tonight," said coach Rick Lucas. "It could have been much worse than it was. They are playing together as a team."

Derrick Martinez was high point with 11 points. He was followed by Dante Smith with 9, Jake Hester with 7, and Kenny Esquivel with 4.

Thank you....

The World Championship Boer Goat Cookoff Association wishes to give special gratitude for continued support and the contribution of the 3 beautiful Montana Silversmith 1st Place Belt Buckles to Wood's Boots.

Also, a special note of appreication to our contributers at our recent cookoff:

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The Association sends special gratitude to Rick Perkins at Perkin's' Apothecary for the Julia Bennett Trophy.

The Association also wishes to thank our local media:

Colorado Record - Earl Plagens
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Special thanks to TDCJ Cookers and to the City National Bank and First Bank of West Texas, Loraine for cooking with us.

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loraine news

By Bessie Ann Vaughn

Allie Ruth Wiggins and Iva Armstrong will have a mini get-together and go out to eat Thanksgiving dinner (or lunch, whichever you prefer) for a nice Thanksgiving meal with all the traditional trimmings at a local eatery.

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Tommy and Brenda Linam hosted a birthday dinner Monday night for Wanza Graham. Those attending were Dwayne and Patty Graham and Jason, Diane and Lewis Hughes, Debbie Carlock, Mike and Glenda Hemphill and Stephanie, J.A. and Y. Sadler and Keith and Brigada Hiser. Belated happy birthday Wanza.

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Virgil and Geraldine Parnell are looking forward to spending Thanksgiving day in Big Spring Thursday. Nelline and Al Fulcher, the Parnell's daughter and son-in-law are fairly new residents there. They will have a nice family holiday get-together.

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We send sincere condolence to the family and friends of Lela Bowlin. Lela was a long time resident of Loraine and leaves many friends in Mitchell County. She died last week in a care facility.

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Dorothy Haltom will spend the holiday and some extra time in Abilene with her son Calvin Haltom and wife Barbara and family.

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James and Gerry Woodell are looking forward to having all their six children and their spouses plus 18 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren for Thanksgiving.

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We have concerns at this time for Dual Blair. He is hospitalized at Colorado City. We send Dual get well wishes and prayers for better health.

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J.A. (Shots) Treadwell and Charlene Walker went to Amarillo over the weekend to be with and help Shots' sister celebrate her birthday. They had a nice visit.

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Joan and Narl Long are in Lubbock at this time and will be there for a three day stay. Narl will undergo a surgical port installation procedure in anticipation for additional treatment.

I spoke with Narl's daughter, Rhonda Gridley from Austin Monday morning and all their children are planning a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner and a welcome home from Lubbock for them on Thursday. Our prayers and better health wishes go to Narl.

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Nola Taylor is in Lubbock for Thanksgiving enjoying her children, Kitty and Dalton Gage and their family.

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Hershel and Helen Williams were in Winters last week to work on family lots at the cemetery.

Helen has the cutest little Boston Terrier, black and white now six weeks old. I'm tempted to talk to Santa about him but I'm doing well to feed my Beta Fish "Sweetie". The pup is available if one is interested in a canine Christmas.

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Kathy Walker was dismissed from Regional Hospital and went home last Friday. It is sad to report that on Saturday, the day after her dismissal she was back in Regional hospital and in ICU. Our well wishes and prayers go out to her.

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Senior Center

The Senior Center will be closed November 27th and 28th in observance of Thanksgiving and open for lunch again on December 1st.

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Last Monday Aubrey Wilson, Jack Denman, Charles Dunn and Durwood McAdams, Francis Denman also came to the Senior Center. The fellas made toe tapping music.

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Wednesday, we were happy to have Ken Northcutt also Pat Hudgins and Charles Walker to bring a musical treat.

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Friday, Dorothy Norwood, Warren Badger, Charles Dunn and Durwood McAdams played music and also sang. Iva Vay joined them. Also from Snyder was Sue Badger and Betty and Hulen Green.

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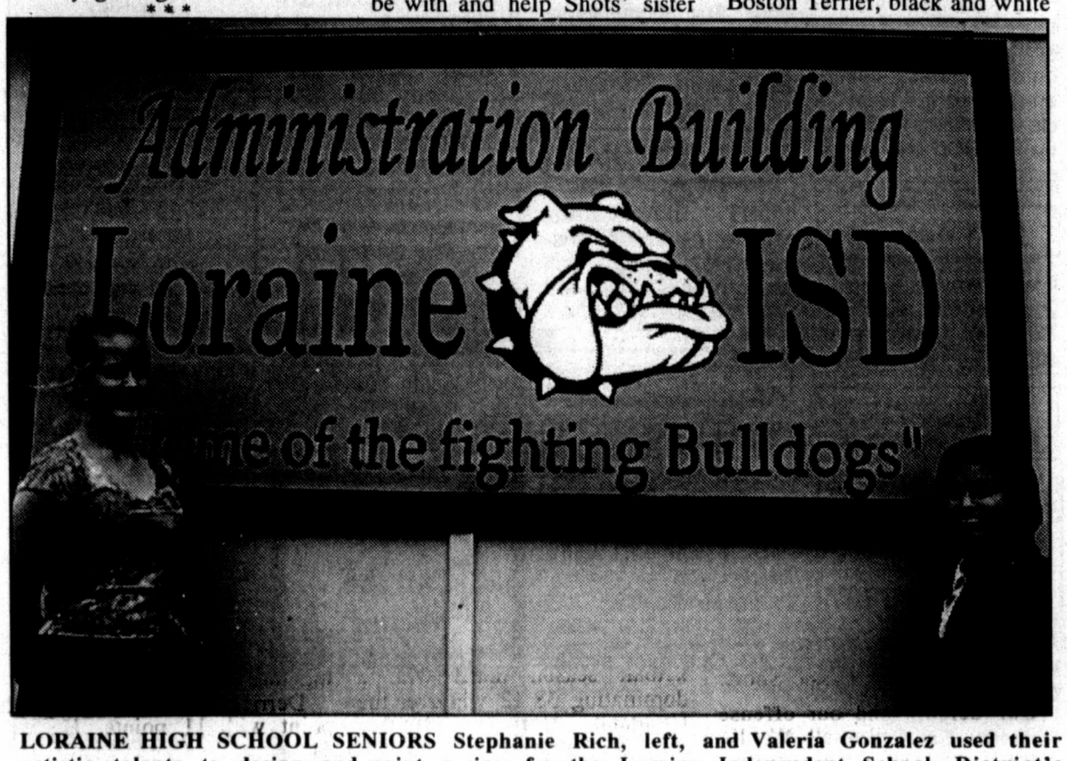
Coming over with Neil Miles and Betty Safford was Maxine Morris.

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Just In Fun

"How long was your last cook with you?"

"She was never with us, she was against us from the start."



LORAINE HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS Stephanie Rich, left, and Valeria Gonzalez used their artistic talents to design and paint a sign for the Loraine Independent School District's Administration Building. Rich and Gonzalez created the sign shortly after the start of the school year as part of an art class project. It took them two to three weeks to complete.

Lady Bulldogs defeat class 2A Hawley, 53-37

The Loraine Lady Bulldogs improved their record to 3-2 with a convincing 53-37 defeat of the Hawley Lady Bearcats at Loraine Monday night.

The girls took a 17-15 lead in the last 54 seconds of the first quarter and never looked back.

The Lady Bulldogs carried a slim 26-25 lead into half-time.

After Hawley tied the game up early in the third period, April Bailey hit a free throw to put the ladies back up at 30-29.

It was all Loraine in the final period as the Lady Bulldogs outscored Hawley 13-5 during that frame.

"I thought the girls played one of their best games this season," said coach Clayton Harris. "We still have some things to work on before district rolls around. We will be a contender."

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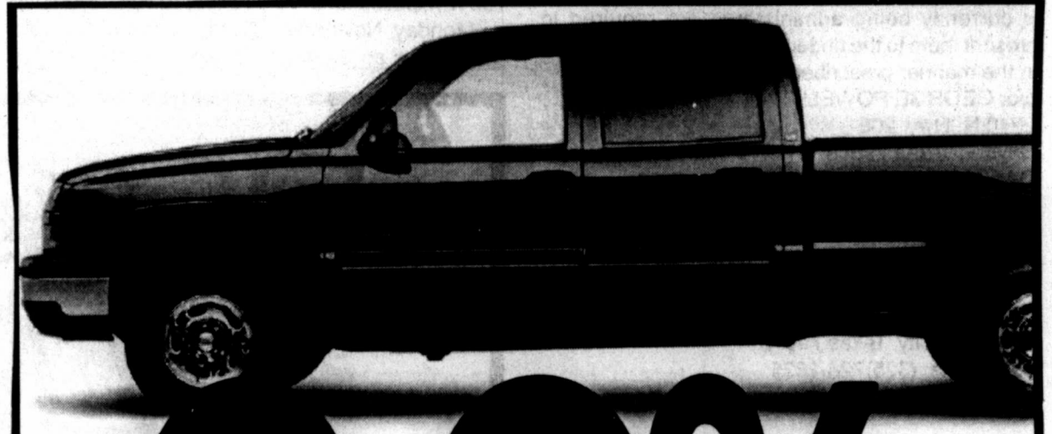
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CARD OF THANKS

Card of Thanks

Words really do not express our gratitude for the countless acts of kindness shown us by so many people. Thanks so much for the cards, flowers, food, visits, memorials, yard work and especially for the prayers. We want to give a special thanks to Dr. Dee Roach, Bill Everett, JoAnn Merket and the wonderful nurses at our hospital. We wish everyone who has to go through an illness like this could be blessed with the same loving care shown to Roy by the doctors, nurses, aides and housekeeping staff, throughout his many hospital stays. Thanks, also to Bro. Ted Spear, Bill Barlow and the Kiker-Seale staff. Although this has been a very difficult time, our family has received many blessings. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

The family of Roy Lee Beach
Joan Beach
Vicki Rinehart and family
Sue Ann Dominguez and family

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our appreciation to the nurses at the hospital and Valley Fair Lodge and Dr. Gross for the care given Dorothy during her illness.

To the many friends, may we say thanks for your expressions of sympathy through cards and floral offerings.

The family of Dorothy (Loyce) Lee

LEGAL

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of GAY POWELL, Deceased, were issued on November 17, 2003, in Cause No. 4993, pending in the County Court of Mitchell County, Texas, to: GEORGE POWELL.

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

c/o: GEORGE POWELL
2940 N. Hwy. 208
Snyder, Texas 79549
DATED the 20th day of November, 2003.
T.L. REES, SR.
Attorney for Estate
State Bar No.: 16701000
Attorneys at Law
P.O. Box 1007
Colorado City, Texas 79512
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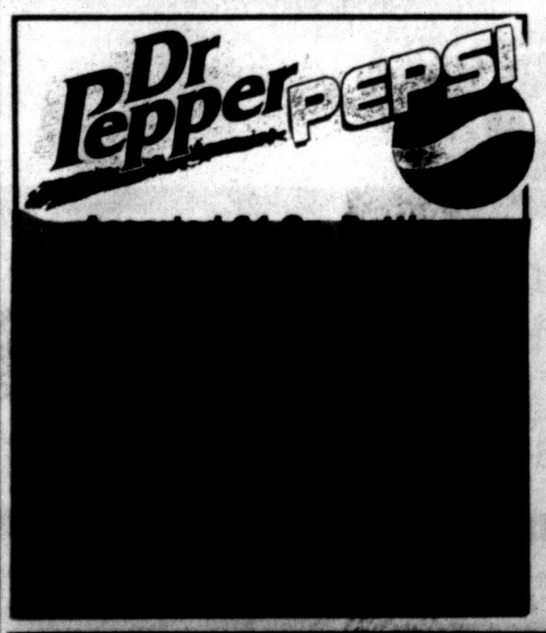
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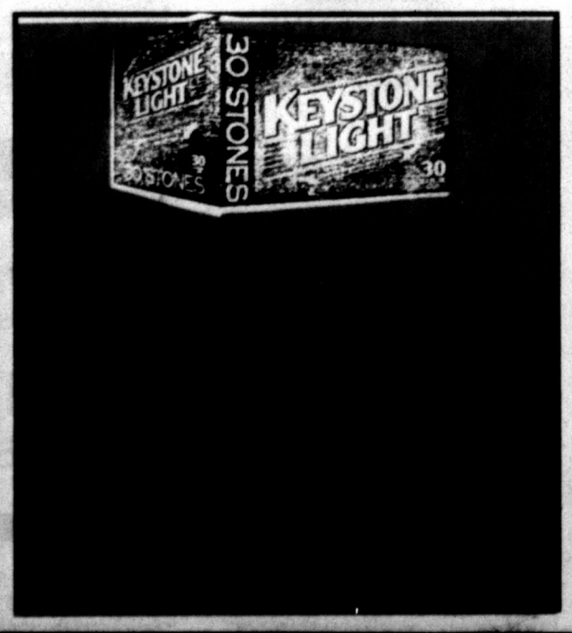
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