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CISD trustees set May election

By Carol Parsons
Colorado City Record
At last Monday's board meeting, CISD board members set this year's board of trustees elections for May 10, 2008. Filing period for Colorado City ISD school board elections will begin Feb. 9, 2008, said Jim White, CISD superintendent. "It's a little unusual this time, with four running off the board," he said. Normally, there would be three trustees running for re-election, but the board needs to fill an unexpired term.

Sally Neff, in Place 7, was appointed to fill Cecilia Scott's place, when Scott left to devote fulltime to the Main Street program. There are two years left on the Place 7 term.

Other trustees running are Cliff Shiller, Place 1; John Martinez, Place 2; and Mike Ratliff, Place 5. Shiller, Marti-

nez and Ratliff are running for three-year terms. Trustee duties include being the management board for the entire district, handling responsibilities such as setting policy, adopting budgets and hiring the superintendent. "Their biggest duty is setting policy," said White; also commenting that the current policy manual is five inches thick.

Applications may be filed at the CISD business office at 1132 Hickory Street. Deadline for applications to be filed is March 10 at 5 p.m. For those interested in filing as write-in candidates, the deadline for applications is March 17 at 5 p.m.

Early voting in person will begin April 28 at the CISD business office on Hickory, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will end May 6, 2008.

Deadline for home repairs is extended

Local homeowners needing help with making household repairs have until next Thursday, Jan. 31, to apply with the Christmas In Action program for its 2008 home-preservation effort. Applications may be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce. "Although if anyone needs help in filling out the application, they can call me at 728-3314," said CIA director Barbara Stahl.

The CIA community-help program has been in opera-

tion sixteen years and helps senior citizens with all types of home repair from roofing, sewage, and dry wall repair to painting. It's aimed at helping people who lack the ability, skills or finances to repair their homes.

"We're volunteers, not Extreme Makeover, but we do a quality job," said Stahl. The type of repair CIA offers depends on the amount of volunteers and their skill levels.

KCCB meeting slated for Jan. 24

Keep Colorado City Beautiful will hold its annual meeting and meal Thursday, Jan. 24, at 6 p.m. at the Coffee Cup restaurant in downtown Colorado City.

During the meeting, a report will be presented detailing the organization's activities from last year, as well as plans for the upcoming year.

KCCB would also like to ask local residents interested in making Colorado City a more attractive place to consider joining the group. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting as a guest of the club.

Presently, KCCB is selecting "Yards of the Month" dur-

ing the summer. The club also holds a Second Saturday Work Day each month at a site that needs improvement. Additionally, two or three bonfires are held each year.

KCCB is proud of what it has accomplished, but hopes to expand its efforts. With more members, the group feels it can do even more to improve the community.

KCCB has contacted 13 different organizations who have accepted the responsibility of maintaining various areas in the community through the Adopt-A-Lot program. The organization has also provided trailers for citizens to recycle aluminum cans and paper.



CHOSEN AS THIS year's recipient of the Farm Family Award was Melinda and Mike Alexander. The Alexanders are very active in many local activities.

By Stephanie Perez
Colorado City Record

Before a near capacity crowd at the Civic Center, the Colorado City Chamber of Commerce hosted its 99th Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet last Saturday night.

The Kiwanis Club Sons of Betty Crocker cooking team, along with Bama's House and Gas 'n' Grub, prepared a delicious meal of steak, chicken, green beans, salad, rolls and dessert at the banquet which began at 7 p.m. Students from Colo-

A COTTON PICKIN' GOOD TIME

rado Middle School were recognized during the banquet for their superior service in assisting the Chamber in serving the meal. Patricia Gillespie provided the guests with piano music during the meal. Tables were decorated with a cotton bolls and stalks, quite appropriate considering this year's bumper cotton crop.

During her address to banquet attendees, Chamber Manager Sue Lowrance lauded the organization's accomplishments of 2007, and called the chamber

"the front door of Mitchell County." Currently there are 97 businesses, 50 individuals and seven organizations that are members of the Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Jim Baum recognized the many candidates running for office who were present for the event, including State Representative Drew Darby.

Colorado City businessman and community volunteer Brodie Harris was hon-

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER FOR the annual Chamber Banquet was Supreme Court Justice Candidate and 1981 graduate of Colorado High School, Sam Houston.



LOCAL BUSINESSMAN AND longtime volunteer, Brodie Harris is this year's "Citizen of the Year."

Parsons joins Record staff

Carol Parsons assumed the duties as Editor of the Colorado City Record last week. She replaces Tommy Wells who resigned recently to take a job in North Dakota.

Record Publisher Earl Plagens made the announcement last week. "We're certainly pleased to have Carol join our staff," Plagens said. "She brings a lot of enthusiasm and a strong commitment to produce a newspaper this community will enjoy."

"This is my dream job," Parsons said. "I've always wanted to work on a small town paper since high school." Parsons grew up in Vinita, Oklahoma, a small town of about 6,000, working on the Vinita Daily Journal in high school and college. Parsons has a B.A. in journalism from Oklahoma Baptist University.

After graduation, she married West Texas' Bruce Parsons and moved to Texas. "I consider myself a naturalized Texan," said Parsons. The Parsons live in the Champion Community, about halfway between Colorado City and Sweetwater. Her husband is pastor of the Champion Baptist Church and teaches English at Highland High School.

"We have many ties to the C-City community. Three of our four children were born in the old hospital. We chose C-City over other hospitals because everyone was so friendly and helpful," Parsons said. She feels at home with the community and looks forward to meeting new people and learning more about the city and surrounding communities.

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Carol Parsons

<p>Around Town</p> <p>Happy birthday Danny Butler (Jan. 26)... Marge Kolman enjoys a steak... Happy birthday Jackie Brem (Jan. 27)... Happy 54th anniversary Noma & Monte Wike (Jan. 24)...</p>	<p>Obituaries</p> <p>Donald Taylor Westbrook</p>	<p>Immunization Clinic</p> <p>Texas Department of State Health Services will hold an immunization clinic on Mon., Feb. 4 from 10 a.m. - 12 noon and on Wed., Feb. 6 from 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. at the Wallace Center located at 149 S. Hwy. 208, Colorado City. Please bring your child's immunization records to clinic. Call 325-754-4945 for more information.</p>	<p>Briefs</p> <p>Softball Signups</p> <p>The Mitchell County Girls Softball Association will hold signups Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Civic Center and Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at Kelley Gym.</p> <p>Super Bowl Party</p> <p>All 7th through 12th graders are invited to Wolf Stadium Sun., Feb. 3 to participate in a Powder Puff football game at 3:30 p.m., followed by co-ed football and ultimate Fris-</p>	<p>bee. At 5 p.m. the big game will be shown on the big screen at the First Baptist Church gym. The event is sponsored by First Baptist Church and Calvary Baptist Church Student Ministries.</p> <p>Pancake Supper</p> <p>The Wallace Senior Citizens will hold a Pancake Supper Feb. 5 from 5 to 7 p.m. Each plate costs \$5 per plate. Proceeds benefit the nutrition program.</p>	<p>Thought of the Week</p> <p><i>Middle age is youth without levity, and age without decay.</i></p> <p>Doris Day</p> <p>Lake Levels</p> <p>(as of Jan. 22, 2008)</p> <p>Lake Colorado City... 2067.28 Full at 2070.3' Down 3.02' Lake Champion... 2050.97' Full at 2083' Down 32.03'</p>
<p>Answerline</p> <p>Q. What is the antenna, which was recently erected next to the CISD Administration Building, used for?</p> <p>A. The antenna is used by the CISD system to provide better and faster internet service for the entire school district.</p>					

LOCAL NEWS

OBITUARIES

Donald Delbert Taylor 1933-2008

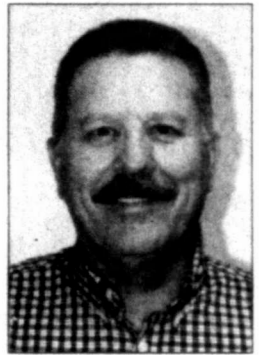
WESTBROOK — Mr. Donald Delbert Taylor, age 74, died on Monday, January 21, 2008, at the V.A. Hospital in Big Spring. Mr. Taylor was cremated, under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Taylor was born on September 26, 1933, in Big Spring to Clarence E. and Corea Oliver Taylor. He was a longtime resident of Westbrook and a member of First Baptist Church in Westbrook. Mr. Taylor served in the U.S. Air Force as an aircraft mechanic.

He is preceded in death by his parents and one brother.

Munoz seeks position on commissioner court

Former I.S.D. board member and city council member, Jesse Munoz, announced his candidacy for county commissioner precinct 3 in the democratic primary to be held March 4th.



Jesse Munoz

Munoz, 57, currently works as a customer service technician with A T & T. Concerning his desire to run for office, Munoz

said, "I'm retiring in the near future and will have more time to give back to my community. I'm concerned about our economy and especially our elderly on fixed incomes."

His top priorities focus on keeping every business currently operating in the county, as well as bringing in additional busi-

nesses. "Every town in west Texas would like a large company in their community, but why not work on one or two smaller ones that would also create some jobs," he explained.

Munoz and his wife, Anita, have two sons, a daughter and a granddaughter. He has served as a Colorado I.S.D. board member for 10 years, as a city council member for 8 years; on the Mitchell County Child Welfare Board for 3 years and mentored at Hutchinson Elementary for 2 years.

He feels his work on the Mitchell County Appraisal District Board would aid him on budgets, hiring of personnel and overseeing the county's buildings and equipment.

"Water is an issue now. I pray the Lord gives us the rain He thinks we need and then it's up to us to protect and be very conservative with our water," Munoz said. "We should also have good relations with other districts for alternative sources in the future."

Chamber seeking rental property

The Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce is in need of landlords... the names of landlords, anyway.

The chamber is in the process of updating their list of people with rental property in the area and is encouraging all owners of rental properties to call their office to have their name added to the list. If your name is already on the list, call anyway so that your information can be updated.

Rental property is at a prime in Colorado City right now because there is a shortage of it. According to Chamber Secretary Carla Sauer, the chamber hears from as many as five people per week looking for a place to rent. Many times those incoming renters have to go to surrounding towns to find housing, because of the rental shortage here.

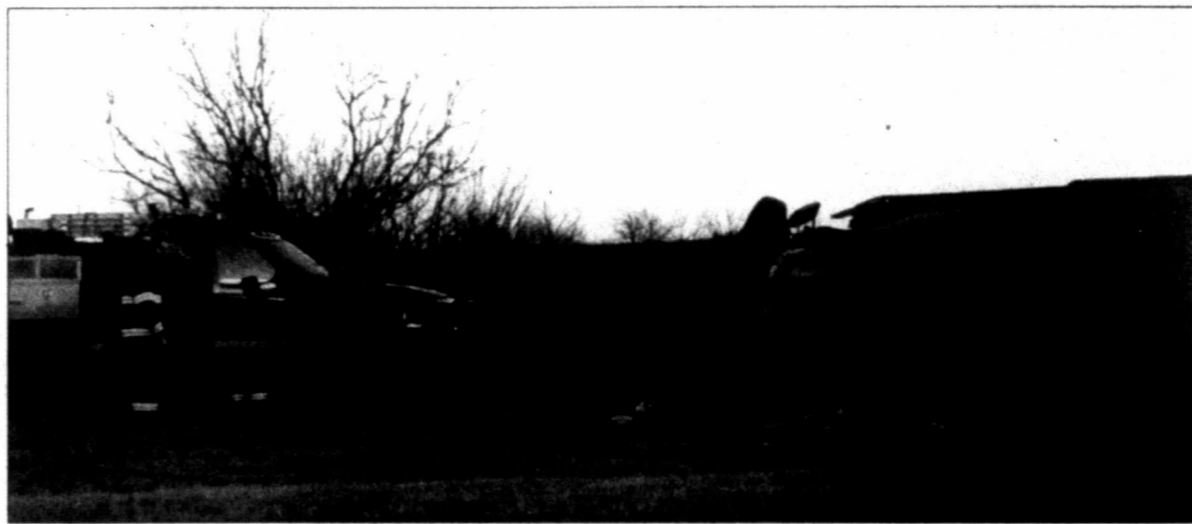
In order to keep as many pro-

spective citizens as possible, the chamber is updating their list, hoping to find out about rental properties they have not been aware of in the past.

All owners of rental property are urged to call the chamber at 728-3403 to have their information added to or updated on the list.



FRIDAY'S BOAT MISHAP resulted in one injury but no fatalities, according to Texas Highway Patrol Trooper Usener.



COLORADO CITY FIRE department works to free William Hagler of Culver City, California from his truck, after it rolled and slid into a ditch, after rear-ending a boat trailer.

One injured in boat collision on I-20

An 18-wheeler rear-ended a boat on I-20 near mile marker 218 just over Lone Wolf Creek on Friday, January 18. The accident occurred at 6:11 a.m. according to Texas Highway Patrol Trooper Jeremy Usener.

Jarvid Taglizadeh from Burnaby, British Columbia was driving a Ford pickup and pulling the boat on a trailer, westbound

on I-20 when the trailer suffered a blowout. Although Taglizadeh was using hazard lights and attempting to pull the boat off the bridge, the 18-wheeler owned by Werner Enterprises Trucking out of Omaha, Nebraska, slammed into the rear of the trailer.

Usener said the truck driver, William Hagler from Culver City, California, was asleep at the wheel at the time of the accident. The semi went into the ditch and rolled onto its left side, coming to rest as it blocked the north service road. The pickup and trailer hit the guard rail, then stopped in the ditch.

The Colorado City fire department extracted the trapped Hagler, then transported him by ambulance to Mitchell County Hospital where he was treated for injuries and released the following day.

Taglizadeh and his passenger

School board members recognized in January

Governor Rick Perry has proclaimed January as School Board Recognition Month.

"School board members serve countless hours working to make public education the best it can be for every child," said Jim White, CISD Superintendent. They bear responsibility and oversight in Colorado ISD for an annual budget of \$10 million; 1100 students, in grades PreK to 12; more than 200 employees; and 6 campuses.

Preparing today's students to be productive citizens and the leaders of tomorrow is a tremendous task," said White.

"We proudly join educators and community members in saluting these education advocates as they provide vision and leadership for student achievement, academic programs, district funding, and school facilities. Their service ensures that decisions about local public schools are made by

those most familiar with the needs of our community's children and families," said White. "These dedicated individuals deserve recognition and thanks for their unfailing commitment to the continuing success of our students now and in the future," he said.

The men and women serving Colorado ISD are: Charles Walker, president; Mike Ratliff, vice-president; Cliff Shiller, secretary, and members Lisa Hernandez, Larry Mason, John Martinez, and Sally Neff. The students, staff, and administration of the CISD thank these members for their commitment and service to the district.

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LOCAL NEWS

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ored with the Outstanding Citizen award. Harris owns and operates the Colorado City Livestock Auction and regularly volunteers to help such organizations as the local 4-H chapter, the chamber and the livestock association.

The Farm/Ranch/Ag award was presented to Mike and Melinda Alexander by Royce Clay. The Alexanders were selected for, not only their work in the agricultural field, but for the time and effort the family spends volunteering in the community and the schools.

Melinda is Principal at Wallace Accelerated High School.

After the awards were presented, former Mitchell County educator David Woods introduced the speaker for the evening, Sam Houston, son of Gayle and the late Corky Houston of Colorado City. Houston, a lawyer, is running in the Democratic Primary for Texas Supreme Court Justice.

During his address, Houston referred to the people of Colorado City as "the salt of the earth". He reminisced about growing up in Colorado City and the citizens of this county having an impact on

his life. Prior to his arrival in Colorado City, Houston had given up to 50 speeches to the AFLCIO, seeking their endorsement for his candidacy. He received word Monday that the AFLCIO would endorse him.

Houston likened his pursuit of the office of a supreme court justice to climbing mountains. "Everybody has their own mountain." He said his start to climbing his mountain began in Colorado City, as he has always wanted to be a lawyer.

Houston also stated that there had been no democrat elected to a statewide justice office since 1994, and he believes that the state of Texas needs balance in the court.

If elected, Houston says his main concern will be saving the civil jury system which he believes is under attack. He is opposed in the Democratic Primary to Baltazar Cruz. If Houston is elected the democratic candidate in the March primary, he will face incumbent Justice Dale Wainwright (R) in the November election.

EDITOR

There has been an interim in her West Texas experience. For eleven years, the Parsons' served in Ecuador with the International Mission Board. From this experience came a new world view and appreciation for other cultures, the acquisition of a second language, and a daughter, who was born in Quito.

The Parsons returned to Champion in late 2000 to continue their work in the church there, having served there previously from 1985 to 1989.

Parsons has enjoyed working in many schools as a substitute teacher, including the Colorado City schools and says it has been a wonderful experience for her. But her first love has always been

the written word. Last year, her first novel, *Advent Phoenix*, was published after many years of writing. Her work has also been featured in various magazines and newspapers. She loves the activity of the newsroom and the opportunity to put news into print.

"I am truly grateful to the Plagens for the opportunity to do something I have loved to do since I was just a girl and look forward to making a positive contribution to this community," Parsons said. "I will do my best to maintain the excellence in journalism and communications that has been a characteristic of this paper due to the work of Tommy Wells and those before him. I look forward to serving this community."

Relay for Life kick-off party set

Mitchell County Relay for Life will kick off the 2008 season with a party on Tuesday, January 29 at the C.C. Thompson Room, next to the City National Bank.

"We had an amazing fundraising year in 2007, and with help from everyone again this year, we believe that we can do even better," said Relay for Life director Bubba Limones.

The 2008 Relay is scheduled for August 15, 16. Limones added, "We are getting an earlier start so that more people have time to get involved."

The party on January 29 will begin at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Those interested in participating but not able to attend should call Limones at 728-5303 and leave a message.

Life Line Screening assists doctors in stroke prevention

Residents living in and around the Colorado City community can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke or a serious bone fracture. Life Line Screening will be at Colorado City Housing Authority on February 7th. The site is located at 439 Oak Street in Colorado City. Appointments will begin at 9 a.m.

A stroke, also known as a "brain attack," is ranked as the third leading killer in the world, and the leading cause of nursing home admissions. Screenings are fast, painless and low cost. They

test for blocked carotid arteries, abdominal aortic aneurysms, and hardening of the arteries in the legs. Bone density screening is also offered to assess the risk of osteoporosis.

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TXU representative assures Lions Club of good service

"Assurance" was the keynote in Steve Jenkins' address to the Colorado City Lions Club. Jenkins, community relations manager of the former TXU, spoke at the Lions Club meeting on Friday, January 18.

Jenkins reassured the Lions Club members that although TXU had divided into three entities under new management, many of the previous services would continue without interruption. Detailing the various responsibilities of the three boards, Jenkins said that wire, poles and distribution would be under the jurisdiction of Oncor, while TXU Energy would handle retail and the commodity ends with a variety of reduced rate plans for low income customers. The third board, Luminant, would handle power generation and wholesale.

Luminant's plans for bringing three new coal plants on line by mid-next year raised concerns about the status of the Morgan Creek plant. Jenkins commented, "This type of plant is like a field goal kicker. You don't notice him until you need him." Jenkins said that the value of the Morgan Creek plant is in its easier startup and the fact that it is less expensive to run. "There will always be a need for this type of plant."

Proposals to develop IGCC (integrated gasification combined cycles) are being researched. "This is an evolving technology," Jenkins said. "We're not against it; it's just not developed

Vietnam Vets hold reunion on Feb. 2

The 21st Annual "TET" Reunion is coming up and all veterans and their families are welcome to attend.

The event, honoring Vietnam veterans, will be held Saturday, February 2, at the Taylor County Fairgrounds Display Building in Abilene. There will be food, drinks, and displays, starting at noon. A USO Show is also planned.

All veterans attending are encouraged to bring "in country" memorabilia. For more information, call 325-672-4003.



LUMINANT'S COMMUNITY RELATIONS manager, Steve Jenkins fielded questions concerning IGCC and other energy matters at Friday's Lions Club meeting.

yet where we can use it." Jenkins said the company has received some requests and should be able to make a decision before the end of the year concerning the viability of workable technology. During a question and answer

period, Jenkins addressed concerns over economic impacts in the housing and job markets, and the purchasing of transmission lines, as well as the construction and licensing requests for a nuclear power plant in East Texas.

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Touring Jack London's neighborhood

"The grapes on a score of rolling hills red with autumn flame. Across Sonoma Mountain wisps of sea fog are stealing. The afternoon sun smolders in the drowsy sky. I have everything to make me glad I am alive. I am filled with dreams and mysteries. I am all sun and air and sparkle. I am vitalized, organic."

Those words were written by Jack London, an adventurer and author who wrote 50 books (Call of the Wild, White Fang) from his ranch north of Sonoma, California, in the early 1900's. He died in 1916 at the age of 40. His place is now a state park.

We toured the area around Santa Rosa and Glen Ellen with some friends who live there. It is an extremely compact area. It seems we didn't go but a few miles and there would be something new to explore. In a one-block area we toured an olive oil manufacturing facility, a cheese company, a chocolate factory and a winery.

Those California folks know how to do it. The olive oil place (Figone's Olive Oil Co.) was something I'd never experienced before.

It had acres of olive trees and huge (dumpster-size) boxes of olives leading to the entrance. Visitors could sample the various varieties of olive oil. The John Raymond Cheese Company had cheeses from all over the country including some made in California. We must have sampled a dozen different types of cheese. Same for the Eric Ross Winery across the street: types of wines that were totally new to me. At Wine Country Chocolates we watched wine-infused (cabernet-sauvignon) truffles being made by hand. Such tasty delights, and all just a few yards apart.

Besides visiting our friends in Sonoma, we were in California primarily to visit our son BZ and his family, who live in the hills of Oakland. We were there nine days. We did take a detour to Gilroy, California where I made a speech. Gilroy is the garlic capital of the USA. Yes, we did get some samples. We even sampled garlic ice cream. Gilroy is a city of 50,000. The annual Garlic Festival, held in the summer, attracts 150,000 visitors.

Just before we left to go to California, my four-year-old grandson, Max, asked me over the phone if I knew any jokes. I told him one off the top of my head, but then scoured the Internet for kid jokes and carried a good supply of them with me. I fired one off every few hours. Max told his friends that I knew lots of jokes. Max even repeated some of them and told them well. His little brother Aiden didn't get them, but since everybody was laughing, he laughed too.

Max is learning how to cook. His class at school wrote a cookbook and Max's recipe for spaghetti was included in it. "Put noodles in oven for like one minute, two minutes, three minutes, four minutes, five minutes and make it cold with water. Add sauce, the sauce I like but not the sauce I don't like. All sauces are red, different kinds of red. Add a clock, maybe a pointy rock or a cowbell."

Sounds delicious.



Our Main Street approach

Quality of life is one of the key issues that profoundly affect the prosperity and the growth of our economy. A thriving downtown or neighborhood commercial district is a major component of each community's quality of life. A downtown provides a central gathering place for entertainment, civic life and commerce. It provides a focal point for community identity and pride. It attracts visitors and projects a healthy community image upon which investors rely in part to make their location decisions. Whether or not a family moves here is very often determined by the appearance of our downtown area. Our downtown provides small business ownership opportunities, jobs, retail sales and tax revenues.

After intense preparation and competition, Colorado City was selected to be a participant in the highly recognized, proven and successful Main Street program. The Main Street program is a comprehensive approach to revitalization addressing all areas in which action must take place. Organization, promotion, design and economic development are the four points upon which the program is

built. Design improvements, effective marketing and development of new and existing businesses are all necessary to reverse decay and sustain preservation.

Our downtown architecture tells the story of our community and has quality in construction, craft and style that cannot be replicated today. Our downtown is a unique district in the marketplace and our Main Street program reflects and reinforces the district's unique characteristics.

A public-private partnership is needed to make long-term revitalization possible. Both make a revitalization program successful as neither can bring about change alone. Private-public groups bring together all the skills necessary for revitalization. Our incredible volunteers bring a sense of commitment and service to the



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By
CECILIA SCOTT
COORDINATOR

community. What is good for the city is ultimately good for the county and many of our very best and dedicated volunteers live in Westbrook and Loraine. Their involvement creates a much stronger and united community. Main Street extends a special "thank you" to each of those volunteers. They truly understand the meaning of teamwork.

Our community is unique and has special characteristics that set it apart from all other communities. Our downtown district did not lose economic strength overnight; it happened over years with small declines leading to a downward spiral. Improvement will be gradual as well. The Main Street approach relies on a series of small improvements that make the district more desirable. Gradually the small changes build to larger ones as the organization gains strength and becomes more efficient mobilizing our resources. We are on the move to a more vital and successful historic downtown area.

I welcome your comments or suggestions and I can be reached at 325-242-0206 or 325-728-9018.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the citizens of Mitchell County,

Thank you, Mitchell County, for being super generous and caring during the Christmas season as you supported the Kiwanians to provide a very nice Christmas for some 174 recipients. Toys for Mitchell County Kids has been able to give nice gifts each year due to your thoughtfulness and kindness.

We would like to thank the Community Mission for working so diligently to get applicants, and to the Mitchell County Retired Teacher's Association for providing books, and the C-City Riders for picking up toys at drop-off points.

We would also like to thank the many

local businesses and friends for providing spaces for drop-off boxes, and the schools for collecting new and like-new toys, and for cleaning the items. We would also like to thank Warden Jason Heaton for allowing the TDCJ Wallace/Ware and W-3 units and the Windham School to participate and donate the picnic table and benches, park benches and playhouse. Many donations were made by individuals hoping to have their names drawn.

Also, thank you to each person who gave a donation while given the opportunity to win one of the highly-sought after items donated by the TDCJ offend-

ers, and thanks to everyone who donated a toy or money to the effort. All cash received was used to buy items needed to finish off gift bags. All the items were purchased locally.

We would also like to thank Mary Smith and Sendia Blake for the help, and to the four good Samaritans that came in for two days to help Kiwanians sort and distribute items for the gift bags.

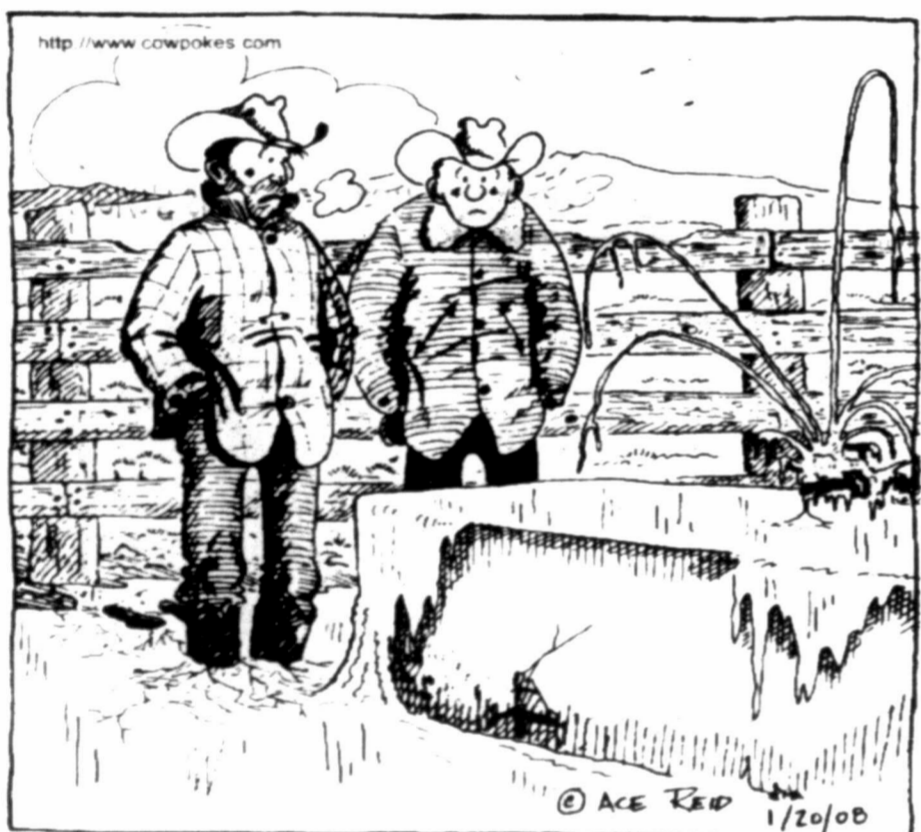
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Jan Lemons
Kiwanians' Project Coordinator

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SCHOOL NEWS



STUDENTS OF THE Week at Hutchinson Elementary are: (l-r) Sebastian Martinez, Madie Gutierrez and Jeremiah Williams. Jo'Sei Ikaeda, (back), an actor in Hollywood, visited each Colorado ISD campus to emphasize the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Students of the week named at Hutchinson

Students of the Week have been chosen at Hutchinson Elementary. They are Sebastian Martinez, Madie Gutierrez and Jeremiah Williams.

Sebastian, son of Chris Martinez and Evelyn Martinez, is a third grader in Mrs. Jones' class. He enjoys skateboarding and playing games as hobbies, and

writing is his favorite subject. He said, "My favorite thing about Hutchinson is P.E., because I love to play dodgeball!"

Madie, a fourth grader in Mrs. Johns' class, is the daughter of Tana and Steve Gutierrez. Her hobby is showing pigs, and her favorite subject is P.E. When asked about her favorite thing about her

school, she said, "My teacher."

Jeremiah, son of Tera and Mickey Williams, is a fifth grader in Mrs. Gaaney's class. Playing basketball is his hobby, and reading is his favorite subject. He said the teachers at Hutchinson are his favorite thing about his school.

Wolf Tracks

CHS NEWS By Senior, SARAH SMITH

NASA Trip

The Physics and Calculus Club left for Houston Thursday to tour Space Center Houston and NASA.

"It was really fun," senior Catherine Dolan said. "We got to view the Saturn V, the ship that was used in the Apollo missions, and it was amazing. It is so impressive to see something like that in person. There were so many intricate details."

The group spent all day Friday learning about the various aspects of space travel; before returning home Saturday.

"(The kids) learned to appreciate the history of space exploration. And that there is not only a history, but also a future in space exploration," Calculus teacher, Cheryl Warren said. "The visit to mission control is amazing. Just knowing that through that glass is where everything happened; that's where they brought Apollo XIII home. That, to me, is the most amazing part. We even sat where presidents and other dignitaries sat to observe missions."

The Physics and Calculus Club members would like to thank everyone who supported them in their fundraising efforts. The members are: JD Clay, James Smith, Catherine Dolan, Sarah Smith and Ryan Graham who was unable to attend. The sponsors are Physics teacher, Christie Bonner and Calculus teacher Cheryl Warren.

Other Events

* TAKS field testing will be conducted the 28th of this month for all 9th-11th graders. The test is intended to measure the progress of students in English.

* The final semester of the school year started Tuesday, after a three day weekend for CISD students.

* All semester finals were concluded last week and report cards will be mailed soon.

* Mrs. Conner's UIL Academ-

ics kids will be attending their first practice meet of the year this weekend in Haskell.

* The golf team will be holding tryouts this week to determine who will represent CHS at the district meet.

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COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By Jincy Ross
CHS Counselor

Hey Seniors! You are halfway through your senior year! That's exciting and scary at the same time. You don't have to be exactly sure of what you will do after graduation, but you need to have a plan. If you want to apply to a college or technical school but you don't know how, come see me! Also, if you would like to talk to an admissions counselor from a specific college, let me know. I can set up an appointment for you. Be looking for the bright orange "Counselor's Connection"—it will be put in your senior mailbox at the end of each six weeks! Please check your mailbox for scholarship opportunities as well.

Senior Contracts:
It's time to decide what you will do after graduation. I am currently meeting individually with each senior to help you make some important decisions. If you are going to college, you need to decide where you would like to go, what you would like to study, where you plan to live and how you will pay for school. If you are going straight to work, you need to decide what type of job you would like to have and in what town you would like to live. If you are going into the military, let me know and I will set up an appointment with a recruiter. Your contract will be sent home with your report card so you and your parents can start talking about your future!

TAKS Retests:
You still have two opportunities to pass TAKS before graduation. The TAKS retests will be offered in March on the following dates: March 3—Social Studies retest, March 5—ELA retest, March 6—Math retest, March 7—Science retest. The last chance to pass TAKS prior to graduation will be the last week of April. Please make sure you look through your study guide that I gave you in order to prepare for your retest. We all have faith in you and want you to succeed! You can do it!

FAFSA Help Workshop:
Corky Swanson (formerly of McMurry University) will be at CHS on Monday, March 10 at 6 p.m. to help families complete their FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Mrs. Swanson was the Financial Aid director at McMurry for many years. She has 35+ years of working with financial aid. Your parents can complete FAFSA beginning on January 1, 2008. However, if they need help, have them attend

the workshop on March 10! If you are college-bound, you need to complete the FAFSA to see how much money you will receive.

DAP Graduates:
Those of you who are planning on being DAP (Distinguished Achievement Program) graduates must make a semester average of 80 in your college classes! You must make at least an 80 for your semester average in Government, Economics, Texas Government, Psychology and English. You must have 4 DAP points in order to be a DAP graduate. If you make below an 80 for your semester average in one of these classes, you lose that DAP point and it can not be made up!

College Days:
You are allowed TWO (and only two!) college days per year. College days can be used to visit the campuses in which you are interested. However, you must stay at CHS until 9:30 a.m. on your college day for attendance purposes. If you will be visiting a campus that is far away, you might have to be gone the whole day. If so, it will be an excused absence, but it will count against your exemption status for semester exams! You can pick up a college day form from the Counselor's Office before you leave, and you must return it to Mrs. Forbes so that you won't be counted absent. You must get a college admissions counselor to sign your form before you leave the campus.

Use your college days! It's a great way to make sure that you really like the school you hope to attend.

ACT Dates:

If you need to take the ACT again, here are the dates: Saturday, February 9 and Saturday, April 12. CHS will not give the test, but you can register to take the ACT at WTC. If you need help completing an ACT packet, come see me. Of course,

registering for the ACT online is the fastest way.

Community Service Opportunities:

Volunteer to work a basketball concession stand
Mentor a Kelley or Hutch kid
Volunteer to pick up trash around Colorado City or around CHS
Donate a coat that is too small for you (bring to CHS)
Donate clothes that are too small for you (bring to CHS)
That's it for now. If I can help you make a plan for after you graduate or if you need help finding a school that has the career in which you are interested, please come see me! I'm here to help you all! Enjoy the rest of your senior year and remember:

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For any questions, please contact Jincy Ross, CHS Counselor, at 728-1066.

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Tues., Jan. 29 Goulash, Spinach, Salad, Cornbread

Wed., Jan. 30 BBQ Pork Ribs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Bread

Thurs., Jan. 31 Green Cheese Enchiladas, Rice, Salad, Chips & Hot Sauce

We are once again offering a Baked Chicken Breast with a larger salad and the daily vegetable - same price as lunch specials!

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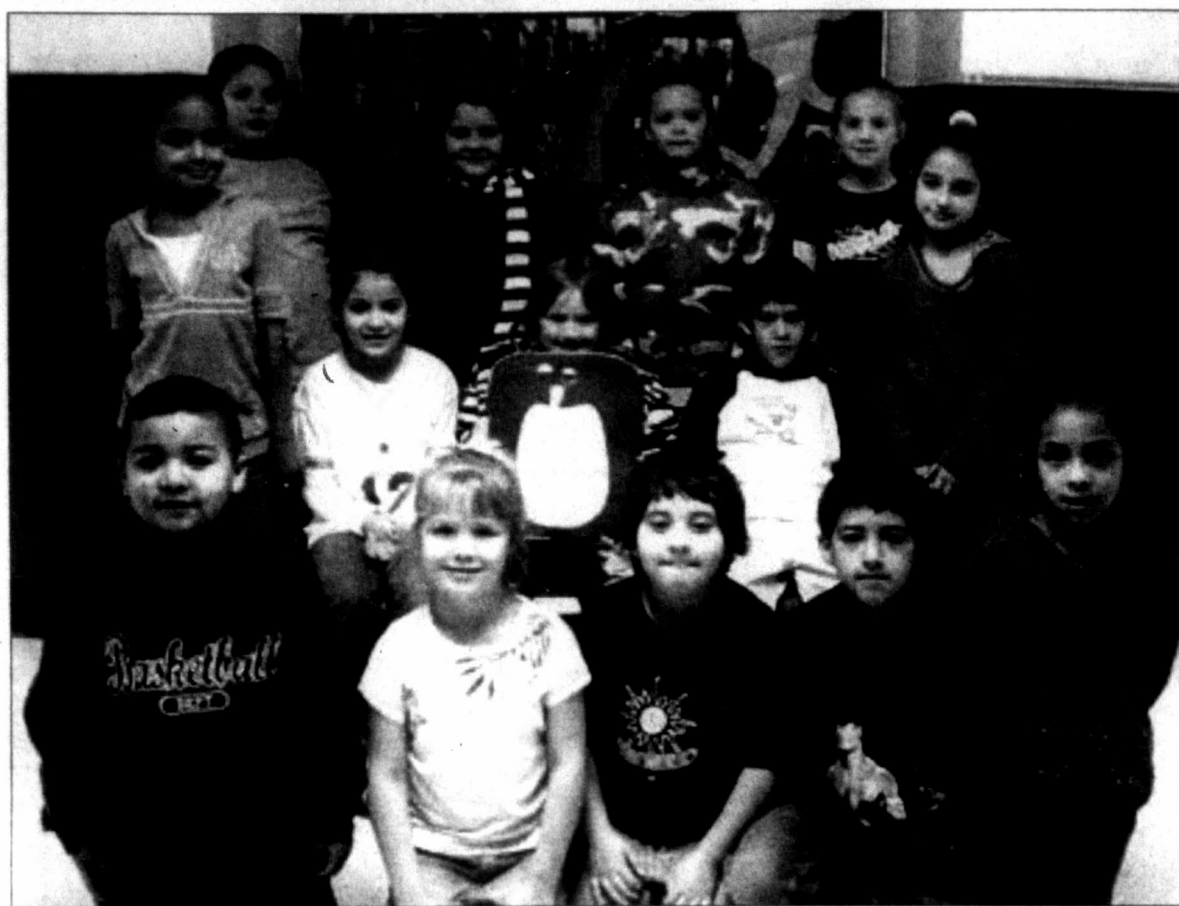
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SCHOOL NEWS



KELLEY HAS CLASS... Mrs. Waldrip's 2nd grade class is finishing their unit on penguins. Students in Mrs. Waldrip's class are: Alyssa Iglesias, Avian Hernandez, Cassie Ring, Chelsea Martinez, Chloe Castillo, Demetrio Davila, Erick Hernandez, Greg Gaona, Axton McDorman, Kaci Pharris, Kaitlyn Kimball, Railee Moore, Sara Roach, Shelby Harris, T.W. Jondle, Victor Acosta and Brady Polich.

SCHOOL MENUS

Colorado ISD Head Start
Breakfast Menu Jan. 28 - Feb. 1
 Monday - dry cereal, toast, chilled juice, milk.
 Tuesday - oatmeal, toast, chilled juice, milk.
 Wednesday - breakfast bites, chilled juice, milk.
 Thursday - yogurt, toast, chilled juice, milk.
 Friday - sausage, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Colorado ISD Head Start
Lunch Menu Jan. 28 - Feb. 1
 Monday - sloppy joe on a bun, oven fries, fresh veggies, applesauce, milk.
 Tuesday - ham chunks, slice bread and butter, sweet peas, mixed fruit, milk.
 Wednesday - hot dog, pork n beans, pears, milk.
 Thursday - chili beans, chilled tomatoes, cornbread, crushed pineapple, milk.
 Friday - hamburger on a bun, potato salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem.
Breakfast Menu Jan. 28 - Feb. 1
 Monday - sausage, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - biscuit and jelly, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Wednesday - breakfast burrito, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Thursday - scrambled egg, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Friday - dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem.
Lunch Menu Jan. 28 - Feb. 1
 Monday - pizza, glazed carrots, green beans, cookie, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - BBQ on bun, oven fries, pinto beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Wednesday - corn dog, baked beans, potato salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Thursday - tacos, spicy pinto, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Loraine ISD
Breakfast Menu Jan. 28 - Feb. 1
 Monday - cereal, toast, fruit, milk.
 Tuesday - sausage, biscuit, juice, milk.
 Wednesday - breakfast pockets, fruit, milk.
 Thursday - eggs, potatoes, toast, juice, milk.

Loraine ISD
Lunch Menu Jan. 28 - Feb. 1
 Monday - tacos, cheese, salad, beans, salsa, Spanish rice, peach cups, milk.
 Tuesday - tetrazzini, baby carrots, fruit, green beans, biscuit, milk.
 Wednesday - pizza sticks, orange halves, corn, salad, dressing, milk.
 Thursday - beans, meat, strawberries, salsa, pickle spears, cornbread, milk.

CMS & CHS
Breakfast Menu Jan. 28 - Feb. 1
 Monday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, waffles, syrup, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Wednesday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Thursday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, breakfast bites, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
 Friday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, breakfast sandwich, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

CMS & CHS
Lunch Menu Jan. 28 - Feb. 1
 Monday - taco salad, tasty rib basket, pizza, French fries, green beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Tuesday - chef salad with chicken, grilled ham and cheese, BBQ on a bun, potato wedges, pinto beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Wednesday - chef salad with ham, birdie on a bun, Salisbury steak, potatoes with gravy, sweet peas, hot roll, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Thursday - chef salad with bacon, burrito with cheese, chalupa, golden corn, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.
 Friday - garden salad, wolf burger, French fries, lettuce cup, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

SPORTS

Loraine quarterback named to all-state team

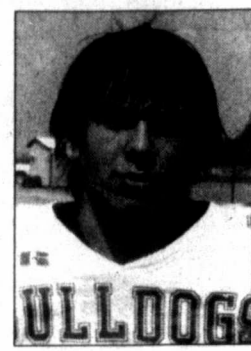
Jacob Sanchez would have made Oakland Raiders' owner Al Davis proud. He didn't throw for a billion yards or even score most of his team's touchdowns. All he did was help the Loraine Bulldogs win - and win a lot. For his efforts, the Loraine High School junior was recently named to the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association's Division II all-state squad. He was an honorable mention all-state selection along with Milford sophomore Adrian Pendleton. Sanchez, who helped lead Loraine to its first postseason appearance since 1994, threw for more than 1,000 yards this season as the team's starting quarterback. He also started at safety for the team on defense. Sanchez was among seven players from Loraine's district to be named to the Division II (small

school) all-state team, including four from District 4 champion, Jayton. Headlining Jayton's selections were senior running back Tyler Speed and utility back Jimmy Johnson. Both were first-team picks, as was Borden County punter Quentin Shafer. Trent defensive end Anthony Beaver was a second-team selection, while Sanchez was joined on the honorable mention list by Jayton junior utility back Caleb Harrison and senior nose guard Justin Seaton, and Trent cornerback Pat Karolweiz. Motley County's Isaiah Archer was tabbed the small-school's Player of the Year. He led the Matadors - who were formerly coached by Loraine's Rick Cooper - to the Division II state title in December. Cooper stepped down as the Mats' head coach

two years ago after being diagnosed with a serious illness.

Motley County's Bradley Brown was the Offensive MVP, while Woodson High School standout Robert Perez was the Division II Defensive MVP.

Current Motley County head coach Mike Bigham, who took over for Cooper, was the Coach of the Year recipient, while Follett's Cole Freeman earned the Newcomer of the Year accolades.



Jacob Sanchez

Lady 'Cats earn win over Ira

The Westbrook Lady Cats increased their district standings Fri., Jan. 18 when they beat Ira, 53-47. The Lady Cats are now 3-0 in district play. Ira came out strong in the first quarter to lead the Lady Cats 15-9, but that would be the last time the Lady Bulldogs would hold the lead. Beginning in the second

quarter, the Lady Cats turned it up and began adding points to the board. Keasha Krapf, Cassie Bass and Brooke Cannon all gave outstanding offensive and defensive performances. Krapf lead both offensively and defensively with 2 rebounds, 4 steals and 18 points. Following close behind were Bass with 9 rebounds, 2 steals

and 14 points and Cannon with 7 rebounds, 3 steals and 12 points. The Lady Wildcat score was greatly helped by the 3 point efforts of Krapf with four, Bass with 2 and Cannon with 1. Coach Cassie Petty, pleased with the win, stated "Milina Funderburg and Kimberlin Johnson gave quality minutes to the win."

CMS girls suffer losses to Anson and Hawley

The Colorado Middle School Lady Wolves seventh grade A team suffered a pair of tough losses last week, falling to the Anson Lady Tigers and Hawley Lady Bearcats. Despite 11 points from Hunter Messick, the CMS girls dropped a 27-22 decision to Anson on Jan. 7. Anson reeled off a 21-9 run in the first three quarters of play and then held off a furious CMS rally to claim the win. The Lady Wolves outscored Anson by a 13-6 clip in the final frame. Hope Sanchez was CMS' second-leading scorer with six points. Leslie Davila and Alys-

sa Leverton added two points apiece, while Destyne Gaona chipped in one. On Jan. 14, the CMS girls dropped a 33-21 decision to Hawley. In that game, Leverton scored a team-high nine points - three of which came on a buzzer-beating three-pointer at the half. Gaona added four points, while Davila and Messick both tallied three, while Whitney Ortiz scored two. The CMS girls are scheduled to compete in the Eula Junior High Basketball Tournament beginning on Jan. 26.

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SPORTS

Wolves sweep four games over Anson JV, Varsity girls enjoy blowout JV, Varsity Wolves dominate

Yet another strong third quarter resulted in a 65-36 blowout victory for the Colorado City Lady Wolves in District 5-2A basketball action at The Pit Friday night. The Lady Wolves led by only 12 points at halftime then almost tripled their lead by outscoring the visiting Anson Lady Tigers 24-6 in the third quarter.

Colorado City improved to 18-10 for the season and remained among the top three teams in district with a 6-3 league mark.

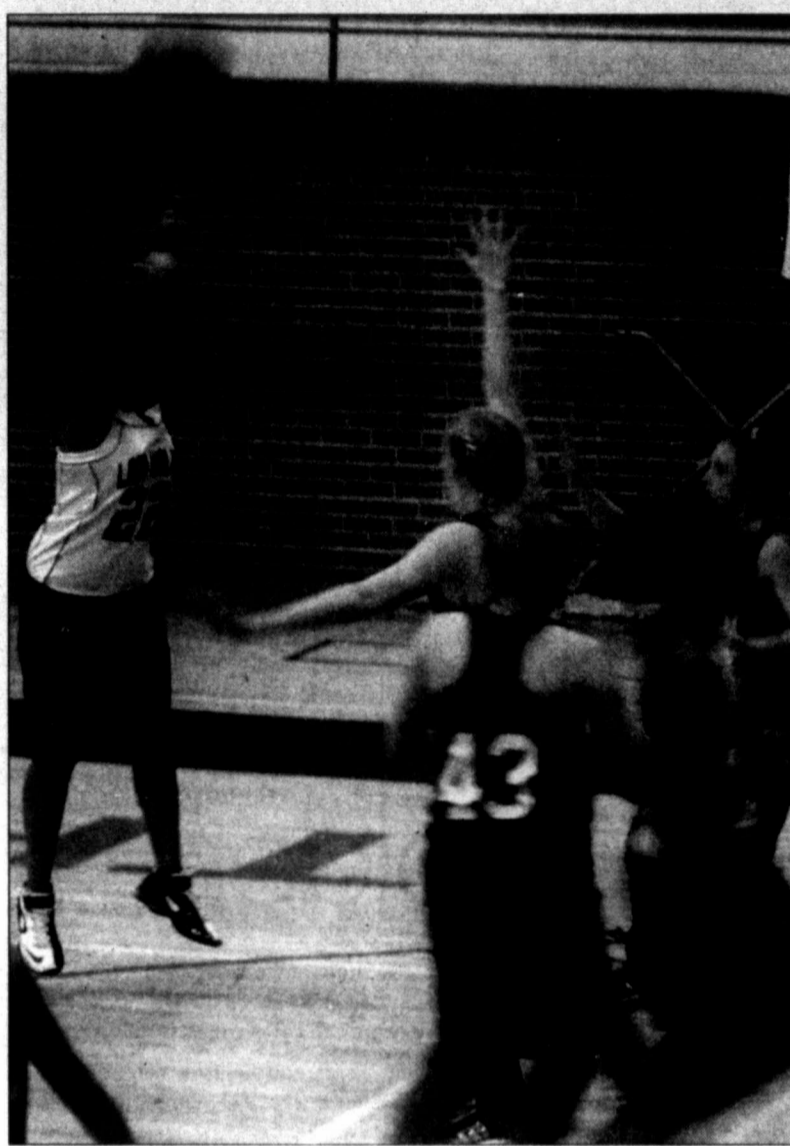
After 10 steals in the first half, the Lady Wolves began the second half with a bit of trickery before their defense came up with 7 more steals in the pivotal third quarter. Colorado City scored the last 12 points of the period to put the game out of reach with a 49-19 lead going into the final quarter.

Anson scored their last points of the third period with 3:37 remaining on the clock to make it a 37-19 Wolves lead. Senior post Crystal Stewart, the game's high scorer with 18 points, began the Lady Wolves' run with a put back on an offensive rebound. Guard Lachesha Johnson scored half of the 12 point run and had 10 points in the period. Junior guard Lauren Munoz's spark off the bench and two quick buckets finished the run.

Colorado City's lead ballooned to 33 points at 61-28 with 3:31 remaining in the contest.

The first half wasn't quite the same blowout for Colorado City. The Lady Wolves, despite 5 steals and limiting Anson to 4 points in the opening period, had their own troubles with turnovers and missed on many close range field goal attempts.

The struggles resulted in just a 13-4 lead after one period. Anson, 0-9 in district play, was still in contention throughout the first half and trailed by only 7 points at 20-13 with 3:29 left in the second period. "I was pleased to be within 10 points late in the first



ALYSSA MARTINEZ (22) FIRES A three-pointer in last week's game with Anson. The Lady Wolves posted a big 65-36 win over the Lady Tigers.

half," said second-year Tigers coach Marla Nunez. "In the third period they (Wolves) just took off."

One positive constant for the Lady Wolves in the first half was Stewart. With the team struggling to get their shots to fall in, Stewart controlled the paint with strong rebounding and worked herself to the free throw line. Stewart made 5 of 6 from the free throw line in the first half and scored the last 5 points of the second period to give Colorado City

a 25-13 halftime lead.

Scoring totals for the Wolves, who travel to Haskell tomorrow, were Stewart 18, Johnson 17, Letesha McDuffie 7, Janna Guerra 7, Munoz 6, Alyssa Martinez 4, Ilesha Taylor 2, Shelbi Turner 2 and Courtney Sutton 2. Laurin Spraberry led Anson with 15 points.

The Lady Wolves junior varsity, scheduled to host a District Tournament this Saturday, blasted the Tigers 43-11. Scoring for Colorado City were Breshanae White 11, Jade Cannon 9, Michelle Billingsley 6, Lisa Salazar 6, Ava Macedo 4, Brianna Biggers 4 and Averie Percy 3.

The Colorado High Wolves put a defensive stranglehold on the visiting Anson Tigers for a 64-34 District 5-2A basketball victory at The Pit Friday night. Colorado City limited Anson to 3 third period points in a victory that put the Wolves at .500 for the season.

Three players reached double figures for the Wolves, who are 12-12 for the season and 3-4 in District 5-2A.

The Wolves' defensive pressure started early and never let up. Overcoming 7 turnovers of their own in the opening period, the Wolves made two key three-point plays to take a 15-11 lead at the end of the first quarter. Junior forward Lance Espinoza converted a field goal and free throw to put Colorado City ahead 8-6 at 4:42 of the period.

Anson would lead again before junior Manuel Garza's drive and follow up free throw. Garza scored 8 of the Wolves 15 first period points.

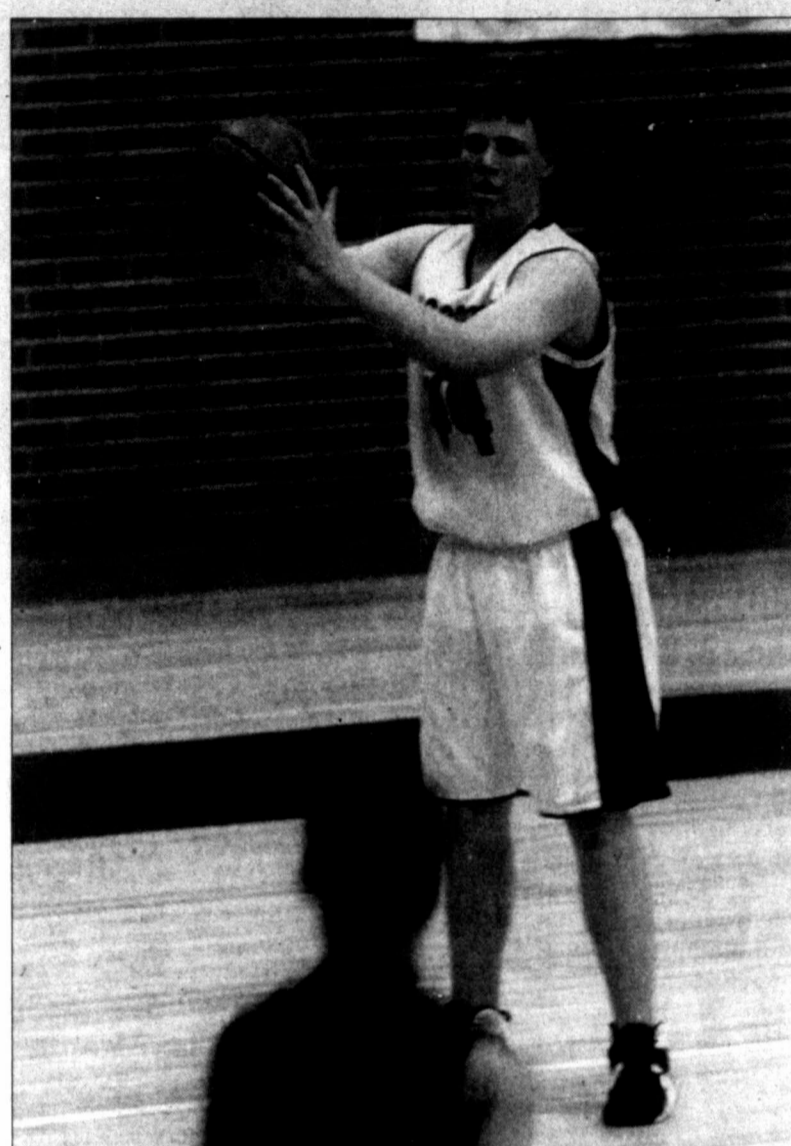
The Wolves increased the defensive pressure in the second period and didn't allow an Anson score until 5:13 of the quarter. Espinoza, who was the top scorer in the game with 16 points, converted 6 of 8 free throws in the period.

Colorado City led by as many as 18 points in the second period. The Wolves' Matt Wilson came off the bench, drew an offensive charge, then canned a 3 point shot to make it 34-16 for Colorado City with 3:00 left in the half.

Anson was almost held scoreless in the third period. Colorado City's defense didn't allow a Tigers field goal until 4:07 of the quarter and then limited the visitors to a single free throw for the remainder of the period.

Scoring totals for the Wolves, who will be in action at Haskell tomorrow, were Espinoza 16, Garza 11, Wilson 11, Simon Reyna 6, Clint White 6, Tyler Higgins 6, Kolby Free 4, Nick Hart 2 and Derrek Gutierrez 2. Blake Cates and Jeremy Whitaker scored 6 points for Anson.

The Colorado City junior var-



JV WOLVES NATHAN MCCRIGHT gets ready to pass the ball off in last Friday's 31-28 JV win over Anson. McCright led all scorers with 12.

sity Wolves found themselves in a tight struggle but held on for a 31-28 victory. The Pack holds a 6-1 district record and is scheduled to host a District Tournament Saturday.

Scoring for the Wolves were Nathan McCright 12, Nick Reyna 6, Blaze Alford 4, Ryan Gainey 3, J.C. Johnson 3, Jessie Guerra 2 and Kirk Leverton 1. Justin Gray led the Tigers with 8 points.

CMS seventh graders upend Hawley, remain unbeaten

Kristina Gaona and Erica McCright both pushed in four points last Monday and helped the Colorado Middle School seventh grade B team claim a thrilling 12-10 victory over the Hawley Lady Bearcats at "The Pit."

With the victory, Colorado City improved to 8-0 for the season.

The Lady Wolves' defense enabled Colorado City to keep its record unblemished with a strong effort in the fourth quarter. The CMS girls held Hawley scoreless in the final frame to cinch the win.

Colorado City and Hawley had

entered the fourth quarter with the score knotted at 10-10.

In addition to Gaona and McCright, the Lady Wolves also collected baskets from Morgan Ducacce and Kelly Salazar.

The CMS girls, who are coached by Kaci Moody, set up their game with Hawley a week earlier by dealing the Anson Lady Tigers an 18-9 setback.

In that game, Anjanette Gonzales led all CMS scorers with six points. Ana Lara, Ducasse, Brittany Vasquez, McCright, Jacqueline Mendoza and Salazar all contributed two points.

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CMS 8th grade girls lose to Haskell

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During the first half of play, the Lady Wolves outpaced Haskell 16-8, but momentum took a turn in the second half. The third quarter proved to be the pitfall with Haskell outscoring the Lady Wolves 6-1.

The Haskell girls' team came back to win a heart-breaker, 26-24.

Megan Bullard led her team in scoring with 7 points, Miranda Reyna pitched in 5 and Lauran Meeks and Adriana Gomez each added 4.

Lady Bulldogs lose to Borden County, 53-40

The Loraine Lady Bulldogs' depth continued to be a thorn in their side as the Borden County Lady Coyotes came from behind to defeat Loraine by a score of 53-40 by outscoring them 32-14 in the second half in action played in Loraine last Tuesday night.

Loraine led by 15-11 at the end of the first quarter, and went into the end of the first half with a 26-21 lead.

With only seven girls suited out, and several getting in foul trouble, the Borden County girls began to swing the game their way with a 21-8 third quarter run that gave them a 42-34 lead going into the final quarter. The Lady Bulldogs were outscored 11-6 in the final quarter of the contest.

Leading the Lady Bulldogs was Claudia Barrera with 11 points while Junell Ruth just missed double figures with eight points and Whitney Martin came away with nine. Felicia Gibson and Meagan Sanchez each had six points in the loss.

"It's hard to play two good halves without the substitutes you need to have to stay fresh," said head coach Tonia Edens. "You begin to get tired late in the game. We played hard all the way through and I am proud of them for that."



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LORAINE NEWS

By Bessie Ann Vaughn
Loraine Correspondent

Danny and Pam Butler went to New Mexico, the Guadalupe Mountain Ranch of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marian Hughes, recently to help her dad celebrate his birthday.

Pam's siblings were also there as well. They are Brad and Cathy Hughes from Euless, A.J. and Amy from Ohio and her brother Salty and his wife Debbie, who hosted the party.

They had a big dinner and enjoyed visiting with each other.

Vida Mae McDaniel played piano prior to the message on Sunday morning at First Baptist Church. Ina Vay McAdams, the usual pianist, was absent. Danny Butler and Cindy Hackfeld sang two special songs, also prior to the message.

On Sunday, January 27, the Baptist church will host an evening of singing. Everyone is welcome to attend.

President Joan Long opened a Loraine Ex-Student Association

meeting on January 19 at the Senior Center.

After a pot luck buffet, a business meeting was held. New directors were selected for the year. New directors are Ruth Browning Kelly, Melanie Oliver, Becky Hudgins, Duane Linam and Carl Graham.

It was voted on to keep the same officers for another year. Officers are Joan Long, president; Connie Liles Elkins, vice president; Helene Calaway, secretary; and Pat Hudgins, treasurer.

The attendants set the budget for the year. Financial statements were worked on and other things were discussed, such as the next homecoming.

We had enough wind here in Loraine Sunday to turn a lot of turbines. We could have had enough electrical power to run a car all the way to the north country and back.

Hank Millering was on my concern list earlier but Jan tells me that he is doing well at this time. She was rooting for the Green Bay Packers and very serious about

the matter when I called to check on Hank.

Visiting Billie Powell over the weekend were his cousin from Garland, Carrie McDonald and two daughters, Amber and Emily. The girls are the granddaughters of Opal and Wesley Chamness.

Providing special music last Sunday at the Methodist church were Bobby Richardson, Charlene Hays and Ginny Harmon. The ladies sang and Bobby played guitar. Their selection was "Down in the River".

Sylvester Rose of Wichita Falls came to see his mom Sunday. They visited a lot, then he took Millie out to eat in Big Spring. They also did a little shopping.

Visiting with Virgil Parnell last week were his son and daughter-in-law, Clyde and Etta, from Big Spring.

Amanda Smith and her two sons have bought the former home of Jack and Linda Kidd at 305 S. Lightfoot Street. We hope they enjoy their new residence.

I had a nice time with my family Sunday afternoon. They brought a nice meal, and we had fun. My son did some chores for me, and we tried to settle all the

world's problems.

Joan Long reported that Ina Vay McAdams felt well enough to attend church with her last Sunday.

Durwood's foot is some better but he is still having problems with it. They both were to make doctor's appointments this week.

Dorothy Norwood from Snyder and Charles Dunn from Colorado City provided special music for the seniors last Monday. Dorothy plays piano and sings and Charles plays bass guitar.

Bro. Kiefer Cauble and Charlene Hays shared their talents with the attendants last Wednesday.

Last Friday, seniors had visitation and played bingo.

Visitors at the center last week were Clyde and Etta Parnell of Big Spring. They visited and had dinner with Clyde's dad, Virgil Parnell. Tanner and Hunter Harmon, grandsons of Brenda Linam, were also there.

Seniors with birthdays in January are: Ann Gregory, Arlis Cotton, Lenetta DuBose, Carl Flack, Earlene Dunn, Dena Troutt, Ruth Cooper, Dominga Hernandez and Paula Munoz.

Bulldogs lose to Hermleigh

Despite leading the game the first three quarters, the Loraine Bulldogs came up on the short end of a 42-38 loss to the Hermleigh Cardinals in action played in Hermleigh last Friday night.

Loraine led 15-10 at the end of the first quarter, and, despite a very slow second quarter where they could only muster two points, took a slight 17-15 lead into the lockers at the half.

The Bulldogs led 30-27 after three quarters of play, but a 15-8 fourth quarter run by Hermleigh doomed the Bulldogs. The game was back and forth in the final five

minutes, and was knotted at 36-36 with just over two minutes left to play on a Derek Martinez free throw.

Hermleigh took the lead for good with 1:11 left in the game on a layup, but Loraine made a valiant effort with three-point range shots in the final minute that would not fall.

Head Bulldog coach Bo Sills was disappointed in the loss. "We had our chances to win, but nothing seemed to go in," said Sills. "The last quarter we just couldn't hold them off. They never gave up."

Lady Bulldogs hold on to hopes of postseason

The Loraine Lady Bulldogs kept their slim hopes of a postseason playoff with a convincing 62-41 win over the Hermleigh Lady Cardinals in action played in Hermleigh last Friday night.

The Lady Bulldogs jumped off to an early 15-8 first quarter lead, and on a 12-6 second quarter run took a 27-14 lead into the locker room at the half.

At the end of three quarters Loraine was holding on to a 39-25 lead, and finished strong with a 23-16 final quarter run to put the Lady Cardinals away.

Senior Junell Ruth topped all Lady Bulldogs with 30 points while Felicia Gibson canned 15 as well as hitting a trey. Loraine head coach Tonja Edens was glad to get the win.

"After the past two games where we lost close games it was good to come away with a win against Hermleigh," said Edens. "We played much better together tonight and that is what we're looking for. We need to have more quality play in order to reach our goal of making the playoffs."

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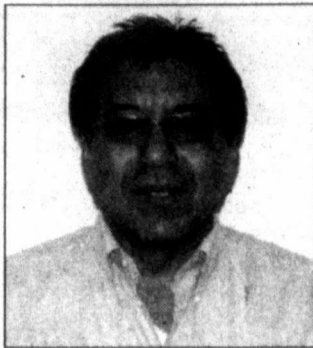
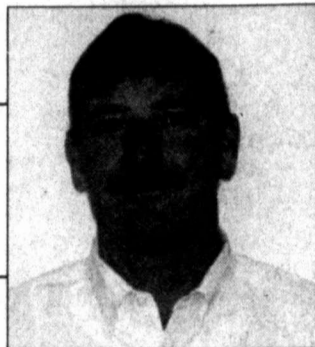
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- * Deputy Sheriff with Nolan County Sheriff's Office (1976-1979)
- * District Attorney - Nolan, Mitchell and Fisher Counties (1989-1996)

- * Over 25 years as a Lions Club member
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