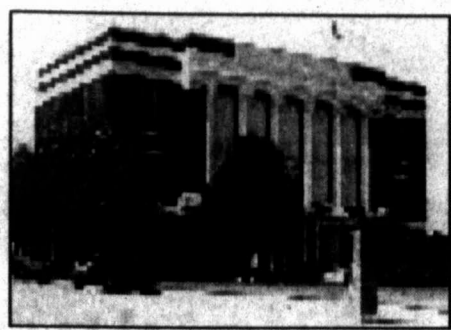




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Colorado City, Loraine & Westbrook



DESPITE RECEIVING LESS THAN glowing results over the past two years, Loraine ISD officials are confident the school is making progress.

New teachers + new attitude = making strides

Loraine superintendent
confident staff can help
school get on track

Tommy Wells

Colorado City Record

Sitting at the eastern end of the county, Loraine Independent School District might as well have been on a different planet — a very distant planet — from Mitchell County's other two school districts in Colorado City and Westbrook.

How different? Well, using a scale based on the alphabet if Colorado Independent School District with its size and numbers was an A and Westbrook ISD with its mineral and land tax base was a B ... Loraine might have been classified as a U.

U as in ... unimpressive.

That was just two years ago.

That was before superintendent Eric Stod-
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Six things parents should know about TAKS

1. Students in grades 3 through 11 take the TAKS each spring. TAKS measures student performance in statewide curriculum in reading in grades 3 through 9; in writing in grades 4 and 7; in English language arts in grades 10 and 11; in math in grades 3 through 11; in science in grades 5, 8, 10 and 11; and in social studies in grades 8, 10 and 11.
2. Passing the Exit Level TAKS in high school is a requirement for graduation. As of 2005, students must pass the Exit Level TAKS to get their diplomas. The test covers four subject areas: English language arts, social studies, math and science. Students first take the Exit Level TAKS in the spring of the 11th grade and have several chances to pass if they fail in one or all of the subject areas.
3. Passing the TAKS is a requirement for promotion to grades 4 and 6. Grade 3 students who do not pass the grade 3 TAKS in reading will not be promoted to the next grade level. Students have three opportunities to take the test: in March, April and July, and they receive remedial help if they do not pass. If a student is retained, parents can appeal to a grade-placement committee at the local school. As of the 2004-2005 school year, grade 5 students were required to pass the TAKS in reading and math to be promoted to sixth grade. Beginning in 2007-2008, grade 8 students will be required to pass the grade 8 TAKS to be promoted to ninth grade.
4. Students classified as limited English proficient follow a slightly different path. Students identified as Limited English proficient (LEP) can take the TAKS in Spanish for up to 3 years.
5. The TAKS tests the skills outlined in the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) learning standards. In 1998 the Texas Education Agency implemented these learning standards for each grade. The standards outline what students should learn in every grade in Texas. TAKS tests are designed to test the grade-level skills outlined in the standards.
6. Some students take the State-Developed Alternative Assessment (SDAA) instead of the TAKS. Students enrolled in special education programs and students for whom the TAKS is deemed inappropriate take the alternative assessment. Qualified students take the version of the test that best fits their learning expectations as outlined by their admission, review and dismissal committees (ARD). The alternative assessment tests students in reading, writing and mathematics and is designed to measure annual progress.

Anderson to appear on TV's 'Wheel of Fortune' on Feb. 9

One of Colorado City's own will make her prime time debut on national television this Friday, Feb. 9.

Colorado City High School graduate Kendra Anderson is scheduled to appear on the game show "Wheel of Fortune" this Friday. The show is scheduled to air at 6:30 p.m. on Abilene's KTAB station.

The daughter of Susan and Woody Anderson, the 25-year-old college basketball coach



Kendra Anderson

at Charleston Southern University was a contestant on the show on Jan. 12. During the show, she won a large sum of money.

"It was pretty nervous," said Anderson, who grew up watching the show with her grandfather Warren Anderson. "It's a lot harder than sitting on the couch and playing along. There are so many things going on it, it's pretty nerve-racking."



MEMBERS OF JOAN TOLLE'S sixth-period class display the three new flags Colorado Middle School donated to the Mitchell County Hospital District for the Veteran's Memorial. Standing with the flags are (from left to right) Kyle Beights, Mandy Baker, Matthew Guerra, Matthew Potter, Ashley Alaniz, Juan Beltran, Kendra Tillis and Jadrian Dominguez.

Candidates can file for city, school, hospital boards

Tommy Wells

Colorado City Record

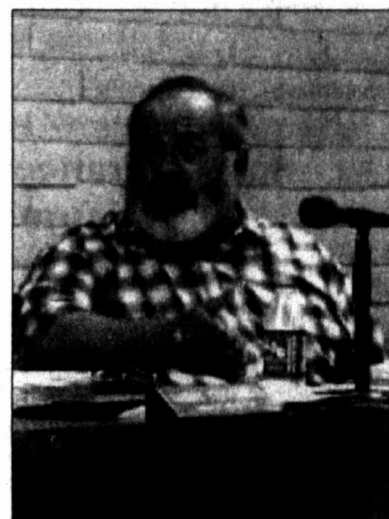
The 2007 election season will officially get underway next Monday when candidates can file for seats on the Colorado City City Council and all three local school districts. The first day for candidates to file is Saturday, Feb. 10, although most city and school offices won't be open until Monday, Feb. 12.

Colorado City voters will have plenty of possible candidates on the ballot this May as four spots on the city council, including the mayor, will be up for re-election. The mayor's position is an at-large spot meaning all residents of the city will be able to cast ballots in the election. Only those residents residing within a given district can vote in the city council races.

The mayor's position is currently held by Jim Baum since May of 2005. He had previously served as mayor from 1987 to 2001.

Three two-year positions on the city council will be up for election, including those of Mayor Pro-tem Sammy Contreras and councilmen Robert McNeal and Justin Harris.

Contreras, who was first elected to office in 1991, represents District



CITY COUNCILMAN ROBERT MCNEAL (above) will be one of several city leaders that could seek re-election this May. In all, three spots on the city council will be up for vote, as will the mayor's position.

1. McNeal and Harris represent District 2 and District 5, respectively.

Two seats will be up on the Colorado Independent School District. Up for vote will be the Place 3 seat

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County to begin charging 7 percent penalty on taxpayers

Tommy Wells

Colorado City Record

If you own property within Mitchell County and you haven't made it in to pay taxes, guess what ... you had better bring a few extra dollars.

Beginning Feb. 1, the Mitchell County Tax Assessor/Collector's office will be adding a 7 percent penalty and interest -- 6 percent penalty and 1 percent interest -- charged to all payments.

That total will increase over the next few months, Tax Assessor/Collector Fay Lee said, increasing to 11 percent by April. Any account

unpaid by July will be considered delinquent and have attorney fees charged.

"It's important for people to get their taxes paid early so they won't face any extra penalties and interest. If people can get it in as soon as possible they can save themselves some money."

Through Feb. 6, Lee said the county had collected 93.55 percent of its taxes. Through the end of January a year ago, the county had collected just 92.15 percent.

Normally the county collects on about 98 percent of its taxes per year.

Deadline for submitting CIA home repair applications nearing

Tommy Wells

Colorado City Record

The deadline for Colorado City community members 65 and older to submit applications to participate in the Christmas In Action program is rapidly approaching.

CIA organizers have announced applications for the 2007 home improvement effort must be turned in by Friday,

Feb. 16. Applications can be obtained at the Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce during regular business hours.

The program -- which involves volunteers from throughout the county working to renovate older homes in need of repairs -- is primarily for Mitchell County senior citizens who are unable to make needed improvements.

Chamber banquet tickets on sale

Tickets to the 2007 Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet are still on sale at the chamber office or at any of the three local banking institutions.

At the Feb. 17 event residents will get the opportunity to hear TXU's domestic public policy director,

Thomas W. Rose, speak.

The banquet will be held at the Colorado City Civic Center. Tickets are \$13 apiece.

The meal for the event will consist of mesquite-grilled steak or boneless chicken breast and all the

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Around Town

Happy anniversary Gabriel & Sherri Gonzales... Happy 82nd birthday Alma Smith (Feb. 8)... Happy birthday Belinda Garrett (Feb. 9)... Happy belated 9th birthday Alex Trujillo (Feb. 2)... Valentine's Day is next Wednesday! ... Kyla McGuffin having trouble with an iron...

Answerline

Q. How many tickets have been sold for the Chamber Banquet?
A. Chamber officials said Tuesday afternoon that about 100 tickets have been sold and they encourage everyone that's planning on attending to purchase their ticket as soon as possible.

Obituaries

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Ellon Burson, Austin
Frances Smith, Hugo, OK
Betty Jo Dockrey, Colorado City
Mary Louise Bell, Fort Worth
Ronald Appling, Colorado City
Gannon Williams, Midland

Briefs

Howl Night
Howl Night at Vegas will be held at the CHS Auditorium on Thurs., Feb. 15 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets will be \$5 per person and can be purchased from Ann Bazany at the CHS library. Seating is limited. For more information, contact Mrs. Bazany at 728-3424.

CISD Retired Employee Luncheon
Colorado Middle School students

are sponsoring a CISD retired employee luncheon on Tuesday, February 13. The luncheon will be held in the principal's annex at 12:00. If you plan to attend, please call the school office at 728-2673. If you are unable to call, we still invite you to attend. Funds for the luncheon were raised by CMS students.

Valentine Banquet
Primera Iglesia Bautista El Cal-

vario will host their annual Christian Valentine Banquet, entitled Life With Love featuring Crystal Rivers. The banquet will be held at the Civic Center, at 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 11.

Football Equipment
All participants of the PeeWee Football program are urged to return any remaining equipment to Texas Caps & T-Shirts, 259 E. 2nd or call John Martinez at 728-8367.

Thought of the Week

Why is it our children can't read a Bible in school, but they can in prison?

Lake Levels

(as of February 6, 2007)
Lake Colorado City...2064.50'
Full at 2070.3' Down 5.80'
La'e Champion...2040.28'
Full at 2083' Down 42.72'

LOCAL NEWS

OBITUARIES

Ellon Burson 1922-2007

Ellon Burson, 85, of Austin, died Feb. 2, 2007. Mrs. Burson was born Ellon Perryman on Feb. 2, 1922 in the Red Springs Community in East Texas. After Pearl Harbor, she joined the WACs and served until 1945. She first met her husband, Guy Cleveland Burson when she was transferred to Hondo, TX where he was the Non-Commissioned Officer that she reported to. They were married on May 18, 1944 and she was discharged from the WACs having served during WWII, to give birth to their first son, Guy Michael Burson. Mrs. Burson was a devout Southern Baptist and member of Eastern Star.

Mrs. Burson is survived by son, Timothy Lynn Burson of Defiance, Missouri; grandchildren, Jefferson Collins Burson of Seattle, Washington, Jennifer Lynn Blue of Flower Mound, Texas, and Lari Michelle Burson and Reid Michael Burson of Austin; great-grandsons, Dayton Blue and Dylan Blue; and sisters, Virginia Scharlow and Odell Jacobs.

Mrs. Burson was preceded in death by her husband Guy of 32 years; son, Guy Michael Burson; parents, Ernest Melvin Perryman and Fanny Curry Perryman; sisters, Gertrude, Core, Evelyn, and Delores; and brother, Leon.

The family suggests that, in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to the American Cancer Society, Hospice Austin at 4107 Spicewood Springs Road, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78759, or the Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (Office for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services) at 4800 N. Lamar Blvd., 3rd Floor, Austin, Texas 78756.

Frances Smith 1919-2007

Frances Smith, 87, mother of Ann Hallmark, died Jan. 31, 2007, in Hugo, OK.

She was born to John W. and Lola Spence Massey on Feb. 16, 1919, in Wood County. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Sanford Smith; one son, Wayland Smith; one daughter, Shirley Williams; and two grandsons, Ricky Hallmark and Ashley Cox.

She is survived by one son, William S. Smith of Dallas; three daughters, Evelyn Hadley of Paris; Glenda Prater of Hugo, OK, and Ann Hallmark of Lorraine; 14 grandchildren; 34-great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Fri., Feb. 2, at Prater, Lampton, Mills & Coffey Funeral Home Chapel with burial at Hall's Cemetery in Antlers, OK.

Betty Jo Dockrey 1926-2007

Mrs. Betty Jo Dockrey, age 80, of Colorado City, died Mon., Feb. 5, 2007, in an Abilene hospital. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church in Colorado City with Rev. Jerry Shields officiating. Burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery, under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Dockrey was born May 24, 1926, in Sweetwater to Robert and Ollie Horton Glass and was a longtime resident of Colorado City. She married J.O. Dockrey on Oct. 26, 1975 in Lovington, NM. She was a former waitress and had worked for the CUSD cafeteria system. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Colorado City.

She is survived by her husband, J.O. Dockrey of Colorado City; a daughter, Donna and husband, Steve Owens of Colorado City; three grandchildren, Macey Owens of Colorado City, Reece Borcik of Lorraine and Sonny Lindsey of East Texas; two great-grandchildren, Justin Fisk and Mason Lindsey, both of Lorraine; and a sister, Thelma Jones of San Angelo.

Mary Louise Bell 1926-2007

Mary Louise Bell, 80, a registered nurse, died Sunday, Feb. 4, 2007, in Fort Worth.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church in Granbury. Burial followed in Holly Hills Memorial Park. Rosary: 7 p.m. Tuesday at Wiley Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bell was born Feb. 21, 1926, in Oklahoma. She married Carl Edwin Bell, Jan. 16, 1953, in Big Spring. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and four brothers, Chester Endrizz, Louis Endrizz, Michael Endrizz and Oreste Endrizz.

Survivors include a son, Timothy C. Bell of Blanco; brother, John Endrizz and wife, Yvonne, of Tucson, AZ; several nieces and nephews; friend and caregiver, Mona Edwards of Granbury and her family.

Ronald Appling

Ronald Appling, 68, died Jan. 30, 2007, in Mitchell County Hospital. Mr. Appling had owned his own construction company, Appling Construction since 1981.

Survivors include his wife, Charline Appling of Colorado City; his son, Ronald Allen and wife, Deanna Appling of Plainview; his mother, Evelyn Polk of Rotan; and sister, Peggy Driver of Sweetwater.

Gannon Williams 1995-2007

Gannon Williams died Sat., Feb. 3, 2007. He was 11 years old.

Gannon Troy Williams was born Feb. 18, 1995 in Katy. Gannon loved playing baseball with the Diamond-backs in Hobbs, NM. He was also a fan of wrestling. Gannon was attending George W. Bush Elementary in Midland.

He is survived by his father, Shane Williams of Hobbs; his mother, Rachel Williams of Midland; two sisters, Kana and Bree of Midland; paternal grandparents, Calvin and Brenda Elrod of Katy and Lloyd Williams of Seattle, WA; maternal grandparents, Bill Gatchell of Hobbs, NM and Shirley and Ward Hawkins of Colorado City.

Services will be held Thurs., Feb. 8 at 2 p.m. at Christian Center Church with Pastor Jotty Kinney officiating. Burial will follow at Prairie Haven Memorial Park.

First United Methodist Church
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Celebration
1882-2007
Weekend of
April 13, 14, 15, 2007

Howl Night at Vegas festivities to be held Feb. 15 in CHS auditorium

Howl Night at Vegas will be held Feb. 15 at the Colorado High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased from Ann Bazany at CHS. The night promises to be fun as students will be performing and class favorites will be chosen. One girl and one boy will be selected from each category by tallying votes from the student body.

Nominees for favorites are:

King and Queen Howl

Tanner Cox
Zack Rangel
Jerrold Ward
Michelle Arispe
Kirby Matlock
Lana Perez

Sophomore Favorite

Lance Espinoza
Corey Owens
Clint White
Isabel Duarte
Lauren Munoz
Carmen Rivera

Most Likely to Succeed

Lee Beddingfield
Axel Lewis
Angel Sosa
Kirby Matlock
Brittanny McKinney
Kelly Morris

Best Smile

Tanner Cox
Nick Edwards
Alfredo Ventura
Sequise Jones
Sonya Rocha
Christa Valdivia

Most Athletic

Jamarcus Denson
Kolby Free
Jose Gonzalez
Jessica Castillo
Lacresha Johnson

Tickets still available for Opry's Fiddling 'Frenchie' Burke concert

Carl Graham

Colorado City Record
Tickets are still available on a first-come, first-serve basis for Thursday's Fiddling "Frenchie" Burke concert at the C-City Opry. Burke, who has been one of the most well-received artists to appear at the Opry, is making a return to the C-City Opry by popular demand.

"We do have a few tickets left, but I could not guarantee that they will be the night of the concert," said Debby Mitchell, wife of Opry organizer Doyle "Shady" Mitchell. Ticket sales have begun to pick up now that the weather is beginning to get better.

Opry fans can purchase tickets at Dandy's Diner or call Mitchell at 737-2163 to place your ticket order. The price is \$20 per ticket, and you can use your Visa or Master Card to purchase the tickets.

The late Don Walser's Pure Country band has been scheduled for Saturday, March 31, and this

Paige Newby

Junior Favorite

Kolby Free
Nathan Hawkins
Orlando Moreno
Catherine Dolan
Georgiana Guerra
Valerie Martinez

Most Academic

Lee Beddingfield
J.D. Clay
Ryan Graham
Catherine Dolan
Kelly Morris
Sarah Smith

Funniest

Dustin Espinoza
Orlando Moreno
Matt Sowa
Isabel Duarte
Lacresha Johnson
Kateshia Russell

Most Courteous

Lee Beddingfield
Daniel Perez
Clint White
Tia Huff
Tamara Lelek
Lana Perez

Freshman Favorite

Jamarcus Denson
Tyler Higgins
Dylan Hulme
Jordan Hammond
Kandace Johnson
Laura Warren

Most Dependable

Zach Garza
Axel Lewis
Matt Sowa
Michelle Arispe
Marisol Salazar
Laura Warren

Most Talented

Zach Garza
Dylan Hulme

concert is sure to be a sell out.

"Almost everyone in West Texas who follows country music has heard of the late Don Walser as he grew up in Lamesa," said Mitchell. "He has one of the most talented band members that can be assembled."

The curtain will rise on Thursday's concert at 7 p.m.

Orlando Moreno

Kate Dannheim

Catherine Dolan

Lacresha Johnson

Best Dressed

Nick Edwards
Axel Lewis
Daniel Perez
Isabel Duarte
Maegan Lopez
Kirby Matlock

Most Handsome & Beautiful

Jamarcus Denson
Jose Gonzalez
Zane Whitesides
Sequise Jones
Maegan Lopez
Lauren Munoz

Senior Favorite

Dustin Espinoza
Jose Gonzalez
Eric Roman
Kim Harris

Marisol Salazar

Kassondra Shoals

Friendliest

Zach Garza
Eric Roman
Zane Whitesides
Tamara Lelek
Morgan Maddox
Lauren Munoz

Best All Around

Kolby Free
Tyler Higgins
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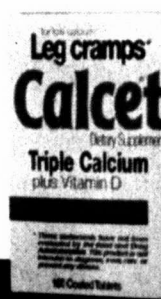
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RACES

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currently held by Larry Mason and the Place 7 seat held by Cecilia Scott. Both seats are 3-year terms.

In Westbrook, candidates can file for three positions on the Westbrook Independent School District board. Among the at-large terms expiring are those of Tom Whitesides and Lynn Gaston. WISD will also be holding an election to fill one unexpired term. Jason Morris was appointed to fill a vacancy on the board by the departure of Chip Roemisch. Whoever is elected to

the position will complete the remaining year of the term and have to run for re-election in 2008.

In Loraine, two seats will be available on the Loraine school board, including the at-large spots currently held by school board president Frank Garcia and secretary Rose Marie Aguilar.

Three positions will be available in the Loraine municipal election, including mayor. Currently Ina Vay McAdams serves as Loraine's mayor.

Also up for vote are the at-large spots on the Loraine council now held by Shirley Kendall and Susan Sanchez.

The municipal and school board elections will be held jointly on May 12. A new state law requires school districts to stage elections for its board of trustees with a municipality or other political subdivisions holding the general elections for state and county offices.

The Mitchell County Hospital Board will also be holding elections.

SCHOOL

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dard rolled into the small community of approximately 600 people and quietly declared the status quo was no longer acceptable. The Loraine school district — no, its students — deserved, and would get, better.

Much better, he vowed. Less than 20 months later, high school science teacher Jeffrey Stockton walks through the halls of Loraine High School and marvels at the changes. A positive self-image is returning.

To be sure, the district is still struggling to get to the state-mandated levels associated with the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills curriculum for math and science, but change is happening. Stoddard last week sent out a letter to all LISD parents notifying them the district had failed to meet the required Math and Science scores for the past two years, but also added the news will get better.

"There has been this perception by some that our students weren't as good as others. That's not true at all," said Stoddard, noting the district would be required to send out letters again next year. "Our students are as good, or better, than any one else's. We've worked hard over the past couple of years to change that, and things are going to get better."

"Is it going to happen in a day? No. We didn't get where we are in a day," he added.

In the letter to LISD parents, Stoddard announced the school recorded a success rate of less than 50 percent on math and science TAKS tests taken in the 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 school years. By having less than 50 percent pass twice during a three-year period, the school had to notify parents they were eligible to move their students to another district.

The numbers are a bit deceiving, Stoddard admits. Unlike large communities that have different principals for their high school, junior high and elementary levels — and can therefore count each level

independently in testing — Loraine has one principal for all grades. According to state guidelines, a school with one principal must use TAKS results from all grades to determine its success rate. Had Loraine High School and Loraine Junior High School been counted independently, both would have received passing marks.

The numbers are also skewed a bit for small schools, said Stoddard.

"For small schools it comes down to numbers," he said. "If you look at a class that has nine students and six of them pass, you have a 66 percent success rate. If just one more pass, you're looking at about an 80 percent rate. In a small school every child counts. When you only have so many, one or two can make the difference in passing or not."

Stoddard, who served as principal at Coolidge High School during a period in which the small East Texas district was given 'Exemplary' and 'Recognized' status by the state, said one of the first things he did when he arrived in Loraine was let it be known he valued high-quality teachers and an approach that the proverbial wheel didn't need to be re-invented ... just changed.

"I've always thought we should look at what has traditionally been successful when it comes to educating our students," he said. "As educators, we're always looking at what is new coming down the line. I'm of the opinion, why do we have to re-create the wheel all the time?"

Upon arriving, Stoddard began making changes. The district also did away with the practice of rotating elementary students between classes — allowing one teacher to instruct students on all core subjects, and requiring those students who had not performed well on the TAKS to attend summer school in an effort to provide additional support.

He also began molding the LISD staff. To date, LISD has brought in a highly-regarded math teacher

(Tanja Edens), convinced science teacher Jeffrey Stockton to remain on staff and hired former Marfa ISD employee Bivian Hermosillo as the school's principal.

"I know what kind of staff it takes to get us to where we want to be," he said. "Teaching at a small school isn't for everyone. I'm not saying the people that were here aren't good teachers because they probably were. They may not have been right for the level we need. It takes a pretty unique person to be able to come in and teach several different levels of math or science. We needed to find those people, and I think we have."

"I honestly believe we have some of the best teachers around. I can't prove that yet, but when the results start coming back I'm sure we'll see how well they have done," said Stoddard.

"We've made some big changes," he added. "We feel like we're going to be successful. We have some really gifted teachers in place and every one of them are certified in the areas they teach."

Stockton, who also serves as the school's head football coach, said he is amazed at the change in the school. A sense of pride has returned to the students and staff.

"I know the numbers don't say it right now, but this isn't the same school it was before Mr. Stoddard arrived," he said. "It took us a little while, but this is a good school now. He (Stoddard) told me when he got here to give him a little time and things would get better."

"It's like night and day," Stockton said.

The Colorado and Westbrook school district both received passing grades from the state during the last TAKS periods.

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THIRD PLANET WINDPOWER development director Bud Leigh speaks with Loraine residents during a meeting to discuss a proposed 100-unit wind park.

Loraine residents may land deal for additional turbines

Tommy Wells
Colorado City Record

Loraine could be about to go green ... as in the color of money and clean energy.

Sweetwater attorney Zollie Steakly meet with a group of Loraine landowners Tuesday evening at the Loraine Senior Citizens Center to discuss a potential wind energy deal with a Michigan-based company. The deal, according to Third Planet Windpower development director Bud Leigh, would call for approximately 100 wind turbines to be placed near Loraine.

Under the proposed contract, Third Planet Windpower, of Bad Axe, Mich., would pay landowners more than \$100,000 in exchange for a 36-month agreement to begin building a wind park estimated to be worth more than \$300 million.

Under the contract each landowner that is part of the roughly 15,000 acre tract would receive money in the deal.

Should the landowners okay the deal, Third Planet Windpower would join Airticity as wind energy developers in Mitchell County.

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Conaway, Darby to visit Colorado City

U.S. Congressman Mike Conaway and Texas State Representative Drew Darby are scheduled to make stops in Colorado City next week to meet with residents.

Conaway will visit the community from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Feb. 13 at the Mitchell Co. Courthouse Law Library. Darby, who represents Mitchell County as part of House District 72, will be in town from 1:15 p.m. on Feb. 16 to speak at the Noon's Lions Club on legislative updates.

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The narrow, winding roads of the big island

We'll go back to the Big Island of Hawaii. We did a lot in the week we were there, but there are so many more things we want to see and do. Like malasadas. Portuguese donuts. They are hot items on the BI. When we went to a bakery to get some, they were sold out.

I also want to spend more time at Polulu, one of the most scenic spots. I want to perhaps stay at Waimea, voted one of the top places to live in the US. I want to visit the seahorse farm between Kona's airport and harbor.

We had visited Oahu and Kawai before and fell in love with both of those islands, but the Big Island seems to be more diverse. The beautiful flowers and trees are there for sure. At intersections of main streets in Kona, acres of pink and white bougainvillea drape the hillsides.

We visited coffee and macadamia plantations; saw bananas, papayas and mangoes ripening on trees. We saw fan palms and coconut palms. Coconuts fall from trees without much notice and some people get hurt every year when a coconut bonks them on their heads.

We went to the Sheraton nearly every night to watch the Manta Rays feed on plankton. The hotel has a big overlook and shines bright lights into the water so visitors can see the huge sea creatures maneuver along the rocky shoreline. They have a wingspan of 16 feet and their movements are mesmerizing.

We drove along the island's perimeter, stopping occasionally to visit a waterfall, intriguing valley, or botanical garden. Most roads are only two lanes and if you can drive 40 mph, you're doing well. We watched Pilot Whales accompany us when we took a boat ride in the Pacific. We watched giant sea turtles come ashore to lay eggs. We lunched at a beachside restaurant and saw people of all ages play in the surf with boogie boards. We stood at high overlooks and looked down at places where the water meets the land. The Pacific water is warm and near the shore it displays at least half a dozen colors, from deep blue to a light turquoise.

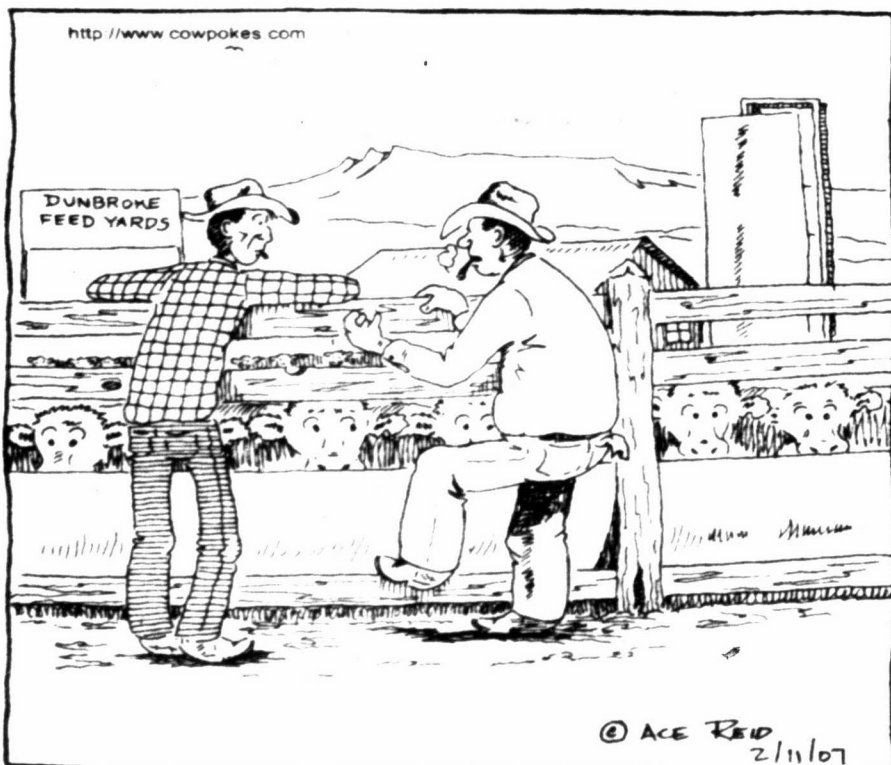
We went to the place where the Hawaiian Islands were first formed by tons of lava shot into the air from a volcano. We walked through clouds of steam coming from deep inside the earth. We had a picnic while watching boiling lava hit the sea.

Perhaps our greatest adventure was watching a sunset from the top of Mauna Kea, the tallest volcano on the island (elevation 13,792 feet). From sea floor to summit it towers more than 5.6 miles. The summit is covered with observatories, which attract astronomers from all over the world. Big Island residents ski and snow board on the summit in the winter when it is covered with snow. We wore heavy parkas and big gloves when we were there in late July. The temperature was 32 degrees, quite different from the 100-degree weather along the coast.

The Big Island is 120 miles North to South, 100 miles East to West.

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By Ace Reid



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Schooling at home: I'd rather tackle a linebacker

The other day, a friend of mine and I were sitting around discussing what fun our children are now that they have gotten old enough to take out the garbage, talk back and change their own clothes. It was kind of like two old men comparing war scars.

We also talked about all the heroic — and hard — things we did.

Things like playing high school football, or making it through Mrs. Purvis' Algebra class.

"Man, those days were tough," Joe said. "You remember those two-a-day football practices and how long the season was?" he asked.

"Yeah, I do," I said. "I think I remember it better than you. I remember you sucked and I was even worse. I remember Eastland and Cisco used to whip us so bad I used to go home with more band-aids than Bob Geldoff. I know if they showed the films of what other teams did to us back then, they would all be X-rated."

Just between you and I, Joe didn't really stink as a lineman. In fact, he was pretty darn good ... but being a friend that is concerned about the super ego that handcuffs athletes now days, I refuse to allow his talent to improve with time. As for me, well ... I really did suck. I know this because at recess, I was the last kid the nerds would pick for their games.

As conversations tend to do, our talk eventually broadened other areas — like other hard things we did. Like mushing a sled dog team in 20-below weather, or driving 1,500 miles just to watch a football game in Canada. Like putting a roof on a house when it was so hot outside even the shade ran for cover.

And we talked about school. This, you see, is a natural thing for Joe, who has evolved from a non-thinking lineman to a bonafide member of the Ranger Independent School District board of trustees.

"You think our kids will follow in our

OFF THE BEATEN PATH...

By TOMMY WELLS
EDITOR



footsteps when they get to high school?" he said.

I have to tell you, I have never really thought about what path our children would take when they made it high school. I was just hoping the school building survives them long enough to get to that level.

Just the sheer thought of Whit, Worm, K-Mode and Rowdy being in high school sent tremors through my body. As thoughts of 3000-plus miles of travel a day raced through my head, I probably shook like a man who had just stuck his tongue to a 9-volt battery.

"They better not!" I said. "I'll kill them. It's too darn far to drive to Ranger every day. I think they'll probably have to go somewhere closer to where we live."

Joe rubbed his head and rolled his eyes. After a moment, he assured me that wasn't what he meant. His question, it seemed, was intended to find out if I thought the offspring of Boomer de Bullet (pronounced boo-lay in French) and She-Who-Must-Not-Be-Made-Mad would do well in school.

"I think they are doing fine," I said.

"I think so, too," he said. "Stephanie (his oldest daughter) is doing real well. She's on the Student Council, the National Honor Society and as smart as a whip."

Dang it! I can't argue with him there. Stephanie has grown into a great young woman. She hardly resembles the little girl that I rolled in the snow in Nome, Alaska, many moons ago.

"Justin is a starting lineman on the junior high team," he said. "If he keeps

working hard, he could be as good as me some day."

Alas, even his youngest son, Brian, was starting in school. Just an elementary student, he was already making a habit of getting the one thing I never saw in school ... A and B grades.

"What about your kids? How are they doing?" he asked.

"Well ... they make it to school every day," I said.

Joe nodded and guessed they inherited that from their mother.

"They're pretty good athletes, too"

Again, Joe nodded and guessed they inherited that from their mother, too.

Then, after a long pause of silence, I suddenly remembered the hardest thing I had ever done. Harder to deal with than any blizzard, heat wave or 200-pound running back.

"Let me tell you the hardest thing I ever did," I said. "You remember when I home schooled my youngest son? That was brutal."

"Really?" he asked in a surprised tone.

"Yeah, it sucked," I said. "That might be the greatest thing for some people, but let me tell you this, after one hour of riding herd on Rowdy, my stomach hurt, my eyes wobbled from side to side and I started talking to myself ... you know, just like I did when Jason Rattan ran over me when I was a freshman."

Joe shook his head up and down, letting me know he remembered the play in question.

"And that was just from doing math," I added.

"After two weeks of that, I marched his happy self right back to that school and enrolled him again," I bragged.

"I can't say that the teachers were all that happy to have another student to teach, but I can assure you I was thrilled to have one less," I said.

I guarantee that is a scar that will never heal enough for me to try again.

MAIN STREET NEWS

By Cecelia Scott
Main Street Manager

Main Street is on the move and we have so much happening and so many things planned. We had two professors and three students here from Texas Tech to evaluate buildings and give us some feedback for the public downtown restrooms.

This Saturday, 15 students with their professor, Gary Smith, will use the information that we gathered and collect additional facts to compile a record of downtown buildings. They will create a book with pictures and information which will be available for future use. Anyone with vintage pictures of buildings downtown should contact Main Street at 728-9018.

We would love to copy them and include them in this compilation.

Also, we have a fantastic fundraiser set for Feb. 24. Our Main Street Madness Garage Sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Anyone interested in having a booth or contributing to our Main Street stash for sale can call 728-9018 or 325-242-0206 or 728-3403.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

This is in response to statements made recently by Mr. Perkins in the C-City Record.

He states that he would fight like a dog to protect his kids. I wonder if he has considered this; if there isn't something soon in this county to spark growth and development, then all of the kids will have to go somewhere else to get jobs and support themselves, and that will most likely be a place with far worse pollution

than we will have here.

Mr. Perkins, no one is fighting you. Evidently not the people of Mitchell County, they are too busy driving long distances to work. Some as far as Snyder, San Angelo, Lubbock, even Oklahoma because there are no jobs for them here.

Think about this; since they are forced to work out of the county they are spending dollars out of the county that could be spent here to boost our own economy. They are also forced to be away from their

families. Their children don't see them as often as they should.

TXU is definitely not fighting with you. They are just trying to build a much needed power plant.

In case he and the other nay-sayers haven't noticed, there is not a big line of industry and business waiting for their turn to make Mitchell County prosperous.

Mike and Emma Kossman
Mitchell County residents

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LORAININE NEWS

By Bessie Ann Vaughn,
Loraine Correspondent

A meeting concerning Loraine's centennial celebration took place last Thurs., Feb. 1 at 6 p.m. at the Loraine Senior Center. A nice crowd attended to continue forming committees and making plans for the celebration this fall.

Please attend the next meeting and donate what time you can toward this achievement. It only happens every 100 years!

Our appreciation goes to Bill Crockett for the delicious hamburgers that were made and served at the meeting.

The regular city council meeting will be held Thurs., Feb. 8 at 7 o'clock. You are encouraged to come.

Gerrie Wooddell celebrated her birthday Tues., Feb. 6. She told me that she will be 72. She's just a young thing! Hope you had a good one, Gerrie.

Christene Britton is working in the absence of Yvonne Sadler until she is well enough to get about easily. I know that Y. appreciates Christene helping out.

The Loraine Ex-Students Association held their first-of-the-year director's meeting Jan. 20th in the senior center. Officers elected were Joan Long, President; Connie Elkins, Vice President; Pat Hudgins, Treasurer; and Helen Coldewey, Secretary. They were all re-elected and continue serving in their present positions.

All the volunteers work on committees and projects helping to keep up with a few things happening around our hometown.

Joan Long and Amy Merket went to Big Spring this past week to help celebrate a birthday. Cassie and Jake Alexander have a young son who is now four years old.

They enjoyed the day visiting and celebrating there with the birthday boy. Later in the day they did some shopping in Big Spring.

I spoke with Y. Sadler Sunday. She is in Mitchell County Hospital, Swing Bed Unit, recuperating and to do therapy on her "new" knee. She is doing well now, but most all the pain is ahead of her yet because she starts therapy Monday.

We extend condolence to the family and friends of Francis

Smith who resided in Hugo, Oklahoma. She was the mother of Ann Hallmark. Her burial was Fri., Feb. 2nd.

The Monthly Ladies Salad Supper was held Monday night at the United Methodist Church. The devotional was given by Helen Hadley which was well received by all.

Preceding the devotional a nice meal was enjoyed and a lot of visitation took place.

We have concerns at this time for Cindy Hackfeld. We send her well wishes and prayers.

Hershall and Helen Williams went to Abilene Regional Hospital Monday morning to visit a cousin of Hershall's.

Grady Boyd lives in Brownwood. He had a quintuple-bypass procedure and surgery done. Helen says as of now, he is doing pretty well.

We send him get well wishes and better health soon.

The Loraine graduating class of 1937 was pictured in the most recent Loraine Exes Newsletter and the picture is clear, large and wonderful. The class members listed below started school together and went through all 11 grades together.

Classmates are: Ruth Ann Hall, Lillian Drue Hendricks, Lucy Iris Riden, Billie Jean Barron, Lucille Maureen Robertson, Opal Ruth Martin, Billie Marie Rowland, Mary Pearl Merket, Billie Dorothy Chamness, Bessie Marie Sipes, Wiley France James Jr., Willard Boyd Grooms, Orval Leo Shultz, Charles Franklin Glass, Roland Price Hall, Jesse Woodrow Compton, James Alden Lee, Paul Muncil Barron, Loyd Perry Brame, Selwyn Dwane Bruce, Olen Malcom Mays and Byron Jirdin Bennett.

We have concerns for Sandy Graham who is hospitalized at this time at Mitchell County Hospital for complications with her blood sugar level. We hope she gets better quickly.

Last Friday, the center was closed due to inclement weather. Mon., Jan. 5th, bingo was played, and hamburgers with trimmings and peach cobbler were enjoyed. Joke day will take place Wednesday and Tommy Wright will volunteer his singing talent for the seniors.



COLORADO CITY POLICE OFFICERS halted a truck pulling a tank through downtown in front of Family Dollar on Tuesday morning. The truck, from Odessa-based EnerTech, was escorted through downtown and around the red light at Second and Hickory.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON AGENCY PLANS

The Loraine Housing Authority will hold a Public Meeting on Thursday, February 22, 2007 at 3 p.m. to receive comments on the Annual Plan for the Loraine Housing Authority. All documents are on display at the office of the Loraine Housing Authority, 304 W. Colorado St., from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

LOCAL NEWS

Program provides Texans with free supplies to clean waterways

(Austin, Texas) - Have you noticed cans, wrappers, tires, and other debris in or around your lakes, creeks, and rivers? Cleaning it up this spring may be easier than you think! Thanks to the Lake and River Cleanup Program, Texans can receive FREE cleanup supplies, planning and promotional support, educational materials, and volunteer giveaways for cleanups of local waterways.

The Lake and River Cleanup Program is a partnership between Keep Texas Beautiful and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality that assists community organizations, scout and youth groups, schools, local governments, businesses, and concerned citizens across the state as they host

waterway cleanups and environmental education activities. The program supports cleanups of all inland freshwater areas, including streams, ponds, and wetlands.

"The Lake and River Cleanup Program is a fantastic opportunity for any Texan to get involved in enhancing their community environment," Keep Texas Beautiful President Debbie Johnston said. "The program supports events of any size and gives volunteers the tools necessary to improve water quality, restore its natural beauty, and reduce potential threats to human health and wildlife."

Free supplies include trash bags, gloves, litter pick-up tools, first aid kits, hand sanitizer, educational booklets, give-away items

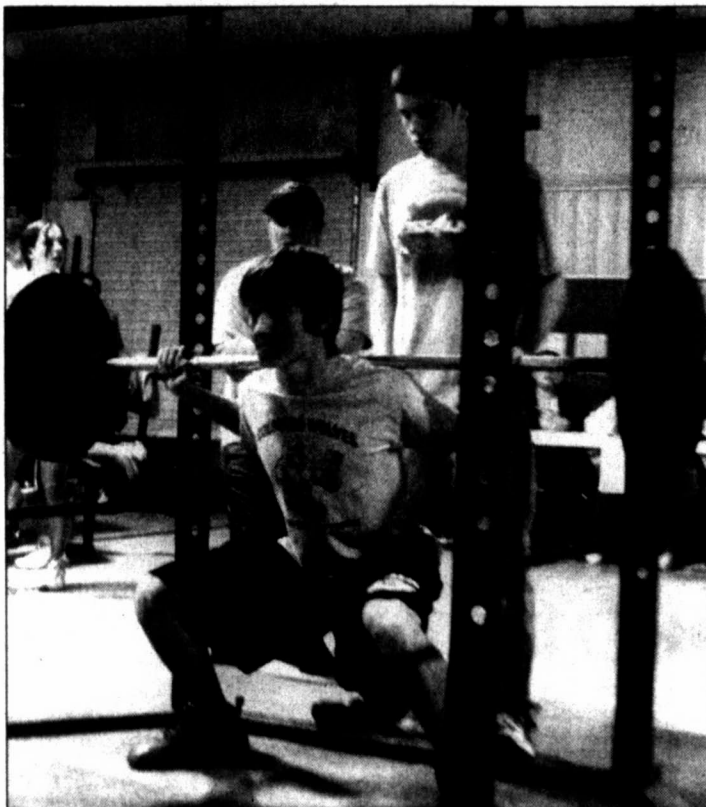
for youth, scout patches, promotional posters, an event planning guide, and more. Last spring, more than 26,000 Texans participated in one or more of the 132 events supported by the program and collected 455,612 pounds of debris. With your help, Texas waterways can have an even brighter future this year!

To receive more information on the Lake and River Cleanup Program, register an event, or find out if there is a cleanup scheduled near you, visit www.ktb.org or call 1-800-CLEAN-TX. No event is too big or small, so get involved today!

Keep Texas Beautiful, a statewide grassroots environmental and community improvement non-

profit and affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, strives to educate and engage Texans to take responsibility for improving their community environment. KTB and its more than 340 affiliates work with government, businesses, civic groups, and volunteers to ensure that every Texan has the opportunity to take individual responsibility for making Texas the cleanest, most beautiful state in the nation. For more information on programs and events, call 1-800-CLEAN-TX or visit the website at www.ktb.org.

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SAM SHRODE AND THE Colorado City Wolves powerlifting team captured first-place honors at last week's CHS Powerlifting Meet. The Wolves are scheduled to compete in Big Spring this weekend. The CHS girls also won their division.

Atmos announces second rate reduction since January

The Atmos Energy Mid-Tex Division announced last week the average price of natural gas that residential customers will pay in February is decreasing by 13 percent from January's price. The decrease is on top of January's 10 percent decrease.

"This is great news for the customer, considering that a year ago the cost of natural gas was much higher," said Richard Erskine, president of Atmos Energy's Mid-Tex Division. "This reduction results from the continuing decline in wholesale natural gas costs, and because Atmos Energy makes no profit on the cost of the gas it purchases for customers, we pass all increases or decreases on to customers."

February's lower gas cost in the Atmos Energy Mid-Tex Division will be more than 19 percent lower than the same time last year.

Erskine points out that the lower price of gas per unit does not necessarily mean a lower overall bill. A customer's final bill is affected by weather and customer consumption as well as the unit price of the gas.

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fixings. The Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce directors for 2007 include: Greg McKinney, president; John Martinez, Leslie Scott; Ismael Silva; Glenda Stinson; Martha Frick; Faye Ellis and Earl Plagens.

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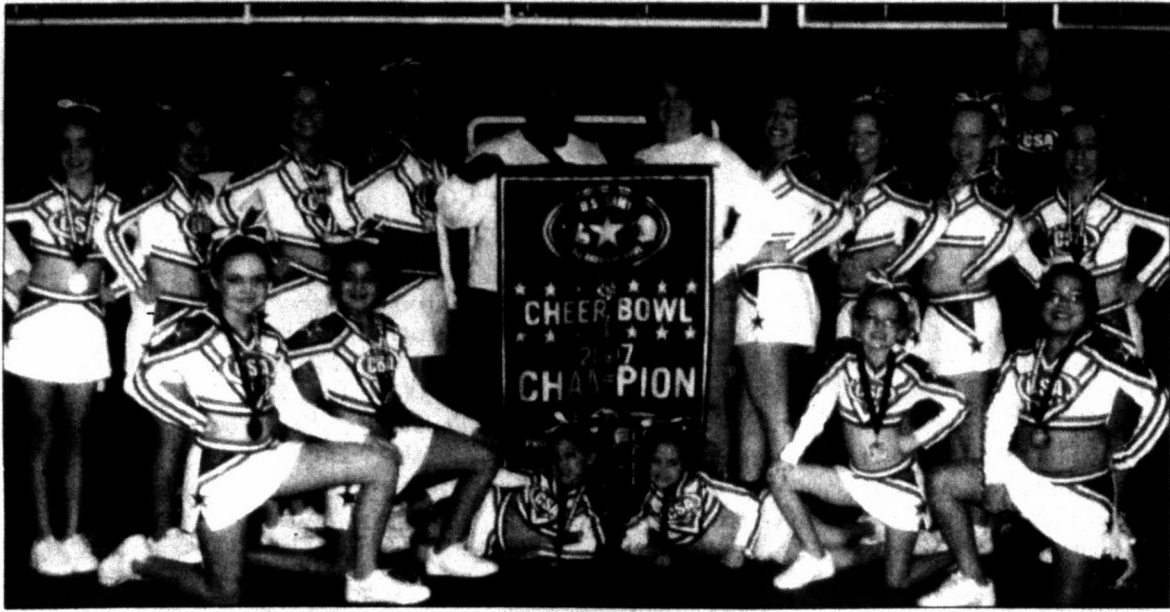
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FIRST PLACE WINNERS - Members of the Senior Level 4 Team and their coaches are: (back row, l-r) Kalya Massingale, Jessica DeLeon, Cassidy Peek, Crystal Stewart, coaches K.K. Vinson and Neika Porter, Amanda Sanchez, Savannah Valdez, Haley Taylor, Jackie DeLeon and coach Terry Hanshaw (standing behind). Front row from left are: Samantha Rodgers, Heather Medrano, Kaci Archer, Alyssa Martini, Lexie Hanshaw and Madeline Moreno.

Senior CheerStars bring home first place honors

The senior level 4 team from CheerStar Athletics won first place in the Army All-American Cheer Bowl Jan. 7 at the Alamodome in San Antonio, receiving a team trophy, individual gold medals and a championship banner. U.S. Army and American Cheer Power hosted the event.

The local team also performed at the Army All-American Bowl Game Jan. 6 at the Alamodome. NBC televised the high school all-star game that highlights the nation's top football recruits.

The CheerStar girls participated in stand routines throughout the game and at halftime they performed a 2 1/2 minute field routine with hundreds of other cheerleaders. This team also placed first at its regional competition in Lubbock in November, receiving a bid to compete at Nationals.

They next compete March 3 in Belton.

Coaches are Neika and Kay Porter, K.K. Vinson and Terry Hanshaw.

SAGE conference to be held at Calvary Baptist

On Thurs., Jan. 11, several youths from the Westbrook Baptist Church were invited to take part in a leadership meeting to help prepare for an upcoming girls conference to be hosted at Calvary Baptist Church in Lubbock, March 30-31.

The conference is in partnership with SAGE Ministries whose primary mission is to reach, teach and train young women to impact their community and the world with the love of Christ. According to SAGE founder, J. Meritt Johnston, "What began as a small, weekly Bible study has grown into one of the nation's premiere girls' ministry resources. We have been privileged to serve everywhere from Texas to Germany and hundreds of places in between."

While at the Impact Team Meeting, girls and adult sponsors learned more about SAGE Ministries and what to expect from the upcoming conference. They also learned how to make an impact for Christ within their own youth group and local community.

This year's conference is entitled Vintage: Ancient Faith for Modern Girls. Those attending the conference will have the opportunity to experience intimate worship led by an all-girl band, choose from a variety of sessions tackling today's hot topics, attend a fashion show and discover that modesty is much more than the clothes you wear, get the skinny about what God says about boys, sex, dating and they will discover how they can be a part of God's global initiative to reach girls for Christ. Adult sponsors/moms will also have the opportunity to get some girl time and the 4-1-1 on teenagers today.

If you or your church is interested in attending this conference or learning more about SAGE Ministries you may contact Wes or Amy Brown with Westbrook Baptist Church at 325-644-5218 or Tracie Funderburg at 325-728-9124. Further information can also be found at www.sageministries.org.

Youth attending the Impact Team meeting were: Jessica Clowers, Brianna Brown, Milina Funderburg, and Brittany Dalton. Amy Brown and Tracie Funderburg were the adult sponsors attending.

There will also be a Guy's Conference at Calvary Baptist Church in Lubbock Feb. 23, 24. The theme will be STAND... What will you stand for? For more information, visit the website www.guysconference.com.

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The Café offers **breakfast, lunch** and an **evening sports menu**, including a **daily special, biscuits & gravy, Cajun foods, down home staples, hot (Cuban Press) and cold sandwiches, soups and salads.** We offer **coffee, tea, soft drinks, fine wines and beer.** Use the **wireless internet** while you dine or watch the **two large screen TVs.**

The café is a small eatery not a fast food restaurant.

Home delivery fund raiser a huge success for Wallace

Sunday lunch at the Wallace Center was a great success. More than 100 persons came for lunch and contributed generously to the Home Delivery Program. Next lunch is scheduled for late April.

Each Tuesday and Thursday volunteers take frozen and hot meals to more than 60 home-bound seniors in Colorado City. New volunteers are Horace and Sally Pace. Most of the regulars look forward to seeing the van and the people in it as much as having nutritious food delivered to them. Thanks to employees Elsie Bendele and Cheryl McNeal and many volunteers, meals have been delivered every scheduled day for many years.

Seniors participated in "Plant a Star" with the Wallace High School students and staff on Feb. 1, in spite of the snow, sleet, rain and wind. The school received a grant for campus beautification, including some work by the seniors during summer vacations. Students and seniors working together is a great opportunity for both groups.

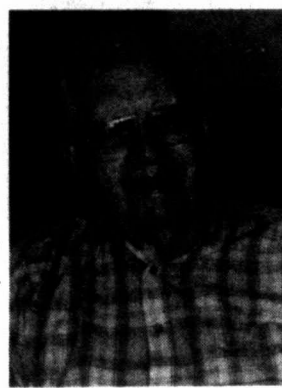
New equipment for the kitchen has been purchased including roaster ovens and a work table. Marsha Wilson has contributed specifically to purchase much needed towels and small utensils. Miss Wilson is also working with the Wallace Senior Board on their application for tax deductible status from the IRS.

Frank and Betty Bean are two new faces at the center who have been encouraging others to play cards after lunch. Interest has been expressed for beginner Bridge lessons. If you would like to learn to play Bridge, please leave your name and number at the school office. When two tables are filled, a schedule will be set up.

Those making donations to the Nutrition Program in January are Wayne and Betty Shawn, Browne Bros., Joy Sunday School Class, Deanie Elliott, Emma Hopper,

Connie Cranfill, Kiwanianes, T.O.P.S., All Saints' Episcopal Church, Horace and Sally Pace.

The Nutrition Program couldn't serve all it does if not for the donations and volunteers.



FYI

Herman Hoover, a long-time resident of Mitchell County and friend of many, is turning 90 years old on February 14. His family wishes him a happy birthday. Herman resides at Kristi Lee Manor and is always ready to visit.

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SCHOOL NEWS

CMS honor rolls for six weeks, semester listed

Colorado Middle School has released the A and AB honor roll lists for the third six-weeks and the first semester of the school year.

Third six-weeks

A Honor Roll

Sixth grade: Arden Alvarez, Raegan Costabile, Vanna George, Thea Guazo, Aaron Rivera, Kristina Sundry and Sean Williamson.

Seventh grade: Alyssa Bonner, David Davila, Tucker French, Derek Gainey, Melanie Gomez, Jessica Hampton, Marisela Hernandez, Miranda Reyna, Daniel Rodriguez and Jason Rodriguez.

Eighth grade: Brooke Bruington, Joseph Diaz, Thomas Emerson, Erin Graham, Daniel Hammond, Emily Hicks, Justin Johnson, Ariel Lewis, Ava Macedo, Rebecca Perez, Nicholas Reyna, Courtney Sutton and Hunter Venable.

AB Honor Roll

Sixth grade: Christian Cantu, Corbin Castillo, Leslie Davila, Daniel Dillon, Randall Duncan, Destyne Gaona, Kristine Gaona, Angenette Gonzales, Mark Gonzales Jr., Jacob Johnson, Anna Lara, Darian Lendermon, Alyssa Leverton, Corbin Lewis, Olivia Luera, Christian Melendez, Huntry Messick, Whitney Ortiz, Esperanza Sanchez, Alyssa Stanford, Ashlea Stone, Samantha Thomson, Brittany Vasquez and

Jordan Williams.

Seventh grade: Juan Beltran, Bethany Blassingame, Haley Cogburn, Taylor Harris, Willie Hernandez, Kalea Hubbard, Katlyn King, Casie Lemons, Luran Meeks, Erza Melendez, Ann Morrison, Tracy Pena, Ryan Rivera, Sydney Upshaw and K'Leigh Wallis.

Eighth grade: Christina Arispe, Sarah Beddingfield, Sarah Campos, Blaze Clark, Ashley Coronado, Joel Gaona, Crystal Hernandez, Michael Hernandez, Elizabeth Hickson, Kathrine Hickson, Emma Leanos, Michelle Lopez, Amanda Maddox, Christopher Madrid, Tiffany Martinez, Manuel Munoz, Matthew Neff, Kimberly Pfeuffer, Landon Pfeuffer, Imelda Ramirez, Deanna Turner, Valeria Vera, Teresa Vest, Jaci Wulfen and Isaac Yanez.

First Semester

A Honor Roll

Sixth grade: Leslie Davila, Daniel Dillon, Vanna George, Thea Guazo, Jacob Johnson, Alyssa Leverton, Aaron Rivera, Kristina Sundry, Brittany Vasquez and Sean Williamson.

Seventh grade: Alyssa Bonner, Tucker French, Melanie Gomez, Jessica Hampton, Taylor Harris, Marisela Hernandez, Luran Meeks, Miranda Reyna, Daniel Rodriguez, Jason Rodriguez and K'Leigh Wallis.

Eighth grade: Sarah Beddingfield,

Brooke Bruington, Sarah Campos, Ashley Coronado, Joseph Diaz, Thomas Emerson, Erin Graham, Daniel Hammond, Emily Hicks, Justin Johnson, Ariel Lewis, Ava Macedo, Christopher Madrid, Rebecca Perez, Nicholas Reyna, Courtney Sutton, Hunter Venable and Jaci Wulfen.

AB Honor Roll

Sixth grade: Arden Alvarez, Alfredo Bueno, Christian Cantu, Corbin Castillo, Shelby Cogburn, Raegan Costabile, Randall Duncan, Destyne Gaona, Kristine Gaona, Angenette Gonzales, Mark Gonzales Jr., Joshua Hulme, Anna Lara, Jordan Leija, Darian Lendermon, Corbin Lewis, Olivia Luera, Brandon McFall, Christian Melendez, Huntry Messick, Micah Minkina, Whitney Ortiz, Simon Reyes, Esperanza Sanchez, Alyssa Stanford, Ashlea Stone, Samantha Thomson, Sebastian Turner and Jordan Williams.

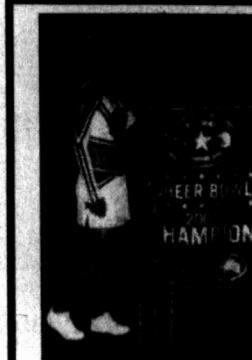
Seventh grade: Christopher Beltran, Juan Beltran, Dylan Billingsley, Bethany Blassingame, Megan Bullard, Juan Carrillo, Haley Cogburn, David Davila, Derek Gainey, Tyler Hammond, Willie Hernandez, Tara Higgins, Kalea Hubbard, Candace Huff, Katlyn King, Erza Melendez, Ann Morrison, Tracy Pena and Sydney Upshaw.

Eighth grade: Christina Arispe, Joel Gaona, Crystal Hernandez, Elizabeth Hickson, Kathrine Hickson, Emma Leanos, Michelle Lopez, Macall Maddox, Manuel Munoz, Matthew Neff, Kimberly Pfeuffer, Landon Pfeuffer, Imelda Ramirez, Deanna Turner, Teresa Vest and Isaac Yanez.

A Gold Mine in Bedroom Drawers

Newsline: People are selling their old scrap gold that is gathering dust for its cash value because gold prices are so high. With the price of gold at a 25 year high, it makes sense to recycle unwanted items for cash. ScrapGold.com, a large gold recycler, offers free insured recycle kits so people may cash in their scrap with 24 hour service and guarantee satisfaction.

They accept broken and outdated items like chains, charms, rings and more. "Everyone has bits of gold just lying around which can be turned into cash," says Richard Zakoff, Founder. "Even old dental gold has value." ScrapGold.com has been in business for over 16 years and has served over 800,000 clients. Request a FREE GoldKit at 800-283-4700 or ScrapGold.com.



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GIRL SCOUT TROOP # 1021 worked on Valentines projects at the Housing Authority in Colorado City Monday night. Pictured left to right (back row): Madalyn Gutierrez, Nadia Davila, Alexis Mendoza, Hailey Hulme, Heather Hulme. (Middle row) Left to right: Jasmin Mendoza, Jazzlyn Mendoza, Maryetta Polanco, Katelynn Polanco. (Front row) Left to right: Miss Teen Colorado City (Nikki Taylor) and Troop Leader Carol Polanco. Not pictured: Co-Leaders Tana Gutierrez, Kerre Huff, Maryanne Davila. Girl Scout cookies will be ready for sale on Thursday, February 8. Also, the troop will be selling girl scout cookies at the local Sonic, Saturday, February the 10th! Come support Troop # 1021!!

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SCHOOL NEWS

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STUDENTS OF THE Week at Hutchinson Elementary are: (l-r) Kimberly Clark, Jeremiah Salazar and Abby Salas.

Hutchinson students of the week chosen

Hutchinson Elementary has named its Students of the Week. They are Kimberly Clark, Jeremiah Salazar and Abby Salas.

Kimberly, daughter of Eddie and Betty Clark, is a third grader in Mrs. Jones' class. She enjoys spending time with her dog, Snowball, and reading is her favorite subject. Playing on the playground is her favorite thing about Hutchinson.

Jeremiah, a fourth grader in Mrs. Johns' class, is the son of Jeremiah Salazar. He enjoys playing with his puppies, and math is his favorite subject. P.E. is his favorite thing about his school.

Abby Salas, daughter of Sylvia Melendez and Andrew Salas, is a fifth grader in Mrs. Gainey's room. She takes care of her dog, Anabelle, and writing is her favorite subject. P.E. is also her favorite thing about Hutchinson Elementary.



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THE STUDENTS IN JOAN TOLLE'S second-period seventh grade class recently joined fellow students in raising funds for the Colorado Independent School District's Retired Employee Luncheon. Among those participating were (back row, left to right) Neal Denson, Colton Cannon, Alexia Espinoza, Dylan Billingsley, Will McKinney, (middle row) Christopher Beltran, Brittany Ward, Frankie Gaona, Kalea Hubbard, (front) Tracy Pena and Candace Huff. The luncheon will be held at noon on Feb. 13 in the CMS principal's annex. Persons planning to attend the luncheon should call 728-2673.

Talent Search students invited on college tour

Colorado High School Talent Search students are invited to participate in a summer college tour on June 3-7 sponsored by Western Texas College Educational Talent Search program. There is limited seating available, so the first 50 COMPLETE application packets will be given top priority. Talent Search students from other high schools are also invited. This is a free trip for 9th-12th grade students who have been an active participant in Talent Search for at least one year.

This trip includes the following: College tours of West Texas A&M in Canyon and the University of Colorado. Colorado cultural tours of Seven Falls, Mission Briefing, Arnold Hall/Field House, Cave of the Winds, COG Mountain Railway, Garden of the Gods Park, Rafting the Arkansas River, the Flying W Ranch, horseback riding, and hiking. Room and meals are included and Transportation on a chartered tour bus line. Night security will be provided at the hotel. Chaperones will be four Talent Search staff members and parent/school volunteers.

To start the application process for this exciting trip, please sign up with your Talent Search advisor ASAP or call the office. Application forms, deadlines, and requirements have been mailed. If students or parents/guardian have

questions, they may contact the TS advisor at school or call the office at 325-573-8511, ext. 377.

Colorado ISD Head Start
Breakfast Menu
Feb. 12-16
Monday - dry cereal, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Tuesday - breakfast bites, chilled juice, milk.
Wednesday - yogurt, toast, chilled fruit juice, milk.
Thursday - dry cereal, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Friday - sausage, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Colorado ISD Head Start
Lunch Menu
Feb. 12-16
Monday - chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet peas, pears, milk.
Tuesday - beef and mac, glazed carrots, half slice bread, peaches, milk.
Wednesday - steak fingers, potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, milk.

Thursday - peanut butter/jelly sandwich, golden corn, applesauce, milk.
Friday - ham/cheese chunks, half slice bread, pickle spears, chips, mixed fruit, milk.
Kelley & Hutchinson Elem.
Breakfast Menu
Feb. 12-16

Monday - dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Tuesday - breakfast bites, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Wednesday - oatmeal, toast, dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - breakfast hot pocket, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Friday - sausage, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Kelley & Hutchinson Elem.
Lunch Menu
Feb. 12-16

Monday - pizza, glazed carrots, green beans, birthday cake, canned fruit, choice of milk.

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Lunch Menu
Feb. 12-16

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Lunch Menu
Feb. 12-16

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Tuesday - beef and mac, tossed salad, Texas toast, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - chicken nuggets, potatoes, gravy, sweet peas, hot roll, fresh fruit, choice of milk.
Thursday - chili beans, fresh broccoli, ranch, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Friday - wolf burger, French fries, lettuce cup, fresh fruit, choice of milk.
CMS & CHS
Breakfast Menu
Feb. 12-16

Monday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Tuesday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, waffle, 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, pancake on a stick, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, breakfast sandwich, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
CMS & CHS
Lunch Menu
Feb. 12-16

Monday - taco salad, tasty rib basket, slice of pizza, French fries, green beans, birthday cake, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday - chef salad with chicken, grilled ham and cheese, spaghetti, meat sauce, garlic toast, golden corn, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - chef salad with ham, birdie on a bun, pork and gravy, mashed potatoes, sweet peas, hot roll, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday - chef salad with bacon, burrito with cheese, chili beans, fresh

broccoli with ranch, cornbread, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Friday - garden salad, wolf burger, French fries, lettuce cup, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Westbrook ISD
Breakfast Menu
Feb. 12-16
Monday - oatmeal, toast & jelly, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - French toast sticks, cereal, fruit juice, milk.
Wednesday - scrambled eggs, toast & jelly, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

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

Westbrook ISD
Lunch Menu
Feb. 12-16
Monday - chicken strips, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, fresh apple, hot roll, milk.

Tuesday - crispy tacos, lettuce, tomatoes, Spanish rice, pinto beans, fancy gelatin, milk.
Wednesday - grilled cheese sandwich, chicken noodle soup, fresh broccoli with ranch, strawberries & bananas, saltine crackers, milk.

Thursday - spaghetti, meat sauce, seasoned corn, tossed salad, French bread stick, sliced peaches, milk.
Friday - chicken patty sandwich, tater tots, western beans, orange smiles, milk.

Loraine ISD
Breakfast Menu
Feb. 12-16
Monday - cereal, toast, juice, milk.
Tuesday - oatmeal, toast, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - eggs with potatoes, biscuits, juice, milk.
Thursday - toasted cheese sandwich, fruit, milk.

Friday - sausage, biscuit, juice, milk.
Loraine ISD
Lunch Menu
Feb. 12-16
Monday - burritos, corn, fresh fruit, pudding, milk.

Tuesday - pizza, salad, dressing, raw broccoli, apple, milk.
Wednesday - tetrazini, peas, mashed potatoes, toast, cake, milk.

Thursday - taco salad, cheese, Spanish rice, beans, salsa, orange halves, milk.
Friday - hotdog with chili, tater tots, ketchup, pickle halves, shape-up, milk.



Scurry County Museum
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Sports Briefs

MCGSA to begin sign-ups for '07 season

The Mitchell County Girls Softball Association will be holding sign-ups at the Colorado Independent School District's Administration Building Gym from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 10. A fee of \$35 for the first child will be in effect with a discount offered to those with more than one registering child. Parents should bring a copy of their child's birth certificate with them.

The MCGSA is also looking for dependable persons to umpire their games. Umpired will be compensated for each game umpired.

An umpiring clinic will be held and will be paid for by the league.

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Lady Wildcats split with Highland, BC

After defeating Borden County last Tuesday, the Westbrook Lady Wildcats traveled to Highland Friday and came away with a 46-28 loss to the state-ranked Lady Hornets.

Last Tuesday, Allison Bray and Caitlan Colaw combined for 57 of the team's 71 points in defeating Borden County. Bray had 31 points while Colaw put in 26.

The Lady Wildcats led the contest throughout the game.

On Friday, the Wildcats could not stay with the Lady Hornets as their defense held Bray to a total of 10 points and Colaw to seven.

Westbrook did own the final quarter when they outscored Highland 7-3.

Loraine boys, girls fall to Borden County

The Borden County High School Coyotes swept the Loraine boys' and girls' basketball teams in action last Friday in Loraine.

The LHS girls suffered a 64-18 setback to Borden County, while the boys went down 47-32.

Felicia Gibson led the Lady Bulldogs offensively. She racked up 13 of the Loraine girls' 18 points.

With the loss, the Loraine girls fell to 0-9 in District 12-A play.

The Bulldogs were outscored 13-9, 9-7, 6-4, and 19-12 in the quarter splits.

Junior Derek Martinez led the Bulldogs with nine points. Borden County also won the JV by a 69-24 margin.

Junior high district tourney set for Thurs.

The Colorado Middle School boys basketball teams will travel to Merkel this Thursday and Saturday to compete in the District 5-2A Junior High Basketball Tournament.

LJHS cagers end season with 36-18 win

The Loraine Junior High School boys and girls closed out their 2006-2007 basketball season on a high note Monday in Hermleigh.

The Loraine boys rallied from a 16-13 halftime deficit to claim a 36-18 win over the HJHS Cardinals. Loraine sealed the win with a devastating 23-2 run in the second half.

The Loraine girls also won.



Record Photo/

COLORADO CITY'S QUENTIN AUSBIE uses his legs to lift the weight during the Colorado High School Powerlifting Meet last Thursday. The CHS boys and girls both walked away from the event with first-place finishes. C-City's Jacob Martinez is looking on.

Colorado High lifters roll to top spots at C-City Powerlifting Meet

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

The Colorado High School boys' and girls' powerlifting teams did just what coach Tony Cavazos wanted Thursday afternoon at the Colorado High School Powerlifting Invitational. They won.

The Wolves' outdistanced rival Coahoma in both the boys' and girls' divisions to successfully complete a sweep of the meet crowns. The Ballinger Bearcats placed third in the boys' final standings, while Loraine took third in the girls' division.

Leading the CHS boys to victory were Mitch Cornutt, Alfredo Ventura, Mario Atkinson and Jacob Martinez. Each collected first-place

finishes in their respective weight classes.

Placing second were Samuel Williamson, Sam Shrode, Michael Hollis, Quentin Ausbie and Randon Hawthron.

Garnering fourth-place honors were Ricky Davila, Ryan Gainey and Frankie Atkinson.

The Lady Wolves also collected a bevy of precious metal. Veronica Beltran, Donnica Fowler and Krystal Phariss all earned first-place honors in their respective weight divisions, while Krystal Molina and Ashley Sowa placed second.

Fowler and Ventura were named the meet's outstanding male and female lifters.

The Loraine Lady Bulldogs also fared well. See LIFTERS, Page 10

Gonzalez chosen to play in June's FCA all-star game

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

A couple of weeks ago, Colorado High School 'Wolves head football coach Frank Johnson was selected to be an assistant coach for the North squad at the 8th annual FCA Myrtle Great-house All-Star Classic.

Earlier this week, Johnson found out he would see at least one familiar face at the game as Wolves' senior safety Jose Gon-



Jose Gonzalez

zalez was named to the North's 44-man roster.

In a year where seniors were few and far between, Gonzalez stood out. See FCA, Page 10

Lady 'Cats end 29-year playoff drought

WHS boys fall to Ira, still garner district's No. 3 seed

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

WESTBROOK--The Westbrook Lady Wildcats broke a 29-year drought Tuesday night with a resounding 78-54 win over the Ira Bulldogs in an action-packed game.

Senior Caitlin Colaw, playing perhaps her best game of the season, pumping in 37 points - 21 in the first half - in helping Westbrook earn its first playoff berth since 1978.

Allison Bray contributed another 17 points in the winning effort.

"I am so very proud of these girls," said coach Cassi Petty. "They have worked hard all year

to get to where they are. They earned their right to go to the playoffs through hard work and determination."

The Lady Wildcats will now advance to the first round of the playoffs as the No. 2-seed from District 12-A. They will face off against the Robert Lee Lady Steers, who earned the No. 3 seed in District 11-A with a 43-26 win over Bronte. The game will be played at a neutral site at a date and time to be announced.

Westbrook jumped off to a quick start in the first quarter and never looked back. Colaw and Bray sank several clutch shots in the first quarter and powered Westbrook to a 26-12 advantage.

The Lady Cats extended that lead to 42-25 at the half with a See PLAYOFFS, Page 11

Lady Wolves outlast Hawley in double OT

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

It took two overtimes to do it, but the Colorado High School Lady Wolves put away the Hawley Lady Bearcats Friday by a score of 52-49.

The Lady Wolves got off to a solid start against Hawley. Colorado City outscored the Lady Bearcats by an 8-7 clip in the first eight minutes.

The Lady Wolves, led by the play of Jana Guerra and Jessica

Castillo, bumped their lead to eight, at 21-13, in the second quarter by reeling with a 13-6 run.

Colorado City took a nine-point lead at 29-20 into the third quarter.

Hawley rallied back in the final eight minutes. The Lady Bearcats outscored Colorado City by a 21-12 clip in the fourth quarter and forced the game into overtime with the See GIRLS, Page 10

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THE CMS 8TH GRADE basketball team includes (back row, left to right) Michelle Billingsley, Christina Arispe, Courtney Sutton, (Middle) Ava Macedo, Jaci Wulfjen, (front) Amanda Arispe and Brooke Bruntington.



CMS eighth grade girls win district tournament

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

The Colorado Middle School eighth grade girls' basketball team won all three of its games at the District 5-2A tournament last Thursday and Saturday in Merkel and easily rolled to the district championship.

"I just can't say enough about these girls," said CMS coach Gail Keeton. "In each game of the tournament a different girl stepped up to lead the team. This championship was a true team effort. I believe our defense was the key to us winning."

On Thursday, the CMS girls defeated Stanton by a score of 28-

26 with Christina Arispe leading the charge with 12 points. The girls led 2-1, 8-5, 14-11, in the split of the first three quarters before being outscored 15-14 in the final quarter.

Courtney Sutton added eight points and Ava Macedo put in four.

In Saturday play, the Lady Wolves defeated host Merkel by a score of 27-15 with Macedo canning seven points to lead the team. Arispe added six while Emily Hicks contributed five.

After rolling to an early 8-3 advantage, the CMS squad led throughout the game.

In their final game, Colora-

Road to the title ...

Below is a look at the CMS girls' games at the District 5-2A Junior High Tournament.

Game 1 - CMS 28, Stanton 26

Game 2 - CMS 27, Merkel 15

Game 3 - CMS 29, Coahoma 16

do City hammered out a 29-16 come-from-behind win over rival Coahoma.

Sutton garnered a team-high 10 points in the game. Macedo

chipped in five points while Hicks had four.

Coahoma held an 8-7 lead at the end of the first half.

CMS, however, turned things around with a 22-8 second-half run.

"These girls have come a long way this season," Keeton said.

"This was a great ending to their hard work. It's been great coaching these girls."

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Hawley deals Wolves fourth straight loss

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

The Colorado High School Wolves went down in defeat to the Hawley Bearcats Friday night in action played at "The Pit" by a score of 70-50.

Ahead 22-10 at the end of the first quarter, the Bearcats pushed their lead to 46-23 at the half-way mark.

The Wolves outscored Hawley 19-10 in the third quarter and cut the Bearcats' lead to 56-42.

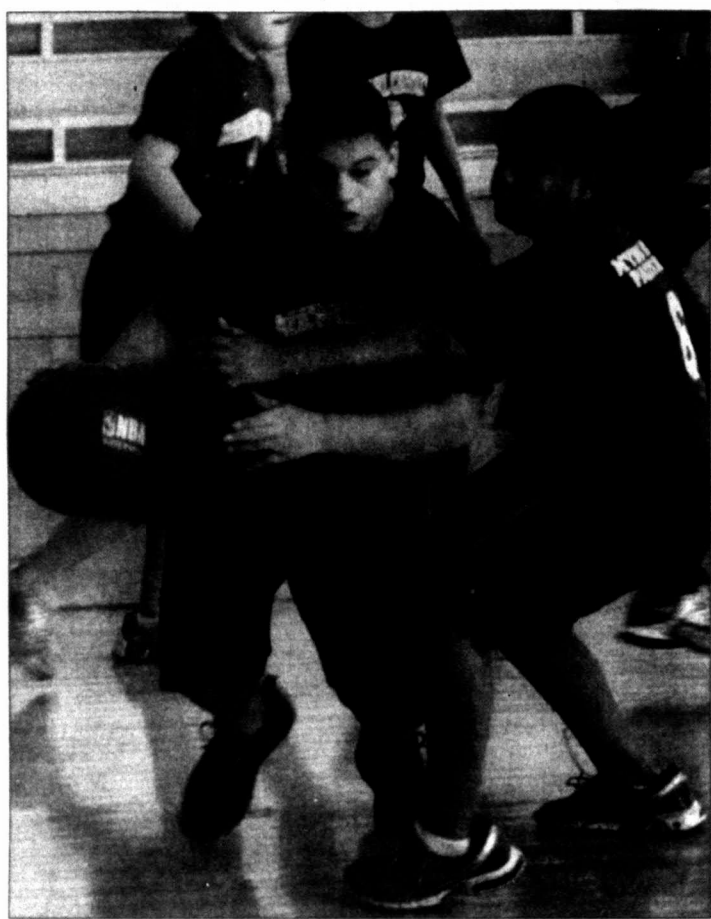
Hawley, however, put the game out of reach in the final period with a 14-8 run.

Matthew Wilson came off the bench to lead the Wolves with 14 points. Tyler Higgins and Lance Espinoza had 11 and 10 points, respectively.

Espinoza and Jamarus Denison each had treys in the game.

The Colorado City junior varsity team also lost, falling 39-21.

With the loss, Colorado City varsity fell to 1-10 in District 5-2A play and to 4-20 for the season.



LONGHORNS' FORWARD JESSE SELVERA drives past a defender during Saturday's Mitchell County Roundballers action. The Longhorns improved to 3-1 with a victory.

CMS boys fall to Stanton in final game

The Colorado Middle School eighth grade boys basketball team lost its regular season finale to undefeated Stanton Monday by a score of 43-22.

With the loss, the Wolves finished their district scheduled with a 5-4 mark.

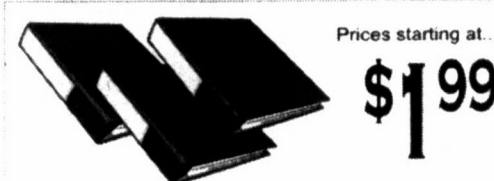
The team will play in the district tournament in Merkel this Thursday and Saturday.

Stanton held J.C. Johnson to only eight points, while Ronald Aoyama had seven.

Stanton led the Wolves 30-4 at the half, but the Wolves rallied back in the third and fourth quarters, outscoring Stanton 18-13 in the final two frames.

"It was a tale of two halves," said coach Clay White. "We came out carelessly in the first half against a good team. I thought the kids responded well to the challenge, but the hole we dug in the first half was just too much to overcome. This is a learning experience for us as we prepare for the district tournament this weekend."

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on defense where he was credited with more than 100 tackles. He also played several offensive positions, including running back and wide receiver.

Gonzalez won't be the only player District 4-2A fans will recognize. This year, the Wolves and their district stablemates will be represented by seven players from Anson, Merkel, Hawley and Haskell.

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score knotted at 41-41. At the end of the first overtime the game, Colorado City and Hawley remained deadlocked at 45-45.

A 7-4 run in the second OT stanza provided the win for the Lady Wolves.

Castillo hit a trey with 23 seconds left to give the margin of victory for Colorado City.

Guerra led the team with 14 points, while Brittany Hill added nine and Lacesha Johnson chipped in eight.

Johnson, Guerra and Castillo each had treys in the contest.

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at the event. Juniors Whitney Martin and Lindsey Martin both walked away with first-place honors in their classifications. Whitney Martin won the 198-pound bracket, while Lindsey Martin took the girls' 181-pound title.

Loraine's Jessica Bradley also garnered a gold medal at the meet, winning the girls' 123-pound crown.

The Colorado City and Loraine powerlifting teams will be competing in Big Spring this weekend.

Gonzalez was one of almost 90 players selected from more than 50 high schools to take part in the contest, which is scheduled for June 2 at Shorwell Stadium in Abilene.

Gonzalez's selection to the FCA

all-star game marks the eighth straight year Colorado High School has had a player selected to participate in the event.

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16-13 spree in the second. The game didn't come without plenty of fouls and off-court excitement. Ira had four girls foul out while Westbrook had only one. In all, the two teams amassed more than 40 fouls - and saw four fans ejected from the gym for arguing calls with the referees.

Colaw was hot from three-point range for Westbrook, nailing six treys. Bray and Lauren Johnson also connected on three-point shots.

Johnson, who is battling her way back from an ankle injury, had eight points in her return.

It was a different story in the boys' game as the Wildcats came

up a point short, losing to Ira by a 54-53 margin.

The usually hot-handed junior Tate Burleson sat out more than half the game Tuesday in foul trouble, and he was limited to five points - three of those coming just before the final buzzer to pull the Wildcats to within a point.

Colton Nobles led the Wildcats offensively by finishing with

15 points. Michael Morton and Jordan Truelove also hit double figures, tallying 14 and 12 points, respectively.

Morton hit three treys while Nobles, Truelove and Burleson each had one.

The Wildcats, even with the loss, will advance into the Class A, Division II state playoffs as the third-place seed. Westbrook clinched the district's final playoff berth due to Highland losing to Borden County.

Westbrook will face Bronte, the No. 2 seed from District 11-A, in the first round.

The date and time for the Wildcats' playoff game will be announced later this week.



Caitlin Colaw

CMS 7th graders go 11-0 in district

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

The Colorado Middle School boys' basketball team culminated its season with a convincing 44-22 win over Stanton Monday night to finish the regular season undefeated at 11-0.

The Wolves will be playing their final games this Thursday and Saturday when they play in the district tournament in Merkel.

Leading the Colorado City to victory was Xavier Lenard, who canned 22 points, while Derek Gainey added 11. Lenard and Gainey had four and two treys, respectively.

The Wolves led 19-13 at the end of the half, and increased the lead to 28-18 at the end of three quarters of play.

"I am super proud of all these kids," said coach Brent Paris. "They never got down and kept fighting. We had to overcome some adversity and the kids responded well in order to get over the hump."

Stewart to attend 2007 Eddy Camp

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

Colorado High School junior Crystal Stewart has been notified she will be among hundreds of participants to attend the 2007 Don Eddy Basketball Camp at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene on July 22-27.

Stewart, who is also involved in volleyball and track, as well as playing softball for the Lady Wolves, is currently a member of the Lady Wolves' basketball squad.

This will be Stewart's third year to attend the camp. Previously she had attended camps in Midland and Katy.

She attributes the camp to helping her hone her basketball skills.

"I felt like the training we got in previous camps helped tremendously with my confidence," said Stewart.



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BRYCE WATERS, 8-year-old son of Tammie and Darren Waters, shot his first deer last season. He shot this deer in Schlachter County, near Eldorado. Bryce is the grandson of Ronnie and Debbie Blair.

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MEMBERS OF THE 2006-07 Westbrook High School Wildcats' team are (back row, left to right) Coach Jim Hill, Colton Rich, Eli Farrell, Tate Burleson, Jordan Truelove, Colton Nobles, Michael Morton and Coach Steve Shreiner, (front row) Justin Cantu, Josh Solko, Drake Thurman and Kingsley King.

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Mollie Morris
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Virgil Green, Dec'd
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Luis & Ofelia Ramirez
LEVIED ON the 5th day of February, 2007, as the property of those persons listed above to satisfy taxes, penalties and interest and all costs of seizure and sale against those persons listed in said Warrant and any other unknown owners in favor of the Taxing Units listed in said Tax Warrants.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 5th day of February, 2007.
Patrick Toombs
Sheriff, Mitchell County, Texas

BID NOTICES

BID PROPOSAL REQUEST

Mitchell County Commissioners Court will receive proposals at the office of the County Judge, 349 Oak Street, Room 200, or the County auditor, 441 Walnut Street, Colorado City, TX 79512 until approximately 9:00 a.m. February 26, 2007 for one (1) new 3000 gallon tank. Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals and/or waive any and all formalities.
Susan Buckalew
County Auditor

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

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Abilene
Contract 6157-24-001 for REST AREA TOTAL MAINTENANCE, OPERATION, REPAIR in NOLAN County, etc. will be opened on March 08, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office for an estimate of \$4,920,000.00.
Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
NPO: 22638
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Constr./Maint. Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540
Dist/Div Office(s)
Abilene District
District Engineer
4250 N. Clack
Abilene, Texas 79604-0150
Phone: 325-676-6800
Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

SALE OF USED VEHICLE

Colorado Independent School District will receive sealed bids at the Business Office, 1132 Hickory, PO Box 1268, Colorado City, Texas 79512 until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 22, 2007 for the sale of one (1) used 2001 Ford Econoline Wagon to be sold as is.
Bids will be opened, read aloud and awarded within ten (10) days. The bid proposal may be picked up and vehicle inspected at the bus garage, 630 East 3rd Street, Colorado City, Texas during regular business hours 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday.
Colorado ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and to waive any and all formalities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mitchell County Hospital District, dba Mitchell County Hospital, Valley Fair Lodge, Mitchell County Home Health, Mitchell County Ambulance Service and Family Medical Associates is an equal opportunity employer. Health care facility. Employment offered to qualified persons without regard to race, color, sex, age, national origin, handicap, or religion.

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Thank you,
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Card of Thanks

The recent loss we have experienced has made us even more aware of the blessing that we have living among all of the wonderful people of Mitchell County. From the moment the emergency personnel arrived, we felt a great care and concern for our well being. We were overwhelmed by the generosity we witnessed at the shower given by 4-H families. The many calls, food, prayers and outpouring of love by so many will never be forgotten. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We love you all.

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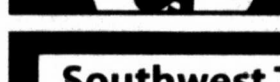


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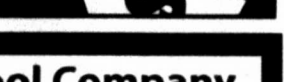
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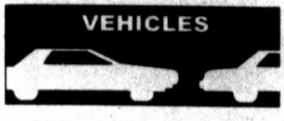
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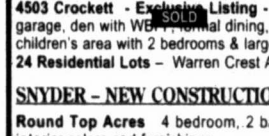
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Wildcats' playoff hopes dim with loss to BC

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

The Westbrook Wildcats' playoff hopes received a serious blow last Tuesday when Borden County rallied late to claim a 58-53 come-from-behind victory in a game that Westbrook led through three quarters of play.

Borden County took its first lead of the night at 53-51 with 3:15 left to go in the game on a three-point shot.

The Coyotes never looked back from there.

Westbrook led 20-11 at the end of one quarter, and then

survived a 16-12 BC run in the second to take a 32-27 advantage at the half.

The Wildcats led by six at 48-42 at the end of three quarters.

Colton Nobles led the Wildcats with 20 points and was perfect at the charity line, hitting all three of his chances. Tate Burleson, who played in foul trouble most of the second half, contributed 12 points.

Hitting treys were Burleson, Michael Morton and Nobles.

Last Friday, the Wildcats dropped their third game of their last four with a 49-44 loss

to Highland.

The Wildcats, now 5-4 in District 12-A action, needed a win

Tuesday over Ira in order to be assured of a playoff spot as the district's No. 3 team.

Loraine closes out year with win

Carl Graham
Colorado City Record

The Loraine Bulldogs closed out their 2006-2007 season on a high note Tuesday by claiming a wild 55-51 come-from-behind victory over the Hermleigh Cardinals.

With the victory, the Bulldogs finished the District 12-A race with a 5-5 record.

Loraine was led in the game

by senior post Jimmy Grissam and guards Derek Martinez and Zach Gibson.

The LHS junior varsity also claimed a win, downing Hermleigh by a 61-37 margin.

The Loraine Lady Bulldogs closed out their season with a tough loss to Hermleigh.

The LHS girls finished at 0-10 in loop play.

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Special good Wednesday night
HOURS:
Open Mon. - Sat. 11a.m. - 9 p.m. Closed Sunday

Skeet's Texas Grill
I-20 & Hwy. 208 South 728-9070
Colorado City

Valentine Special

16 Oz. Ribeye.....	\$15 ⁹⁵
12 Oz. Ribeye.....	\$12 ⁹⁵
Grilled Boneless	
8 Oz. Chicken Breast.....	\$8 ⁹⁹
8 Oz. Chicken Fried Steak....	\$8 ⁹⁹

Call 574-1623 for reservations

**DUNN RIGHT BB-Q
STEAK HOUSE**

Dunn, Texas - Go North on Hwy. 208, turn left on FM 1606, 2nd Building on the right

DESSERTS:
Triple Italian Cream
Cheese Cake
Triple Chocolate
Mousse Cake
Cheese Cake



Tim McCallay will
be singing from
6-9 p.m. Wednesday

Valentine Dinner Specials

Carne Guisada
Plate with Beans,
Rice & Tea

5.50
+ tax

California Burrito
(beef or chicken, red or
green sauce) & Tea

5.50
+ tax

1 Enchilada,
1 Chile Relleno
Rice, Beans & Tea

5.50
+ tax

HIDALGO'S RESTAURANT
1336 Westpoint Colorado City 728-4011

---VALENTINE'S DAY SPECIAL---
Wednesday, February 14, 2007

20% OFF
ALL DINING
ITEMS

Mi Ranchito
237 Concho Colorado City 728-5591

Valentine Day Special
Wednesday, February 14

Fajitas for 2
Beef or Chicken
Includes Tea

13.99

Two Enchiladas
with rice & beans
with tea
Beef, Chicken, Cheese

5.50

Grilled Chicken,
Salad, Potatoes &
Onions, Rice &
Beans, with tea

7.50

La Fe Restaurant
1209 Westpoint 728-9129 Mon.-Wed. 11-2 & 5-9; Fri. & Sat. 5-9; Sun. 11-2

Sportsman's Club
Restaurant on Lake Colorado City
Wed. & Thurs. 11-2 & 5-8 Fri. & Sat. 11-2 & 5-9 Sun. 11-2 Closed Mon. & Tues.

*Valentine's Day Special
Candlelight Dinner*

Valentine's Dinner at Sportsman's Club is the best.
Enjoy a Candlelight Dinner with us!

10 oz. Ribeye Steak with salad & 2 sides **10.99**

Try our cheesecake or strawberry cake.
Special good Wednesday, Feb. 14 only
We look forward to seeing you!

Join us as you celebrate your
Valentine's Day....
we will be serving
**Ribeye Steaks, Grilled Chicken,
Grilled Mahi-Mahi or Chicken Melt**
OPEN 6-9 P.M. CALL 728-9009 FOR RESERVATIONS.
Ladies will receive a rose, Men a special treat!

Bama's House
440 East 5th Street • Colorado City • 728-9009

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