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Answerline

Q. When is the Sweetwater Rattlesnake Round-up?
A. The 2016 roundup is set for March 11th through the 13th.

Briefs

Dinner and a Movie

First Baptist Church in Loraine is inviting everyone to join them for dinner and a movie on February 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Band Boosters

The CHS Band Boosters will meet Thursday, Feb. 18th at 6 p.m. in the new CHS band hall. They will also have a banquet planning meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 23rd at 6 p.m. at the Housing Authority. The CHS Band parents are encouraged to attend.

CCity Crime Watch

The Colorado City Crime Watch meeting will be held Tues., Feb. 23rd at 6 p.m. in the CC Thompson Room. All block captains are asked to invite everyone that would like to help. Anyone wishing to learn more and be part of a positive solution to crime should also attend.

Conaway Town Hall

U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway will visit Colorado City and hold a town hall meeting at the Copper Press on Wed., Feb. 17th at 4:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Obituaries

James Richmond

Around Town

Adam Clifton putting on a show as a worried dad... Jennifer Hale getting her music on... Natalie Martinez enjoying lunch outside... Jeran Cannon printing some invitations... Mary Lou Costabile sending a picture... Happy birthday, Lulu Boyd (Feb. 21)... Jeff Hickson looking for a whooping cough vaccine... Mark Diaz checking in at the office... Dana Lynch acknowledging her coffee addiction... Ask Venson Stewart who Colorado City's most eligible bachelor is... Lauren Munoz signing up her girls for softball... Jimmy Espinoza, Sr. on an errand... Happy birthday, Kody Wood (Feb. 23)



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EVERYTHING IN ITS PATH - Firefighters were called to LCR 313 around 1 a.m. Tuesday morning to battle a blaze that had fully engulfed several campers, a storage building, a couple of vehicles and a single-wide mobile home. The family of Timothy Rose lost everything in the fire. Photo courtesy of Rick Goodney.

Fire destroys campers

A fire that started around 1 a.m. Tuesday morning burned several travel trailers, a cinder block building, a couple of vehicles and a single-wide mobile home, leaving a family homeless. The mobile home belonged to Timothy Rose and was sitting on land out near Lake Colorado City on LCR 313.

Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department Chief Rufino Martinez said that Rose and some of the people living with him had been conducting a controlled burn out on the property on Monday. Martinez said the fire might have been left smoldering overnight, and winds out of the west-northwest sparked up the flame during the early morning hours.

While there were no injuries, Rose told Martinez he didn't have anywhere else to live. Martinez put him in touch with the Red Cross, and Rose was supposed to meet with aid workers Tuesday afternoon. At the time of the fire, Rose, his son, the son's fiancé and baby all lived in the single-wide.

CCFD Fire Marshal Rick Goodney said several of the structures were fully engulfed when the fire department arrived. See FIRE, page 5A

Early voting underway

As of Tuesday, February 16th, early voting is underway for the March Primary Election. There are two contested races in Mitchell County, Pct. 3 County Commissioner and District Attorney.

County Clerk Debby Carlock said registered voters can come to the Mitchell County Courthouse lobby at 349 Oak Street to cast ballots Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The last day of early voting is Friday, February 26th.

Whether you're casting your ballot early or on Election Day, Texas law says a photo identification is required for each voter. In an effort to make the regulation easier, there are seven kinds of identifications that are acceptable, including a Texas driver's license, U.S. Passport, state-issued ID card, Texas concealed handgun license or a U.S. military ID.

Election Day is slated for Tuesday, March 1st, and voters will be deciding who will be the Republican nominee in the two contested races. Because there is no local Democratic candidate, whomever is chosen as the Republican nominee will run unopposed in November.

Each county precinct will have its own polling location on Election Day.

Voters in Pct. 1 have a new polling location this year. The See VOTING, page 5A

Cossacks motorcycle group to open clubhouse in Loraine

As most people are aware, Rockin' H Bar & Grill in Loraine has shut down. There has been some recent talk about the future uses for the structure, and now there is a plan. The building will be used as a clubhouse for a chapter of the Cossacks motorcycle group.

A member of the group, Robert Vanguady, was present at last week's meeting of the Loraine City Council. He told council members that the building will not be opened as a business of any

kind but used as a meeting place for members of the biker organization.

According to City Secretary Jamie Muñoz, Vanguady said the group will abide by all laws and city ordinances. He assured council members that the clubhouse will not be used by 1% bikers, meaning outlaws.

The definition of 1% is a reference to a comment made by the American Motorcyclist Association in which they stated that 99% of motorcyclists were law-

abiding citizens, implying that the last 1% were outlaws. Some outlaw clubs can be distinguished by a 1% patch worn on the colors.

Mitchell County Sheriff Patrick Toombs is still concerned about a clubhouse being located in the county. He said Cossacks members may be trying to recruit people from this area to join the group.

Toombs said that he's heard that members of the group have been saying that they are a Chris- See CLUB, page 5A



THANKS TO THE USDA - Mitchell County Hospital District is purchasing a new ambulance thanks, in part, to a \$50,000 grant from the United States Department of Agriculture. Last week, John Powell (far left), Abilene Area Director of the USDA came down to make the grant presentation official. He was joined by hospital administrators, board members and EMS personnel, (l-r) Audra Hoback, Robbie Dewberry, Jerry Reynolds, Patty Pharis, Jesse Stark and Jody Wilder.

Grant allows MCHD to purchase new ambulance

Mitchell County Hospital District is the recipient of grant funding in the amount of \$50,000, which is being used to purchase a new ambulance. Last week, officials from the USDA came to Colorado City to make the grant award official.

On Thursday, February 11th, Abilene Area Director John Powell visited the hospital and officially awarded the 50 grand

from the USDA to Mitchell County Hospital District. Hospital administrators, EMS personnel and a few board members were present for the award.

Powell joined those present for a photo alongside the ambulance, which is a 2015 Dodge Frazer Type I 12' generator-powered module. The award through the USDA Community Facilities Grant will off-set the cost of the ambulance.

The new ambulance joins the rest of the hospital's fleet for a total of three ambulances and other emergency vehicles.

EMS Director Jason Gruben said that he's very appreciative of the grant, as sometimes it's hard getting funding as a small service.

"It's nice to have the new ambulance. It's reliable and helps us serve the community well," Gruben said.

FGE continues with plans

According to Board of Economic Development representative Woody Anderson, plans are still underway for the construction of the FGE gas-powered power plant. FGE, the company that will own the plant once it's constructed, is planning groundbreaking ceremony to be held sometime in 2016.

Anderson said on Monday that the company that was to provide the turbines to power the plant was recently purchased by General Electric. Because of that acquisition, a permit previously granted to FGE by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality was being modified to reflect the acquisition.

The modification is good news, Anderson said. Modifying a permit may delay the project 60 to 90 days, but modification takes less time than re-application.

FGE Power, LLC, is a Houston-based energy and infrastructure development firm. Its subsidiary announced last September its intent to partner with Starwood Energy Group Global LLC to finance and build two identical 747 megawatt combined-cycle gas turbine facilities near Westbrook.

See FGE, page 5A

Tickets available for banquet

The deadline has passed and the nominations for awards are under consideration by the Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, as the 107th Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet is just a couple of weeks away.

The banquet will be held at the Colorado City Civic Center located at 157 W. 2nd Street on Friday, March 4th at 7 p.m. Chamber-opoly will be this year's theme, and organizers are gearing up to decorate the civic center in full Monopoly regalia.

Tickets are \$15 each and can be purchased from any chamber board member or at the chamber office.

Ritchey said she is trying to get a head count so plans can be finalized. Those planning to attend the chamber celebration should RSVP by calling the chamber office at 325-728-3403 by Monday, February 22nd.

Awards to be presented include 2015 Citizen of the Year, Agriculture Award, and three Outstanding Educator awards, one from each of the county's three school districts.

Board members volunteering their time to support the chamber are: Susan Anderson, Audra Hoback, Ty Wood, Janna Ratliff, Maria Rubio, Joni Lacey, Jerry Shields, Kody Wood, and Richy Womack.

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LOCAL NEWS

Sales tax figures continue decline

Area Sales Tax Rebates						
City	Feb. '16	Feb. '15	+/-	Year '16	Year '15	+/-
Abilene	\$4,539,151.36	\$4,525,370.31	0.30%	\$7,542,556.30	\$7,702,473.04	-2.07%
Big Spring	\$902,620.20	\$1,017,670.98	-11.30%	\$1,560,140.23	\$1,797,527.11	-13.20%
Colorado City	\$68,200.69	\$82,818.10	-17.65%	\$120,194.90	\$137,656.71	-12.68%
Lamesa	\$159,081.86	\$184,981.46	-14.00%	\$276,555.06	\$316,095.53	-12.50%
Loraine	\$2,741.81	\$3,329.97	-17.66%	\$4,409.01	\$6,778.44	-34.95%
Lubbock	\$7,077,561.13	\$7,277,518.78	-2.74%	\$11,963,927.79	\$12,100,617.79	-1.12%
Mitchell Co.	\$30,738.84	\$48,471.32	-36.58%	\$55,190.49	\$84,089.97	-34.36%
Post	\$91,028.54	\$114,505.48	-20.50%	\$161,714.78	\$208,641.32	-22.49%
Roby	\$4,075.94	\$4,207.17	-3.11%	\$6,814.99	\$6,994.13	-2.56%
Rotan	\$21,403.75	\$23,061.18	-7.18%	\$35,364.21	\$37,883.13	-6.64%
Snyder	\$250,824.07	\$352,707.72	-28.88%	\$3,511,852.11	\$4,361,509.20	-19.48%
Sweetwater	\$375,064.43	\$371,810.30	0.87%	\$671,773.95	\$668,238.00	0.52%
Westbrook	\$2,121.36	\$8,818.68	-75.94%	\$4,430.45	\$11,605.76	-61.82%



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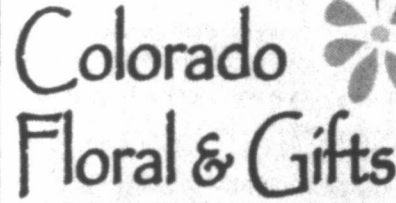
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With the exception of Abilene and Sweetwater, every city in the area is seeing declines in the amount of sales tax rebates received this month, most in double-digit percentages. The rebates sent out by Texas Comptroller Glen Hegar were based on sales made in December.

The decreases show a shrinking economy in west Texas, which is typical when the price of oil has taken a freefall from over \$100 per barrel to Monday's price of West Texas Intermediate crude of \$29.44 a barrel. Falling oil prices causes ripples in every aspect of the economy in this area, and February's sales tax rebates are evidence of just that.

Colorado City's rebate received



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at city hall in February amounted to a little more than \$68,000, a decrease of over \$14,600 from the payment received last year at this time. For the year, the city has seen payments drop by over \$17,000 from 2015.

The City of Loraine is suffering a similar fate. Last year at this time, Loraine received over \$3,300 in sales tax allocations. This year, February's rebate is down by over 17%. The most telling part of the story for Loraine can be seen when comparing both months of 2016 to 2015. Loraine's rebates are down by nearly 35%.

At this time last year, Westbrook received a rebate payment of nearly \$9,000. Earlier this month, the City of Westbrook's rebate totaled only \$2,121.36, a decrease of more than 75%.

The large decrease may not tell the whole story, as the large payment in 2015 was a result of the sale of an oilfield services company. However, the decrease is still significant, as rebate allocations are down by over \$7,000 from Westbrook.

The \$30,000+ rebate received by the county also shows a significant decrease, as Mitchell County received over \$48,000 in February of 2015. In just two months, the county's payments are down by \$28,899.48.

Abilene and Sweetwater were more fortunate, as sales in those cities held steady. Abilene's \$4.5 million rebate reflected a .3% increase in sales, and Sweetwater's \$375,000 rebate showed an increase of .87%. Holiday sales in those cities were about the same as in 2014.

For the second month, sales tax allocations in the state have decreased. Hegar sent cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing district \$867.1 million in local sales tax allocations for February, .7% less than in February 2015.

"Energy-centric cities such as Odessa, Midland, Corpus Christi and Houston continued to see decreases in sales tax allocation," Hegar said. "Other areas of the state helped to somewhat offset those losses as cities such as San Antonio, Austin, Fort Worth and Dallas saw moderate increases in allocations."

OBITUARIES

James F. Richmond 1947-2016

James Richmond, 69, passed away February 7, 2016. He was laid to rest in private services that family attended at Colorado City Cemetery.

James was born on April 13, 1947 and was a long time John Deere tractor mechanic and US Navy Veteran. Donations to American Cancer Society are appreciated.

He is survived by two brothers, Tom Richmond and Charles Richmond; and one sister, Ina Burgess.

Relay for Life 2016 plans underway

At the end of last month, the Relay for Life of Mitchell County committee selected dates for the upcoming relay that raises money for the American Cancer Society (ACS). Carla Sauer will serve as the committee chair in 2016, and she's excited to get preparations underway.

The Railhead Building will be the site of the 2016 Relay for Life. The event will be held on April 9th from noon to midnight, and everyone is encouraged to participate.

Relay for Life is the primary fundraising event for the ACS, and proceeds help fund life-saving cancer research, education and advocacy. The ACS provides patient services for people right here in Mitchell County, such as gas cards, lodging and wigs.

The annual event is designed to give everyone an opportunity to fight cancer and help save more lives. Teams are made up of family members, friends and co-workers that camp out and take turns walking around a track to represent the idea that cancer never sleeps.

Cancer survivors and caregivers are also recognized during the relay, as patients are never the only ones affected by cancer. Survivors and caregivers are given the chance to share their personal stories as they fight against a disease that takes from everyone all too often and all too much.

Sauer said she's excited to get plans for the event underway. "We are very excited to be planning the relay this year. Mitchell County has embraced this event and made our fundraising efforts very successful every year. We are hoping to have another successful year raising funds and awareness to help fight a disease that touches every life in one way or another," she said.

Fundraising for the event starts long before the relay, and this year citizens are asked to get out their best purple. March 14-18 has been designated Paint the Town Purple Week, and all businesses and individuals are encouraged to participate by decorating offices and houses with purple. The participant displaying the most spirit and most purple will be awarded a traveling trophy and bragging rights for the year.

Another fun and popular fundraiser associated with the relay is the Relay for Life Jail. Local citizens are "locked up" and must post bail to be set free. Warrants of arrest will be issued and lock-up will be held April 1st.

As always, organizers welcome all help and participation. If you're wondering how to get involved, call Relay Chair Carla Sauer at 728-3431, ext. 7104 or ACS Relay for Life Staff Partner Britni Dean at 325-672-3705. It's not too early to start forming your teams, signing up and begin fundraising. Teams, participants and survivors can also register on the website: www.relayforlife.org/ColoradoCityTX.

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LOCAL NEWS

State park activities offer education and fun

Things are really cooking in February for those that love the outdoors. With Saturday packed

with outdoor education and experience, it would be a shame to miss out on these events. Now

would be a great time to book a campsite or cabin and enjoy a relaxing and fund weekend at Lake

Colorado City State Park on Saturday, February 20th.

On Saturday, February 20th, the Wildlife Track and Sign program will be held from 10 a.m. to noon. This is a great way to learn about identification of wildlife by means of evidence left behind. There will be a short Power Point class teaching some basic signs that can be possibly found in the area.

Then, the class moves outside to the trails and high traffic wildlife areas of the park to see what can be discovered. Anyone wanting to join the class should bring comfortable clothes and footwear as there will be a hike over modest terrain. Also helpful for learning is a camera that can close focus and a small ruler or measuring device to help for scale of the sign.

That same evening, All Around the Campfire will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. The program is a great time for joining friends or making new ones around the campfire. There will be a presentation on campfire safety and the importance of

campfire gatherings to human history.

Those attending will learn about different ways to cook on a campfire such as Dutch oven, foil pouches and good old stick cooking. Kent Ivey will teach all attending how to make their own adobe Cowboy Camp Stove. He also teaches some great ways that pioneers used basic things to create easy, portable stoves and ovens with limited supplies.

Everyone is welcome to bring ingredients to make hotdogs or s'mores on the fire during the program. The campfire is lit on a weather permitting basis. If winds are high or it is raining, the program will move indoors.

There is no cost for any of these programs. Just pay the daily park entrance fee of \$4 per adult and children 21 and under are free. If you have a valid Texas State Park Pass, there is no charge. Camping rates depend on the type of site. For more information, call the park office at 325-728-3931.



3RD PLACE – Larry Don Watlington earned a 3rd place finish in the Toys4MCKids car show held during the holidays. Kiwanian Jan Lemons tracked Watlington down to give him his trophy recently. Photo courtesy of Lemons.

Loraine council approves election to be held May 7th

The Loraine City Council met last Thursday and approved an election that will be held May 7th. Three seats are up for election on the council. They are currently being held by Eddie Galvan, Max Tillman and Joann Mahan.

City Secretary Jamie Muñoz said that filing is underway for potential candidates, but no one has filed as of Tuesday afternoon. Potential candidates have until April 7th to go to city hall and fill out an application to be put on the ballot to run for one of the two-year terms.

In other business, Irene Graham was appointed as mayor pro tem of the council. She will step in if Mayor Richard Alvarez cannot be present to preside over the meeting.

Vacation water rates were abolished by the council. In the past, part-time citizens of the City of Loraine paid a lesser water rate than those who used city water services all the time. Council members decided that all residences tied into the city water system should pay the same rate.

Despite paying to certify one of the water department employees, the council decided to keep using the services of USW. The company performs weekly water samples at a cost of \$1,800 per month.

Anvil Mosher has obtained his water/wastewater certifications and is a water department employee. With the certifications, Mosher is eligible to take the samples and have them tested.

Code Enforcement Officer Sam Comadoll gave a report during the meeting. He said that he has been reading the city ordinances and visiting with citizens about being in compliance.

Comadoll is focusing on the ordinance prohibiting livestock within the city limits. He has identified about 10 properties that are in violation of the ordinance. The officer has been making contact with citizens and is working to get them in compliance with the ordinance.

Comadoll said that the livestock issue between the Barreras and Acevedos has been resolved.

Besides the livestock ordinance, Comadoll has also been looking at the ordinances regarding the prohibition of high grass and weeds, as well as junk vehicles. He has sent out letters, concentrating on out-of-town people who own property in Loraine. He reported that he has received good response so far.

Members of the Masonic Lodge in Loraine requested a waiver of late fees on their water bill, but the council denied the request. It was said that the Masons don't meet until the third week of the month to approve the payment of bills, which is too late to pay without late fees.

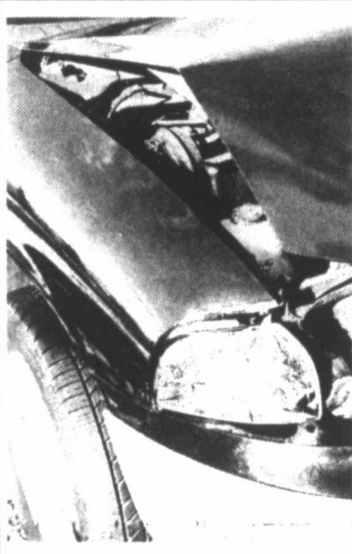
The council decided that everyone should abide by the same rules, and anyone paying water bills late must pay the late fee.

A couple of loads of caliche will be hauled to the Loraine Cemetery to be used on the cemetery roads. Cost will be \$150 per load, and at least two loads will be needed to complete the job. Muñoz is checking with the city's auditor, Stacey McGee, about the legality of using cemetery funds to pay for the project.

Robert Vangundy of the Cosacks motorcycle organization informed the council that the old Rockin' H Bar & Grill will soon be used as a clubhouse for the biker group. Vangundy assured the council that he and his fellow bikers will abide by all laws and city ordinances. The property will be used as a private club, not as a business.

Property insurance is being sought for the police department, as city officials have applied with the state to have a police force once again. The council authorized Muñoz to seek an agreement with the Texas Municipal League to have the property insured.

The next meeting of the Loraine City Council is set to be held April 14th.



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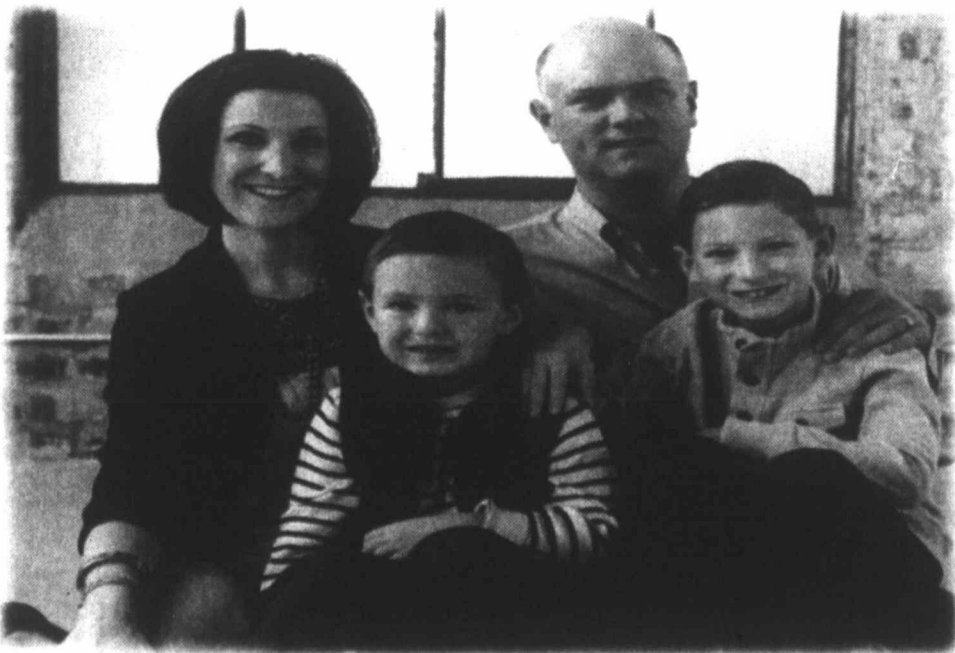
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OPINION & COMMENTARY

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Caleb's telephone and tennis adventures

Twelve-year-old Caleb Lewis of Dallas was walking with his parents when he spotted an iPhone in low bushes by the sidewalk. His parents suggested he leave it there, just in case the owner came looking for it. Caleb insisted he could find the owner.

When the family finished its walk and returned home, Caleb got busy. The phone's battery was completely discharged, so Caleb connected the phone to a charger. Within minutes there was enough charge to use the phone. Now Caleb is not your ordinary phone and computer user. He knows some shortcuts and figures out things. He is diligent in his efforts to solve technical problems.

He was able to see some calls that had been made from the phone. He started calling those phone numbers and at each one he would ask if they recognized the number he was calling from. After five calls, someone told him the iPhone belonged to a teenage boy. Caleb got the owner's home number and called it. The owner's mother answered the phone and was thrilled to know her son's phone had been found and was being returned. She lived just a few blocks away. She asked Caleb what his favorite candy bar was and he told her it was a Kit Kat bar.

She showed up at Caleb's house 20 minutes later with a giant Kit Kat bar and a ten-dollar bill. She gave both items to Caleb after he handed her the phone. Caleb is a generous soul and shared the candy with his parents.

Caleb is our grandson and we took him to England and Scotland during his Christmas break from school. We arrived in Edinburgh early on the 26th of December. Since we didn't sleep much on the plane we went to our hotel and took a nap. Christmas market was going on in Edinburgh and we wanted to see it. Hard rain was falling but it didn't seem to slow down any of the festivities. Streets were crowded, dozens of booths were set up to sell merchandise and some people rode a Ferris wheel and other carnival rides. The Scots' favorite saying is "Stay Calm and Carry On." They did just that on that rainy night in Edinburgh. We bought umbrellas and used them. It was the only time we used them on the trip. We had good weather with lots of sun.

Caleb is a tennis player and is serious about it. One reason he wanted to go to Britain was to visit Wimbledon. The closer we got to the place, the more Caleb's disposition changed. He seemed to be in a trance. We saw the many grass courts, some under artificial sunlight to encourage growth. Sometimes the sun doesn't shine in England. Caleb borrowed my camera and took pictures all over the complex.

At the museum in Wimbledon, Caleb stared at the trophies. One held the previous year's trophy with the winner's name on it. Caleb stood at that trophy case for sometime and we noticed his finger was moving across it. He spelled out Caleb Lewis 2030.

Tumbleweed Smith is never desperate for an interview, but he's always looking for a good story. Contact him at ts@tumbleweedsmith.com.

Beckmeyer recommends these for upcoming election

By Teresa Beckmeyer

A vote is private and because of this, I have not in the past endorsed or made recommendations unless I received a call asking for specific information from individuals. Over the last few days, I have had several people from across the state calling and asking for my recommendations in the upcoming primary and in order to save lot of time and phone calls, I have decided to list who I would recommend for positions all over the state.

I do not take these recommendations lightly. I will only recommend if I am for certain a candidate will reflect principles that I myself hold. That is not saying that every single thing they believe is in lockstep with mine, but that they are close enough I would be comfortable voting for them. Yesterday, I received a wonderful compliment in regards to my thoughtfulness in deciding whether or not to show support for candidates from campaign members of a candidate for a statewide race. It was said, "What we liked about you is that when we asked for your endorsement, you didn't immediately give it. You asked questions from both sides—lots of questions—and then you dug into the answers to get to the truth." So, even candidates realize that I do not make these recommendations without giving them a lot of careful thought and consideration.

If there is not a race listed, it is in no way a reflection of anyone running in that race. It only means that I do not have enough information on that race or do not know the candidates well enough to recommend any of them. Also, if there are two listed, it means that I find merit in both of the candidates and will not recommend one over the other.

My recommendations:
President of the United States:
Ted Cruz
Railroad Commissioner:
Doug Jeffrey
Weston Martinez
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3:
Michael Massengale
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9:
Eva Guzman
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2: Ray Wheeler
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 5: Brent Webster
State Senate, District 1:
Bryan Hughes
David Simpson
I have very much respect for both of the candidates in this race, so it is a win-win in my opinion for this district.
State Senate, District SD24:
Dr. Dawn Buckingham
Dr. Brent Mayes
HD 2: Bryan Slaton
HD 4: Stuart Spitzer

HD 5: Cole Hefner
HD 7: David Watts
HD 8: Thomas McNutt
HD 14: Jess Fields
HD 18: Keith Strahan
HD 20: Terry Wilson
HD 58: Phillip Eby
HD 59: Brent Graves
HD 60: Mike Lang
HD 64: Read King
HD 66: Matt Shaheen
HD 71: Chris Carnohan

In no way should this be perceived as casting a bad light on Isaac Castro who is also running in this race. He is a fine person. This only reflects how I would vote if I could.

HD 81: Joshua Crawford
HD 84: Jim Landtroop
HD 92: Jonathan Stickland
HD 94: Tony Tindereholt
HD 96: Dr. Bill Zedler
HD 99: Bo French
HD 106: Pat Fallon
HD 114: Dan Morenoff
HD 115: Matt Rinaldi
HD 121: Jeff Judson
Shelia Bean

HD 128: Briscoe Cain
HD 150: Valorie Swanson
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POLICE REPORT

On February 2, 2016 at 11:30 p.m., an officer initiated a traffic stop in the 500 block of East 10th St. After the officer made contact with the driver it was later found that the 37-year-old male was intoxicated. The driver was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated and booked into Mitchell County Jail without incident.

On February 9, 2016 at 10:14 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the police department to meet with a complainant about a Burglary of Habitation that occurred on February 7, 2016 at approximately 5:00 p.m. The information was taken and a report was completed.

On February 11, 2016 at 7:39 p.m., an officer initiated a traffic stop in the 400

block of Hickory. A 51-year-old male was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated with Child.

On February 12, 2016 at 11:31 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 400 block of East 11th Street in reference to a broken window. A criminal mischief report was taken.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

If you wear a Trump cap "fits all" you may not have noticed that it does not expand enough to fit a Ted Cruz supporter's head.

If you wear a Trump cap you may not have noticed that his platform is the same as the Clinton-Sanders socialist platform.

An actor - casino rich - crony passes off as a Republican - conservative and

calls an honest man a liar.

Texans, the 2016 presidential race is not reality TV. You may not care much about the substance of presidential candidates, platforms and track records - our children do!

Cruz will win Texas - may we make it resounding!

In spite of Trump's promise not to go third party, the Dems will lose more voters than conservatives when it happens.

Trump could choose Sanders or Hillary as running mates - changing his R to D and smell the same.

A debate between Ted Cruz and Clinton or Sanders would be more historical than Lincoln - Douglas. The world needs this debate and a Cruz president.

Tea anyone?

Troy Powell

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Misty Gay Wheeler AKA Misty Gay Keith to TAS Royalty Company, Overriding Royalty.

Child Support Office, Ashton Cord Weatherly, Office of Attorney General, Amy Olivarez, Auth Agent to Angela Christa Russell, Child Support Lien.

VP Jared Townsend, First Bank & Trust to Stephen L. Callaway and Sheryl D. Callaway, Release of Lien/DT.

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Blaze Petroleum Corporation and Blake Baylor, Pres to Red Tank Resources LLC and Randy Gillit, Assignment/Conveyance/BI.

Homer Matlock and Tia Matlock to Philip Castro and Linzee Castro, Warranty Deed.

KJH Minerals & Royalty LLC and J. Kyle Jones, Pres to Frost Bank and Neel Huey VP, 1st Amendment.

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Tracy D. Jackson to Kathleen Janosik, Corr/Warranty Deed.

Matthew Tyler Higgins to United States of America Farm Service Agency and Tony Turner, Financing STMT.

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Juan Rubio and Maria Rubio to Royce D. Clay, City National Bank, Deed Trust.

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Estevan David Rivera III to Diana Lynn Mowles 2/9/2016.

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Clay W. Wagner, JP-Over Weight Group Axes, 12/9/2015.

ARRESTS

Dalton Rose, 27, Unlawful Poss. of Firearm, 2/7/16.

Pauline Aoki, 46, Assault Causes BI, 1/9/16.

Don Glenn Herrera, 19, Poss of Marijuana, 2/7/16.

Earnest Leroy Mills, 33, UUMV, Poss of Cont. Sub, Tampering w/ evidence, 2/6/16.

Eddie Gutierrez, 37, DWI 3rd or more, 2/7/16.

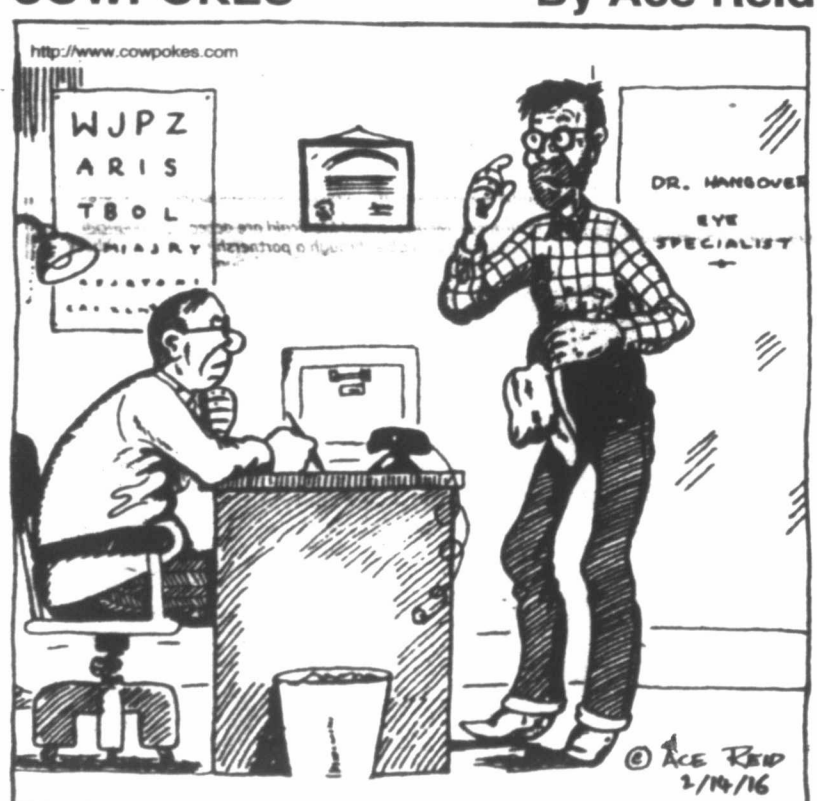
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LOCAL NEWS

FIRE

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rived.
"It was pretty much a defensive fight on our part," Goodney said. "We couldn't do much to save anything, so we just tried to keep it off the next house."

Firefighters were on location for about seven hours and had to return during the day Tuesday because of flames reigniting. Goodney said that the metal roof covering everything can make it difficult to tell if there's anything still smoldering underneath.

All structures and vehicles in the immediate vicinity were burned beyond repair.

VOTING

FROM PAGE 1A

22nd & Austin Church of Christ, located at 2239 Austin Street in Colorado City, will be the place to vote for Pct. 1 voters. Everyone should enter through the east doors of the building into the fellowship hall.

Pct. 2 voters will cast ballots in the Westbrook Community Building at 302 West Thorne St. in Westbrook. Those voting should enter through the front door of the building.

Oak Street Baptist Church at 805 Oak St. in Colorado City will be the place to cast ballots if you live in Pct. 025. All voters can enter the building through the front door of the church's activity building.

Voters in Pct. 3 will vote in the courthouse. Any door is acceptable, as votes will be cast in the lobby.

Pct. 4 voters will be voting in the Loraine First Baptist Church Annex, located at 503 Lightfoot St. in Loraine. The north door on the east side of the annex building will be the entrance for the polling location.

As in the past, Calvary Baptist Church at 1025 E. 15th Street in Colorado City will serve as a polling place for voters in Pct. 046. Voting will take place in the activity building just south of the church sanctuary.

All polling locations will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day Tuesday, March 1st, to allow voters to have an opportunity to cast their ballot.

CLUB

FROM PAGE 1A

tian motorcycle group, but when the sheriff talked to one of the individuals in Loraine, he denied that was being said by organization members.

Sheriff Toombs said that regardless of how members are representing themselves, the Cosacks was originated as an outlaw motorcycle group. Most of the members gathering in Loraine are from the San Angelo area.



DEFENSIVE EFFORT — CCPD Firefighter Chris Martinez helped fight a fire that burned several campers, vehicles and a single-wide mobile home on Lake County Road 313 Tuesday morning about 1 a.m. Firefighters spent over seven hours fighting the blaze that probably started with a controlled burn Monday afternoon. Photo courtesy of Rick Goodney.

Junior Ranger Day set at State Park

On Saturday, February 27th, Junior Ranger Day will be held at the Lake Colorado City State Park. The day will be packed with fun activities for kids ages six to 12, and it's a perfect time to foster a love for the great outdoors with your kids and grandparents.

The fun will kick-off starting at 1 p.m. and ending around a campfire looking at stars after dark. Park Host Tracey Mellard is excited to be helping with the event.

The program promises an afternoon and evening full of activities. By the end of this program, those attending could be an official Texas Parks and Wildlife Junior Ranger and earn their Junior Ranger Badge. Led by park volunteers and staff, the junior rangers will work through the TPWD Junior Ranger Journal, learning, connecting and having fun at Lake Colorado City State Park.

"We're going to learn about the stars, animals, cook over a campfire. We're going to have fun and enjoy the outdoors," Mellard said.

Mellard said that an amateur astronomer will have his high-powered telescope set up, and those attending will be able to

check out the stars and planets in the night sky. Junior Rangers will also learn about wildlife, tracking the stars and how to take care of the state park.

Those planning to attend should be sure to wear appropriate footwear and clothing for hiking. Each person should also bring along a water bottle so that everyone can stay hydrated during the day.

Park Superintendent Kyle O'Haver said that binoculars and cameras will enhance the experience. Rangers will be able to cook over a campfire in the evening, so bring your favorite campfire foods and marshmallows are being supplied for the smores.

Anyone wanting an extra special experience should book a campsite or cabin and make it a weekend adventure!

Adult supervision is required, and the event will be held rain, wind or shine. There is no cost for the event. Only the regular entrance fee of \$4 per person is required. Those wishing to camp will have to pay \$20 for a camping spot. Kids 12 and under get in free.

For more information, contact the park office by calling 325-728-3931.

Two suspects arrested in 2013 Snyder shooting

New developments have occurred in the 2013 shooting death of 25-year-old Justin Vaughn. Two suspects have been arrested for the shooting that happened in Snyder.

According to a media release issued by the Snyder Police Department, 21-year-old Christopher Devon Boyd of Roscoe and 26-year-old Anthony Gutierrez of Sweetwater have been arrested and charged with Capital Murder.

Vaughn was shot and killed at his residence in the 200 block of 36th Street in Snyder on March 13, 2013. The ongoing investigation resulted in the identification of the suspects that are believed to be involved in the incident.

The media release states that Boyd was taken into custody on February 11th at 5:17 p.m. in Nolan County. He is currently in the Scurry County Jail, and his

bond has been set at \$500,000.

Gutierrez was taken into custody on February 13th at 3:19 p.m. in Nolan County. He is currently in the Nolan County Jail, but no bond has been set.

Other individuals have been identified in the case. Their identities have not been released

at this time. The media release states that no other information will be released regarding the investigation, so as not to jeopardize the investigation or hinder locating the other parties identified in the case.

The investigation remains open.

FGE

FROM PAGE 1A

The project was to deploy Alstom Thermal Power's next generation KA24-2 power plant

form. General Electric acquired Alstom, making it necessary to modify the permit.



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- * Retired Maintenance Director of Westbrook Independent School District
- * Currently serve as a Director on Lone Wolf Groundwater Conservation Board
- * My wife Patricia and I are active members in the First Baptist Church of Colorado City.
- * Conservative background in personal and professional life.

I will be glad to answer any questions you might have. Please feel free to call me at 432-517-0256.

Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Kenney Gillespie, 1124 LCR 248, Colorado City, TX 79512

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR USE OF HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUNDS

The City of Colorado City will be conducting a public hearing on Tuesday, March 8th, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. to receive requests for allocations of the Hotel/Motel Tax Funds. The public hearing will be conducted at the Bob Reilly Early Learning Center, 1111 East 9th Street, Colorado City, Texas. All interested parties are urged to submit their written requests with a detailed explanation of their proposed utilization of funds on or before 12:00 Noon on February 26, 2016 at the Colorado City Hall, 180 W. 3rd Street, Colorado City, Texas. Proposals will then be opened at 1:30 P.M. on February 26, 2016 and reviewed by Administrative Staff. Proposals received after the time and date for receipt will not be considered. The City Council will then consider the applications for funding at a second public hearing which will be conducted at a regular meeting of the City Council at the Bob Reilly Early Learning Center, 1111 E. 9th Street at 6:00 P.M. on April 12, 2016. The City Council reserves the right to accept or reject any proposals which may be submitted and to determine the appropriate disbursement of Hotel/Motel Tax Funds in accordance with the Hotel Motel Regulations. Previous Grant Recipients should review your 2015 Contract prior to submittal.

Donna Madrid
City Secretary

LOCAL NEWS

Drilling permits down drastically across Texas

The Railroad Commission of Texas issued a total of 510 original drilling permits in January 2016 compared to 1,102 in January 2015. In the Midland District, of which Mitchell County is a part, 166 permits to drill oil/gas holes were issued, with 338 oil holes and 20 gas holes were completed.

The Permian Basin region continues to be the biggest producing district in Texas.

The January total included 425 permits to drill new oil or gas wells, five to re-enter plugged

well bores and 80 for re-completions of existing well bores. The breakdown of well types for those permits issued January 2016 included 141 oil, 41 gas, 282 oil or gas, 35 injection, two service and nine other permits.

In January 2016, Commission staff processed 951 oil, 197 gas, 52 injection and four other completions compared to 1,450 oil, 344 gas, 198 injection and five other completions in January 2015. Total well completions for 2016 year to date are 1,204 down

from 1,997 recorded during the same period in 2015.

According to Baker Hughes Inc., the Texas rig count as of February 5 was 262, representing about 46 percent of all active rigs in the United States.

For additional drilling permit and completion statistics, visit the Commission's website at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-gas/research-and-statistics/well-information/monthly-drilling-completion-and-plugging-summaries/>.

Mt. Zion Church to sponsor open forum event on Feb. 21st

New Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church of Colorado City will sponsor the movie *Selma* and an open forum on race on Sunday, February 21st at 3 p.m. at the 3M Palace Theater. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Pastor Quincy L. Randall will serve as moderator of the forum. Several people will serve as panel guests at the forum as well.

They are: CCPD Chief Luis Aguilar, CHS Principal Mark Merrell, Attorney Gaven Norris of Odessa, Pastor Charles Sims of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Odessa, and Pastor Jerry Shields of First Baptist Church in Colorado City.

Admission is \$6 per person and includes a small drink and bag of popcorn. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.



DRIVING AT NIGHT — Driving at night is more dangerous than any other time of day, according to the National Safety Council.

Be roadwise in the dark

Safety tips for driving at night

By Audra Graves

According to research from the National Safety Council, driving at night is more dangerous than any other time of day, with traffic deaths three times greater at night compared to daytime hours. The reason for this is that driver vision — the most important sense necessary for driving — is compromised at night, including depth perception, color recognition, and peripheral vision. Additionally, the glare from an oncoming vehicle with their high beams on can temporarily blind a driver.

Headlights on vehicles can only illuminate about 500 feet (with high beams), and 250 feet for normal headlights. With visibility limited, there is less time to react to something unexpected in the roadway. Driving at high speeds at night with reduced visibility makes the situation even more dangerous. Drivers should not "out-drive" their headlights. In other words, do not drive faster than you can stop within the distance illuminated by your headlights. At 50 miles per hour it takes about 268 feet to slow down, including the distance traveled during reaction time. That would easily "out-run" the illumination of your normal headlights. Remember that the posted speed limit is the highest legal limit under ideal conditions and not necessarily the highest safe speed. One of the best plans for night driving is to simply drive slower.

Age is also a factor when it comes to night vision, which is the ability to see in low light. At 50 years of age, a driver needs twice as much light to see as well as a 30 year old driver. At 60 years of age and older, night vision is further reduced, making evening driving a risk — especially on unfamiliar roads.

Nighttime also brings on fatigue, and with the fatigue comes

reduced alertness. Driving long periods of time late at night can further reduce reaction time. The only safe cure for fatigue is to get some sleep. Driving while sleepy is not only dangerous for the driver, it also puts other drivers and passengers on the road at risk.

Audra Graves, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service agent in Mitchell County, reminds drivers to follow these safety tips for nighttime driving from the National Safety Council.

Drivers of all ages:

- Aim vehicle headlights correctly, and make sure they're clean
- Dim lighting on dashboard
- Look away from oncoming lights
- If eyeglasses are needed, make sure they're anti-reflective
- Clean the windshield to eliminate streaks
- Slow down to compensate for limited visibility and reduced stopping time
- Stop driving when you are

fatigued

Older drivers:

- Have annual vision exams
- Reduce speed
- Take a driving course; even experienced drivers can benefit from a refresher course, and some of the rules have probably changed

• Minimize distractions at night, like talking with passengers or listening to the radio

• Check with your doctor about side effects of prescription drugs

• Be honest about your ability to drive after dark and limit driving to daytime hours if necessary

Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating



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- ★ My crew and I also oversee the county ag barns and the arena. We now have a new fence around the arena, some new barn doors, new electrical meter base, new parking lot lighting and several new electrical panels.
- ★ If re-elected you and your tax dollars will be my priorities. I will continue to answer or return all your phone calls regarding any issues you may have concerning the county.

If you have any questions, call me at 325-242-2880. I would like to continue serving you as your Full-Time Commissioner!

Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Jesse Munoz, 129 W. 11th St., Colorado City, TX 79512

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Tax help available at local library



Madison Feaster and Cheyenne Benson

Tax help is on the way to Colorado City next week! AARP and the Mitchell County Public Library will sponsor, as a public service, free income tax return preparation, including e-file at the Mitchell County Public Library.

Tax preparation will be available on Thursday, February 25th

from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Anyone wishing to take advantage of the free service should contact the library to sign up. Other scheduled dates are March 22nd and April 12th. Sign-ups will also be taken for those dates.

There are several documents necessary for preparers to be able to do taxes. Two forms of

identification are needed. One must be a photo I.D. such as a driver's license. The second must be the original or a copy of your Social Security Card or Form SSA-1099 or the ITIN Card or letter.

Also, please bring your 2014 tax return and 2015 tax documents. Other important documents include social security statements, all W-2 or 1099's, health insurance 1095 form, So-

cial Security cards for each person listed on taxes, bank routing and account numbers for direct deposits, all receipts if itemizing, 1098T college expenses, child care expenses, property taxes, medical and charitable gifts.

The Mitchell County Public Library is excited to offer these opportunities to the community. Please call 728-3968 or come by the Library to be placed on the list.

Maddox speaks to garden club

The Colorado City Garden Club met Friday, February 5th at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Peggy Maddox presented the program which covered soil and what it takes to keep it healthy.

Maddox is the executive director of Kids on the Land, and her program to the club was titled, "Healthy Soil: There's Lots Happening Beneath Your Feet."

In March, club members will be treated to a program by Lou

Hearin of Neff's Nursery. Members will meet at FUMC for a short meeting and lunch, and then they will carpool for a field trip to the nursery.

March's meeting is set for Friday, March 4th at 11:30 a.m. beginning at the Methodist Church. Guests are welcome.

Please call Janet Rodgers at 972-743-1085 or Georgia Harris at 704-467-6245 for a reservation.

Engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Jay Feaster of Roscoe announce the engagement of their son, Madison Randall Feaster to Cheyenne Nicole Benson.

Cheyenne graduated from Denver City High School in 2009 and received a degree in Communications Media and Cultural Studies, magna cum laude, from Angelo State University in 2013 and works for Conroe I.S.D. Miss Benson is the daughter of Danny and Michelle Benson of Denver City, granddaughter of Jerry and Norma Caudill of San Angelo, and the late Jean and Lee Benson of Lovington, New Mexico.

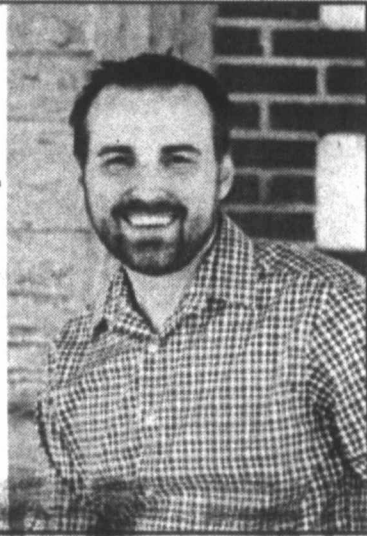
Madison is a 2008 graduate of Highland High School and received an Associate of Applied Science in Nursing degree from Angelo State University in 2012 and works as a Registered Nurse at Conroe Regional Hospital. Mr. Feaster is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cecil L. Perry of Abilene and Mrs. Doris Feaster Darden, and the late Arnon Feaster of Colorado City. An April wedding is planned at Fort Concho in San Angelo.

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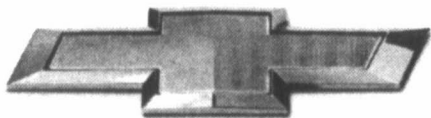
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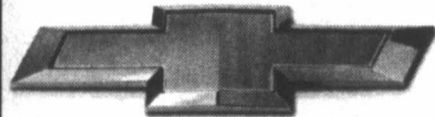
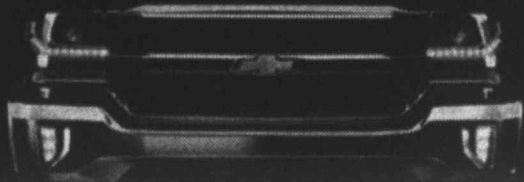
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SCHOOL NEWS



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – Hutchinson Elementary has announced this week's students of the week. They are Aryanna Cruz, Austin Long and Destyni Mitchell. Photo courtesy of Christy Myers.

Students of the week named at Hutchinson

Three students have been chosen as Students of the Week at Hutchinson Elementary. Aryanna Cruz, Austin Long, Destyni Mitchell.

Aryanna is a third grader in Ms. Torres' class. Her favorite subject is math. She has a dog

named Queenie and her hobby is singing. Her favorite thing about Hutch is the teachers.

Austin is a fourth grader in Mrs. Quinn's class. His favorite subject is science. His hobby is playing baseball. His favorite thing about Hutch is field trips.

Destyni is a fifth grader in Mr. Rasco's class. Her favorite subject is science. She has a dog named Bella and her hobby is helping people. Her favorite thing about Hutch is that people are always nice.



JUMPING SUPER DOGS – Kelley Elementary had their Jump Rope For Heart on Friday, February 12, 2016. Coach Mary Costabile and Tiffany Martinez kicked off the event as Super Dogs. All the Super Pups at Kelley Elementary learned to be Super Heroes who fight for Heart Health. Photo courtesy of Mary Lou Costabile.

SCHOOL MENUS

Colorado ISD Breakfast Menu Feb. 22nd-26th

Monday- Staff Day
Tuesday- Breakfast club or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, milk.
Wednesday- Texas toast, scrambled

eggs, sausage, or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, milk.
Thursday- Oatmeal muffins w/ yogurt, or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, milk.
Friday- Breakfast pizza, or dry cereal, toast, fruit, chilled fruit juice, milk.

Colorado ISD Lunch Menu Feb. 22nd-26th

Monday- Staff Day
Tuesday- Chili cheese combo, fresh veggie cup, fresh seasonal fruit, vanilla pudding, milk.
Wednesday- Corn dog, garden salad, petite tomato cup, fruit cup, milk.
Thursday- Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, green beans, garden salad, apple slices, milk.
Friday- Hamburger, hamburger garnish, oven fries, baby carrots w/ ranch, peaches, crispy cereal treat, milk.

Loraine ISD Breakfast Menu Feb. 22nd-26th

Monday- Pancakes, bacon, muffins, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Tuesday- Sunshine sandwich, cereal, toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Wednesday- Biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, muffin, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Thursday- Breakfast strudel, yogurt, cereal, toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Friday- Breakfast burrito, cereal, toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Loraine ISD Lunch Menu Feb. 22nd-26th

Monday- Chicken sandwich, oven fries, veggie cup, mandarin oranges, milk.
Tuesday- Nachos grande, petite

tomato cup, garden salad, pears, lime sherbet cup, milk.

Wednesday- Corn dog, baked beans, crunchy broccoli, salad, apple-pineapple delight, milk.

Thursday- Salisbury steak w/ biscuit and brown gravy, garden salad, fruit gelatin, milk.

Friday- Pizza choice, baby carrots w/ ranch, crunchy broccoli salad, fresh grapes, cookie, milk.

Westbrook ISD Breakfast Menu Feb. 22nd-26th

Monday- Pancakes, pineapple yogurt parfait w/ graham crackers, or cereal with Texas toast, chilled pears, fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday- Chicken and biscuit, scrambled egg with ham and toast, or cereal with Texas toast, chilled peaches, fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday- Breakfast pizza, ham and cheese wrap, or cereal with Texas toast, chilled apricots, fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Thursday- Pancake and sausage on a stick, breakfast on a bun (sausage), or golden apple oatmeal with toast, chilled mixed fruit, fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Friday- Homestyle cinnamon roll, breakfast taco, or cereal, chilled mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Westbrook ISD Lunch Menu Feb. 22nd-26th

Monday- Popcorn chicken fun lunch, or Salisbury steak with brown gravy, scalloped potatoes, broccoli Normandy, chilled peaches, roll, milk.
Tuesday- Turkey chef salad fun lunch, or baked potato, vegetable soup, oriental blend, glazed carrots, fruit slush cup, roll, milk.

Wednesday- Chicken rings fun lunch with corn on cob, or lasagna, roll, mixed vegetables, yellow squash, blushing pears, milk.

Thursday- Beef taco salad fun lunch, or chicken fajita taco, Spanish rice, charro beans, broccoli and cheese, milk.

Friday- Chicken nuggets fun lunch with roll, or kickin' bar BQ chicken-leg with baked beans, potato salad, corn on cob, seasoned green beans, rosy applesauce, roll, milk.

Texas Fest set for March 10th

It's almost that time of year again! Texas Fest is coming March 10th!

Hutchinson Elementary School will hold the annual fundraising event, Texas Fest, on Thursday, March 10th at the

Railhead Building located downtown at the corner of 1st and Elm Street. The fun will begin at 5:30 p.m. and continue until 8 p.m.

There will be games galore and spectacular baskets for auction to enjoy with your friends and family.

Since the fun is taking place at supertime, organizers have just the thing for hungry families. "We will be serving our famous Hutchinson hamburgers with all the trimmings for \$5," school secretary Lisa Flores said Tuesday.

The event is a major fundraiser for the school, so mark your calendars and make plans now to attend. Bring your kids and grandkids.

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Local Government Code 52.013 requires that the descriptive caption and the penalty section of any ordinance or executive order containing a penalty section be published two consecutive times in the local newspaper of general circulation. Please be advised that the City of Colorado City is now publishing this information in accordance with the Local Government Code 52.013.

ORDINANCE 2016-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLORADO CITY, TEXAS, SETTING RATES FOR WATER SERVICE, SANITARY SEWER SERVICE, AND GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICE AND ESTABLISHING VARIOUS FEES UNDER CHAPTER 13, UTILITIES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF COLORADO CITY; PROVIDING REPEALER AND OPEN MEETINGS CLAUSES; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

EFFECTIVE DATE

IV. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication as required in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Local Government Code.

Donna Madrid, City Secretary

SCHOOL NEWS

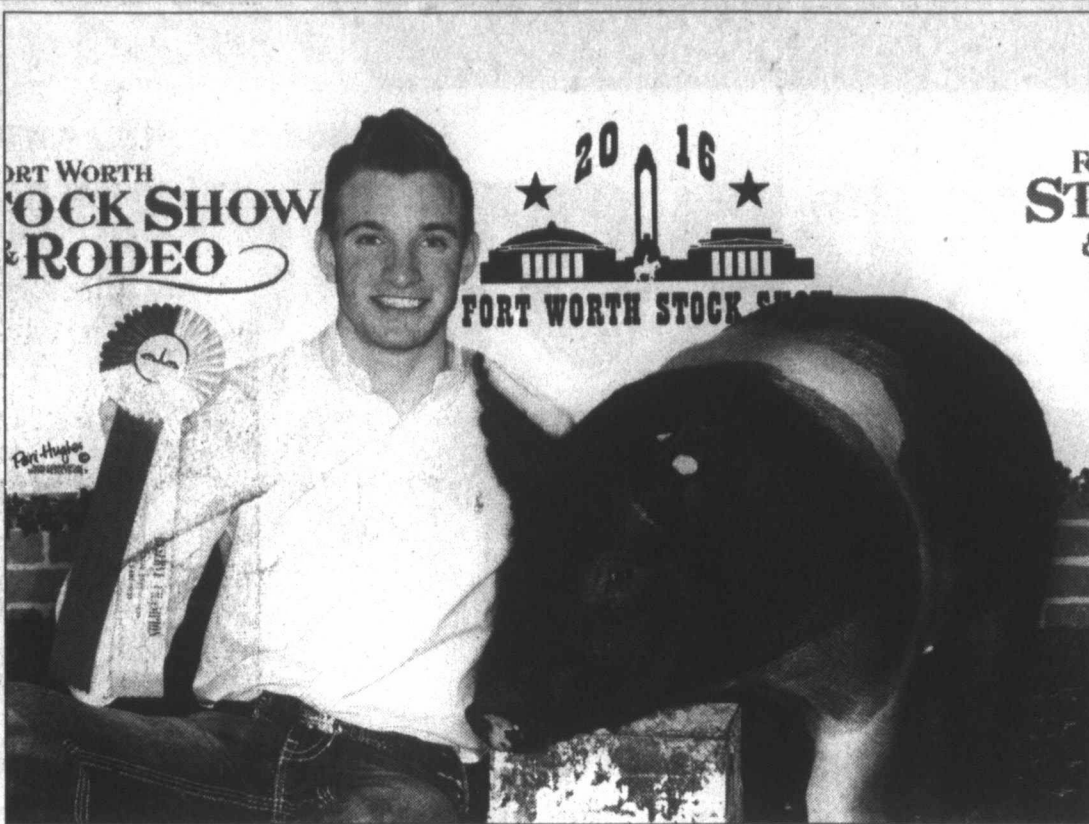
Loraine ISD, ASU to host financial aid presentation

Loraine ISD, along with representatives from the financial aid office of Angelo State University, will be hosting a financial aid presentation on February 25th in the LISD cafeteria. The presentation will address all areas of the financial aid process, including but not limited to: Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Scholarships, grants, loans, work study, and Texas state 529 college savings plans.

The presentation will begin at 6:00 p.m. and should last about one hour. After the presentation, the school's computer lab will be opened, and parents will be able to work on their FAFSA with the help of LISD and Angelo State Staff members' assistance.

Parents are advised to bring W-2 forms from the current tax year and a copy of last year's taxes as well.

For more information contact Doug Fortenberry at Loraine School at 325-737-2225.



RESERVE CHAMPION HAMPSHIRE BARROW — Colorado FFA member Calvin Spencer placed with the reserve champion Hampshire barrow in the Junior Barrow Show held at the Fort Worth Stock Show on February 4th.

Spencer places at Fort Worth show

Calvin Spencer, a FFA member from Colorado City exhibited the Reserve Champion Hampshire Barrow in the Junior Barrow Show at the 2016 Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo on February 4th. The 2016 Show is hosting junior exhibitors from 238 counties across Texas competing for awards and \$143,940 in premiums.

Of the 29,000 entries at the nation's oldest livestock show, the livestock exhibited by more than 11,500 junior exhibitors are

among the best market animals in the country. While the livestock are impressive, one of the Show's main objectives is to support the professional and leadership development efforts offered by 4-H and FFA programs in Texas.

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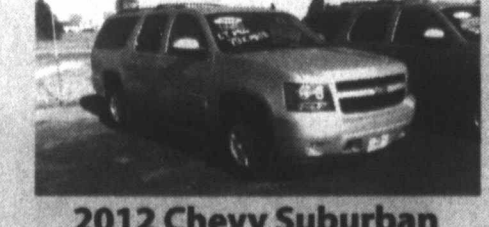
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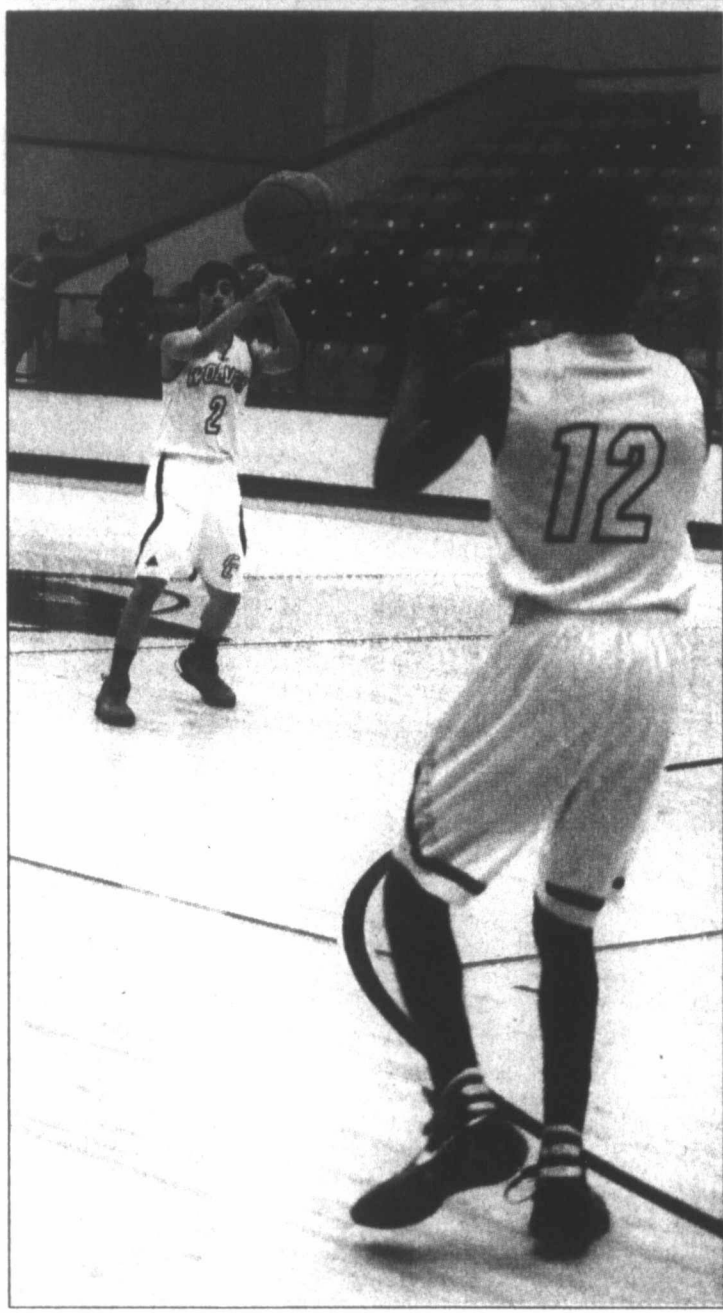
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SPORTS



ON THE WAY TO A CHAMPIONSHIP — Senior Mark Muñoz shot a pass to Molik Boone in the Wolves' 57-25 win over Sonora in Wolf Gym Tuesday night. The Wolves are expected to play Ballinger in the first round of the playoffs next week. Photo courtesy of Caleb Chaney.

Wolves become district champs after final win

The Colorado City Wolves are district champions following a 57 to 25 victory over Sonora Tuesday night at Wolf Gym.

Colorado City enters the playoffs as the district's number one seed and will probably play Ballinger next Tuesday. The time and place is to be announced Wednesday after our deadline.

The championship was Head Coach Billy Quinn's first as a Wolf. Quinn is in his third season as the Wolves' head basketball coach.

Leading the Wolves' scoring was the trio of Kwentin Malveaux, Markis Monroe and Tommy James, all scoring 9 points each. Dylan Meguire and Molik Boone each poured in 8 points, while Mark Muñoz added 6 and Andrew Burrola scored 4 points.

The Wolves' win wasn't pretty, as both teams committed a lot of turnovers and the shooting was below par. All that matters is the end result: a district championship.

Loraine falls to Abilene Hawks

The Loraine Junior High boys' basketball team fell to the Abilene Hawks on Monday, 31-16. The loss brings the team's record to 6-4 for the season and 6-2 in district.

The Bulldogs started the game well, outscoring Abilene 4-1, and Loraine had a 1-point lead at halftime. However, a 6-point rally by the Hawks in the third period doomed Loraine.

Cameron Garza and Cadon Walthall led the scoring for Loraine, with 5 points apiece. Walthall is credited with 6 rebounds, while Garza got 7.

Jeffrey Putnam scored 3 points and got 2 rebounds, and Jaxson Phariss scored 2 points and had 3 rebounds. Giovanni Benivamondez is credited with 9 rebounds and 2 steals, while Christian Diaz got 1 rebound and 2 steals.

Loraine drops two games to Highland

The JV and varsity Loraine Bulldog basketball teams faced always-tough Highland last week, and both dropped games to the Hornets. The JV lost 24-14 and the varsity was defeated 71-24.

On Tuesday, February 9th, the JV Bulldogs played a good game against the Hornets but could not pull out the win. The Hornets led scoring efforts in every period and ended up beating Loraine's JV 24-14.

Oscar Gonzales led the Bulldogs in scoring with 6 points, and Jesus Deleon scored 3

points. Hunter Austin and Armando Gonzales each scored 2, and Matthew Nixon got a free throw.

The varsity Bulldogs suffered a similar fate, losing to Highland 71-24. The Hornets outscored Loraine 27 to 2 in the first frame and led 56-10 at halftime.

Senior Patrick Tillis scored 14 of Loraine's 24 points. Dakota Smith scored 6 and Javon Walthall and Esian Fuentes each pitched in 2.

The Bulldogs wrapped up basketball season in Hermleigh Tuesday night.

LADY WOLVES BASKETBALL PLAY-OFF BRACKET



BI-DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

Lady Wolves win over Ballinger

The Lady Wolves are Bi-District Champions! It was a convincing 52-37 victory over Ballinger Monday night in Water Valley.

Junior Baylie Lindsey scored 19 points to lead the Lady Wolves. Kaidyn Kimball scored 12 points and Alexis Muñoz scored 8. Alexa Garza also added 6 points. Taylor Epperson scored 3 points, and Clancy White and Makaylah Rivera each scored 2 points.

"Last night's game wasn't the prettiest game we have played,

but we got the win and got to advance. It's been a long time since the Lady Wolves have won a playoff game. I felt like we were a little nervous in the first half. But, this team has developed a toughness over the season, and it has made us better on defense and offense. We will need to execute better in the next round," Head Coach Barry Kimball said Tuesday.

The Lady Wolves have a 21-3 record this season and will play Cisco or Coleman Friday night, probably in Abilene.



GETTING SOME MAJOR AIR — Dylan Meguire jumped up high for a lay-up in the Wolves' victory over Sonora Tuesday night. The Wolves are the 2016 District Champions! Photo courtesy of Caleb Chaney.

Thank you to the voters of Mitchell County...

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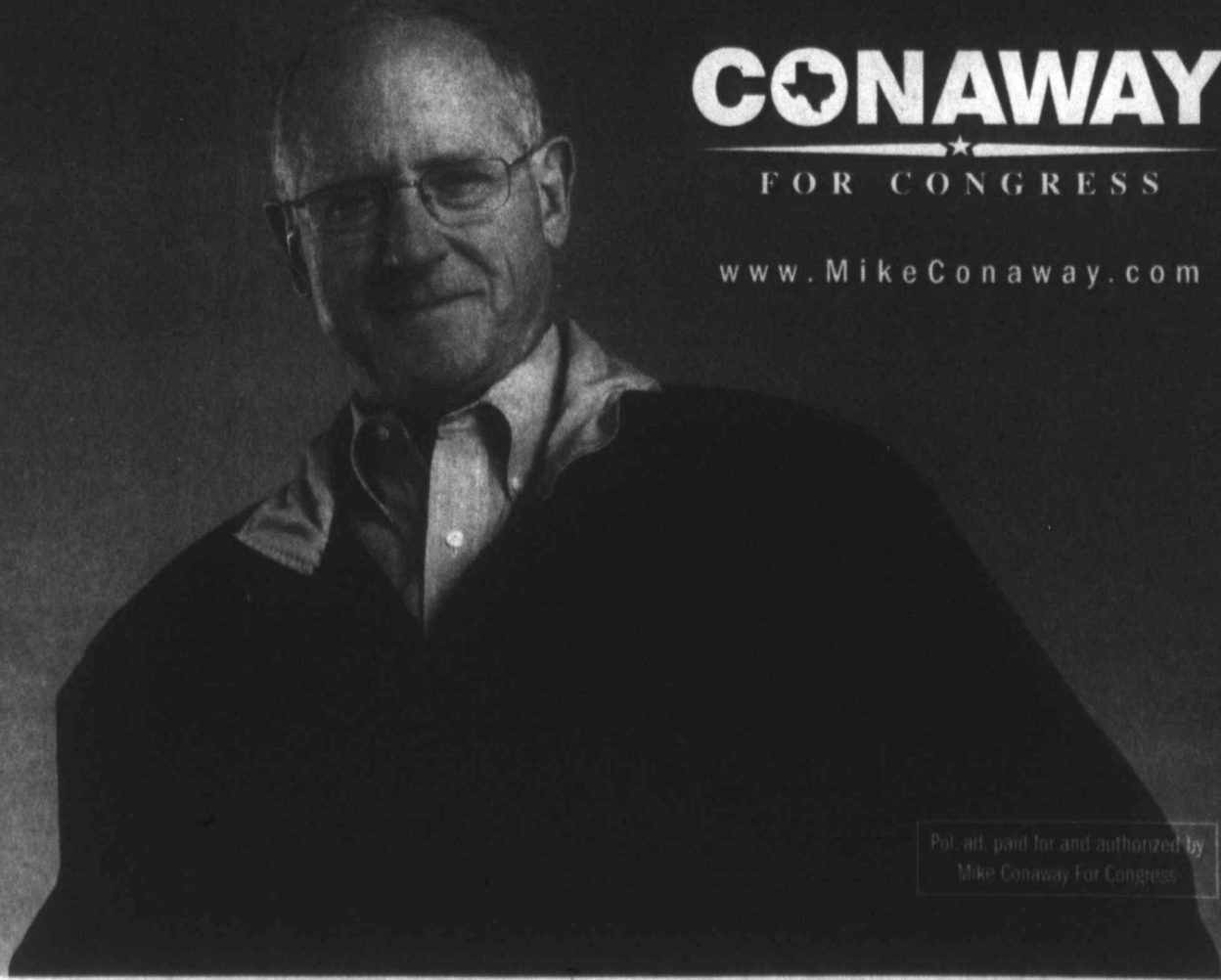
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SPORTS

Top 25 rules for you to know

Misunderstood high school basketball rules are listed

The following list was published by the Butler County Basketball Officials Association. Butler County is in Ohio. So, even in other parts of the nation, officials and coaches have difficulty with the following "25 Misunderstood Rules in High School Basketball."

1. There is no 3-second count between the release of a shot and the control of a rebound, at which time a new count starts. Comment: We officials know this, however.....

2. A player can go out of bounds, and return inbounds and be the first to touch the ball! Comment: This is not the NFL. You can be the first to touch a ball if you were out of bounds. However, you must establish yourself as inbounds. "Something in, nothing out."

3. There is no such thing as "over the back". There must be contact resulting in advantage/disadvantage. Do not put a tall player at a disadvantage merely for being tall! Comment: See comment #1....

4. "Reaching" is not a foul. There must be contact and the player with the ball must have been placed at a disadvantage. Comment: See Comment #1

5. A player can always recover his/her fumbled ball; a fumble is not a dribble, and any steps taken during recovery are not traveling, regardless of progress made and/or advantage gained! (Running while fumbling is not traveling!) Comment: You can fumble a pass, recover it and legally begin a dribble. This is not a double dribble. If the player bats the ball to the floor in a controlling fashion, picks the ball up, then begins to dribble, you now have a violation.

6. It is not possible for a player to travel while dribbling. Comment: Basketball Fundamental #6. Page 73 of the Rule Book.

7. A high dribble is always legal provided the dribbler's hand stays on top of the ball, and the ball does not come to rest in the dribblers' hand. Comment: See #1.... The key is whether or not the ball is at rest in the hand.

8. A "kicked" ball must be intentional, and contact must be any part of the leg. Comment: MUST be intentional. We miss this too many times at the lower levels.

9. It is perfectly legal for a player to rebound his/her own air ball, provided the official deemed the shot a legitimate shot. Comment: Case Book 4.44-B describes this play exactly.

10. It is impossible to travel, double dribble or carry while taking the ball out for a throw in. I have seen officials tell athletes they can't move on a throw-in. Why? This is not a rule. You have limitations but you can move. Comment: They must stay over the spot in a lateral manner. Rule 4-42-6 --- The spot is 3 feet wide and has no restrictions on depth.

11. A ball cannot travel over the top of the back board, however, it can travel behind the backboard. Comment: The ball can pass through the poles, wires, standards, etc., provided that it does not touch anything.

12. A defender does not have to "give the dribbler a step". As long as legal guarding position has been established, it is up to the dribbler to avoid contact. The person with the ball should expect to be guarded. Comment: Legal guarding position is the key. Time and distance are not an issue when guarding someone with the ball. Rule 4-23-4.

13. The sides, top, and bottom of a rectangular backboard are IN BOUNDS. Comment: Lead official should NEVER be looking to make this call.... Why?

14. Jumpers may tap the ball simultaneously; may tap the ball twice; and when a legally tapped ball touches the floor, a player other than a non-jumper or (believe it or not) a backboard, the jump ball has ended, and either jumper may recover it! Comment: Rule 4-28-3

15. A 10 second count continues when the defense deflects or bats the ball. Comment: The count ceases only when possession changes.

16. A "moving screen" isn't a violation unless there is contact. (If contact occurs, it's a "BLOCK", which is a foul.) Comment Rule 4-40

17. Any contact foul during a live ball is personal, not technical! Comment: The contact can be flagrant, but never technical.

18. Basketball is NOT a non-contact sport. Incidental contact does occur, and contact which does not create an advantage/disadvantage may be ignored. Contact on the shooter should be called. Comment: This is our bread and butter. Purely judgment. Understanding the flow of the game and the teams that are playing are paramount in you being able to determine correctly what is and what is not a foul.

19. Any unsportsmanlike contact during a dead ball is a technical foul! Comment: See #17

20. A defensive player does not have to be stationary to take a charge.... he or she simply must have established a legal guarding position. The defense can move backward and sideways. Comment: Legal guarding position must be established. OFFICIALS! ATE THE DEFENSE!!

21. An intentional foul is always penalized with 2 free throws, except on a missed 3-point shot, which is awarded 3 free throws. Comment: Rule 4-19-3

22. When an airborne shooter commits a player control foul, his/her successful try for goal cannot be allowed, regardless of whether the try was released before or after the foul! Comment: Rule 4-1

23. Lifting the pivot foot does not constitute a travel unless the ball handler puts the pivot foot back on the floor prior to beginning a passing, or shooting the ball! The pivot foot cannot be lifted before the dribble is started. Comment: We miss this too many times! Hold your whistle until you see what transpires.

24. It is not goaltending if, after contacting the backboard, the ball is touched by a defensive player, provided the ball has not reached its apex and it is not inside the cylinder. Comment: It is legal for a defender in the normal course of trying to block a shot, to contact the backboard with his hand. This is not basket interference. It is a technical foul only if, in your judgment, the contact with the backboard was intentional in nature with no real attempt to block the shot.

25. Backboard interference occurs when: a player touches the ball or basket (net included) when the ball is ON or within the basket; touches the ball when it is touching the cylinder having the ring as its lower base; touches the ball outside the cylinder while reaching through the basket from below. Goal Tending occurs when: a player touches the ball during a try or tap while it is in its downward flight entirely above the basket ring level and has the possibility of entering the basket in flight; or an opponent of the free thrower touches the ball outside the cylinder during a free throw attempt. Comment: Touching the net is only a violation if the ball is in contact with the rim, or is within the basket. It is not a violation if the net is touched while the ball is in the cylinder. Again, the lead official should never have to make this call.

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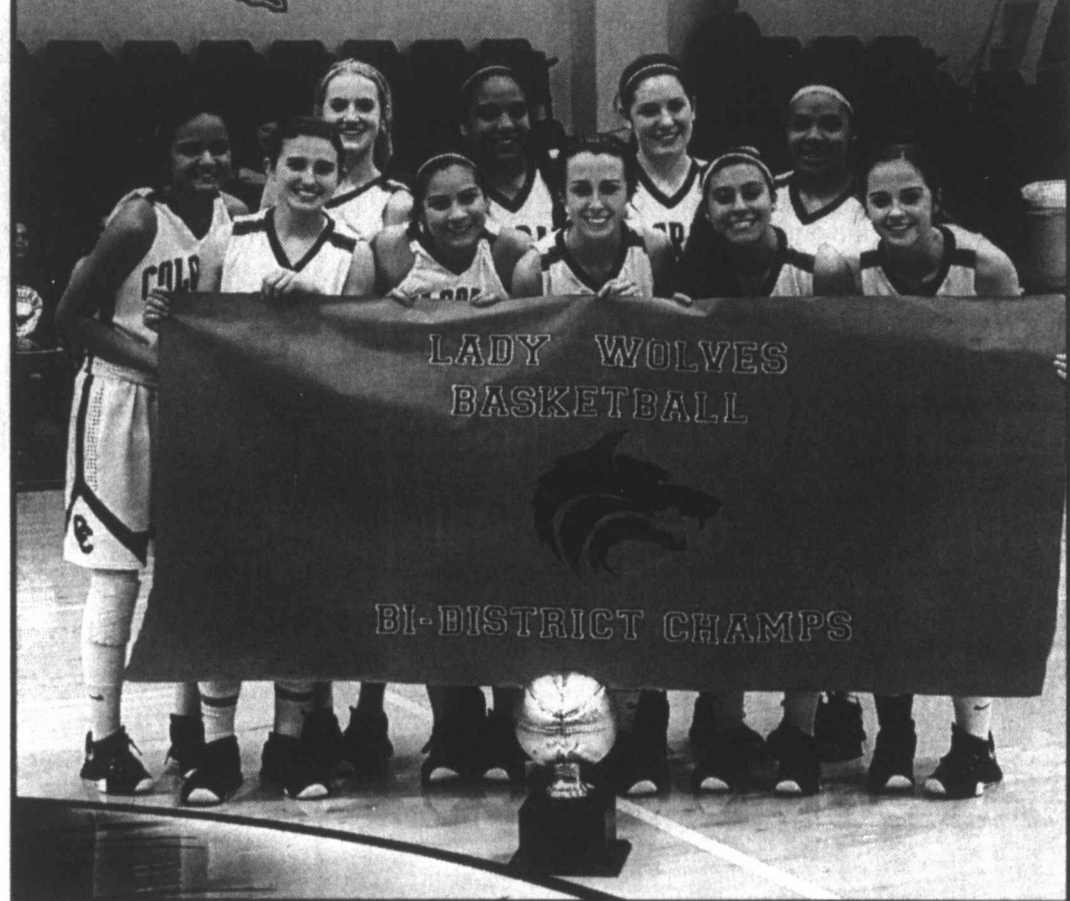
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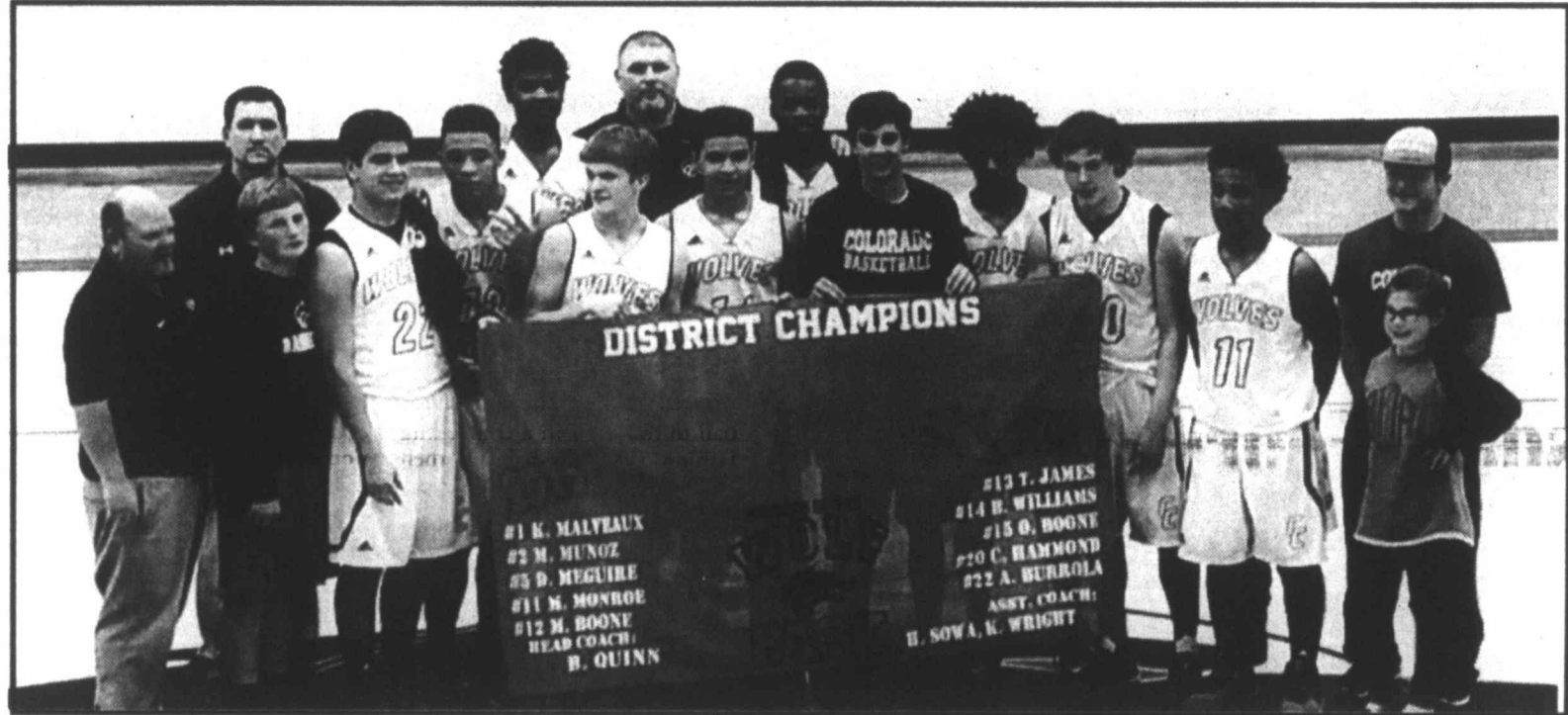
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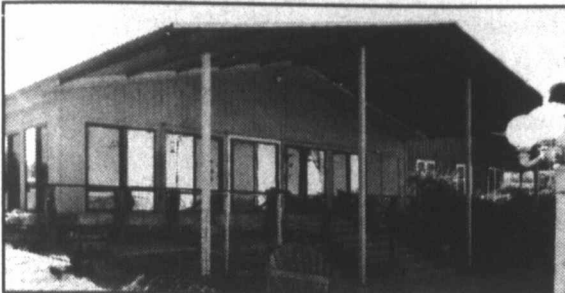
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FEATURED LISTING
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RESIDENTIAL

NEW! 806 LCR 315 - Cute 2 bedroom, 2 bath cottage style lake home. Has a stackable washer/dryer and a detached garage that was partially finished as a guest house. \$75,000. Call Dana.

NEW! 1743 & 1735 Vine St. - 1 - 2 Bedroom, 1 bath rock house with another 1 bedroom, 1 bath efficiency apartment beside the main house. Priced to sell at \$65,000. Call Dana!

NEW! 962 E. 16th - This spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath house has a lot going for it. It has 2 living areas, good sized bedrooms and 2 baths. Priced to sell quickly! \$55,000. Call Dana for appointment.

NEW! 840 E. 11th - Beautifully updated 3 bedroom, 2 bath house with ceramic floors throughout. Has updated baths and is move in ready. Has 5 lots with mature evergreen trees on west side. Has a well on the property but no pump. Must see to appreciate. Call Dana for appointment. \$107,000.

NEW! 1441 Cypress - 3/2 Completely remodeled. Too many new updates to list. \$96,000.

REDUCED! 1202 E. 10th - Great location, large 1/2 acre lot on corner of 10th and Eastover. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath. Close to new school. \$69,500.

NEW! Between E. 20th and E. 21st - 6 Lots located between E. 20th and E. 21st. Zoned R-1 for single family residential. Lots are partially cleaned off on 20th St. side \$30,000.

REDUCED! 606 Reeves Loraine - SOLD!
REDUCED! 100 Blk of E. 21st - 3 Duplexes all currently full. Each unit has 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, fireplace, carport and storage area. \$380,000.

7808 CR 395, Snyder, TX - Open floor plan with 2 living areas, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath.

COMMERCIAL
I-20 Frontage - 221.73 acres I-20 frontage. Great potential for variety of commercial uses. \$10,000 per acre.

LAND

NEW! 4975 N Hwy 206 - 5 Acres North of Colorado City about 3 miles North on Hwy 206. \$30,000.
52.96 acres along I-20 and going deep to 18th St. Land is zoned for commercial to residential. Call for specifics. \$650,000.

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NEW! 532 Elm
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NEW! 1244 Walnut
Brick home located on large corner lot. 2 or 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 carport, large den with fireplace. Come see all the possibilities this home has. Priced at \$78,000. Approximately 1793 square feet.

Other new listings
1904 Chestnut - 2 Bedrooms, 1 bath. \$39,000
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2146 LCR 252 - Two mobile homes priced at \$70,000. Great buy!



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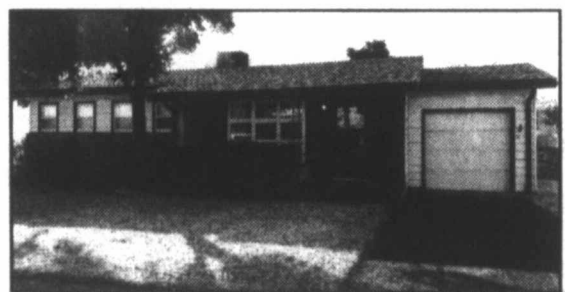
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NEW! 967 Marshall - 3 bedroom 1 full and 2 half bath. Large home, great location, and beautiful yard.

EXCLUSIVE LISTINGS

NEW! 2334 LCR 252 - 3/2 lakefront cabin with 2 living areas.

NEW! 1644 Locust - 3/2 Large home on corner lot with 2 car garage.

NEW! 604 E. 9th - Charming 2/2 with 2 living areas and large master.

NEW! 937 LCR 311 - 3/2 Lakefront property with dock. Extra lot w/ RV hookup.

NEW! 917 LCR 311 - Lake lot with carport slab, water well and septic on site.

NEW 605 W 6th - Sweetwater - 2/1 Investor wanted. \$30,000

NEW! 5444 LCR 256 - Nice 3/2 lake home with wraparound deck and plenty of storage.

NEW! 1903 Mulberry - Cute cabin on 2 lots with RV hookups.

REDUCED! 2142 Locust - 3/1 Updated with new CH/AC.

REDUCED! 5142 PDQ Rd - 2/2 Home at the lake. \$31,600

609 E. 9th - 2/1.5 On large corner lot, 2 car detached garage and workshop.

2632 LCR 252 - Lakefront property with 3 lake cabins.

REDUCED! 1202 Elm - 3/2 Corner lot. Well kept home with single car carport.

REDUCED! 919 E. 13th - 2/1 Updated with nice fenced in backyard.

445 S. FM 1229 - SOLD

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

N 1-20 Frontage - 1900 + feet of N 1-20 Frontage. Great location for restaurants, shopping mall, retail, etc. Just west of new Stripes.

South I-20 Frontage Road - 4.2 Acres at corner of 17th and S. Frontage Road. Great location for a new business.

LAND

NEW! I-20 N - Frontage commercial acres just West of new Stripes. Call for more information!

NEW! 2449 NHWY 208 - SALE PENDING

REDUCED! FM 2836 - SOLD

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NEW! 3/1 - nice updated home with CH/AC - Available March 5.

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Police Chief presents profiling report to council members

Colorado City Police Chief Luis Aguilar presented the 2015 Racial Profiling Report to members of the city council last week. The report is required by law and reflects all traffic-related stops made by police officers whether an arrest is made or a citation is issued.

A letter attached to the written report defines racial profiling as law enforcement initiated contact based on an individual's race, ethnicity or national origin rather than on the individual's behavior or on information identifying the individual as having engaged in criminal activity.

Racial profiling is strictly prohibited by members of the Colorado City Police Department, and there is a

policy in place that prohibits such acts. Information regarding racial profiling is also listed in the city's website and the police department will provide a form for citizens to file a written complaint if they feel that racial profiling has occurred.

All police vehicles that are regularly used for traffic enforcement have video cameras installed. All traffic stop videos are saved for 90 days, and a sample of traffic stops are reviewed for concerns by a supervisor.

The information presented during the council meeting suggests that the CCPD is in line with current demographics in Mitchell County. The number of traffic citations and arrests

for the various races or ethnic groups are similar to the actual local racial makeup.

In the report, Aguilar said that a total of 535 traffic stops were made in 2015, resulting in 530 citations, one arrest and four with both citations and arrests. Of those stops, 41 were African American, three were Asian, 262 were Caucasian, 227 were Hispanic, and two citizens were of Middle Eastern descent.

Only in eight of those stops was the race or ethnicity of the driver known, while 527 times it was not known. Searches were conducted 15 times and were not conducted on the other 521 stops. Of the 15 searches, seven were consented and eight were not.

Don't forget dog manners when out with your pet

With the weather warming up, more and more people are getting outdoors and taking their dogs with them. Animal Control Officer Rustine Lendermon wants to remind citizens that there is such a thing as common courtesy regarding dog behavior.

Lendermon said that all dogs being walked in Ruddick Park, on city streets, or on any other public property, must be kept on a leash at all times. Also, owners must clean up after their dogs.

The animal control officer said that leashes aren't the only answer when trying to prevent dangerous behavior. Recently, two dogs were on leashes with their owners in Ruddick Park. The owners allowed their pets to get close enough to interact, and the larger dog attacked the smaller. Monday evening, the smaller dog was still being

treated for injuries at the local vet clinic.

Owners need to be careful about allowing interaction between dogs at the park. Even if your dog is not generally aggressive with people, it may be aggressive with other dogs. Be smart and keep your dog close enough to be under control to prevent a similar situation from occurring again.

Lendermon said the 2016 tags are in and pet owners can come to the Colorado City Police Station on 3rd Street to renew registration and get the new tags. If anyone has a pet in the city limits, they must register it with the city by stopping by the police station and filling out the paperwork, paying the fee and picking up a tag.

If you have animal control questions, you can contact the police department by calling 325-728-5294.

CITY OF LORAIN

FINAL 2016-2017 BUDGET HEARING

City of Loraine will conduct a final public hearing on the City's 2016-2017 Budget, on February 29th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the City Hall room located at 111 S. Main Street, Loraine, Texas 79532. The topic to be discussed will be the City's Proposed Budget for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year.

The City encourages interested citizens to participate in the hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and comments to Jamie Munoz, City Secretary. Handicapped individuals that wish to attend this meeting should contact the City Hall, to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two (2) days before the meeting so that the appropriate arrangements can be made. If anyone interested in attending the public hearing requires a translator, please contact City Hall, prior to the public hearing so arrangements maybe made. All written comments will be addressed in writing within fifteen days after public hearing.

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LOCAL NEWS

Ballot applications are confusing local citizens

According to County Clerk Debby Carlock, State Democratic and Republican Parties sent out applications for ballots by mail to voters 65 years of age or older. While it may seem like a nice convenience, there are some things that voters should be aware of when receiving the applications.

Carlock said the applications are actually sent out to help each party. The application from the Democratic Party is to help voters that wish to vote a Democratic ballot by mail, and the application from the Republican Party is to help voters that wish to vote a Republican ballot by mail.

These applications are not being mailed out by the Mitchell County Clerk's Office and should be read carefully. The county clerk must send a party primary ballot by mail to the voters that mail these in for the respective parties.

If a voter sends in the Democratic application, a Democratic ballot will be sent to the voter. If the voter sends in a Republican application, a Republican ballot will be sent to the voter.

If a voter receives one of these applications, they may:

1. Use it to vote a Democratic Ballot by mail, if it is from the Democratic Party, by mailing it to the County Clerk's Office.
2. Use it to vote a Republican Ballot by mail, if it is from the Republican Party, by mailing it to the County Clerk's Office.

3. Shred it and throw it away if they do not wish to vote by mail.

Carlock said she wants to make sure voters have all the information they need before casting their vote and are aware that the applications being sent out can be confusing.

If a voter 65 years of age or older has not received an application for a ballot by mail from either party and they want to vote by mail, they may contact the county clerk's office at 325-728-3481 extension 620 and request an application for a ballot by mail. The application from the County Clerk's office will give the voter the option to choose which Party Primary Ballot they wish to vote. The application must be received in the county clerk's office by 5 p.m., February 19th.

If a voter has already sent in the wrong application and received the party ballot that the voter doesn't want, the voter may cancel the application and vote the other party ballot if they do so on or before Election Day, March 1, 2016 and if the ballot has not already been counted on Election Day by the Early Voting Ballot Board.

For more information on this, call the county clerk's office at 325-728-3481.

Deadline to file for county, school boards is Feb. 19th

Deadline to file for a seat on most school and city boards is coming up on Friday, February 19th. Election Day is slated for May 7th.

As of Tuesday afternoon, Andrew Fuller was the only candidate to file for election to the council of the City of Colorado City. Three seats are up for election. Council members will be elected to represent District 3, currently held by Marcelo Alvarez; District 4, held by Sendia Blake; and District 6, currently represented by Fuller.

Deadline to file for a seat on the city council is Friday, February 19th at 4 p.m. Anyone wishing to file may do so at City Hall at 180 W. 2nd Street in Colorado City.

Two seats are up for election on the Colorado ISD Board of Trustees. Seats representing Place 3, currently held by Larry Mason, and Place 7, currently held by Sally Neff, will be decided by voters in a Saturday, May 7th election.

As of Tuesday afternoon, no one had filed.

Deadline to file for a seat on the CISD Board of Trustees is Friday, February 19th at 5 p.m. All filings take place at the CISD Business Office, located at 1132 Hickory Street in Colorado City.

Two spots will be up for election on the Loraine ISD Board of Trustees. Board members will be elected to positions currently held by Duane Linam and one vacant seat. As of press time, Linam and Brian Butler had filed. All seats on the school board are at-large, meaning citizens residing anywhere in the district can file to run.

Filing takes place at the school at 800 S. Lightfoot in Loraine until Friday, February 19th at 5 p.m.

No one had filed to run for a spot on the Loraine City Council as of 4 p.m. on Tuesday. Seats currently held by Max Tillman, Eddie Galvan and Joann Mahan are up for election in May.

Because the city just called the election last week, filing deadline is April 7th, according to City Secretary Jamie Muñoz. To submit an application to be on the ballot, visit City Hall on Main Street in Loraine.

Three representatives on the Westbrook ISD Board of Trustees hold seats that are also up for election. As of Tuesday, Jason Morris, Thomas Connell and Jim Bob Hale had all filed to run for re-election to those seats.

The mayor and both council members are up for election in the City of Westbrook. The spots are currently held by Mayor Lynn Gaston, and council members are Elida Fuentes and Matt Holbrook. As of Tuesday afternoon, only Gaston had filed.

Anyone wishing to file for a seat on the WISD board should contact the Westbrook school by calling 325-644-2311.

Primary Ballot they wish to vote. The application must be received in the county clerk's office by 5 p.m., February 19th.

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Events Calendar

Feb. 10	Texas Fest	Railhead Bldg.
Feb. 17	Texas Trails Board Meeting	FUMC Fellowship Hall
Feb. 17	Conaway Town Hall	Copper Press
Feb. 20	Wildlife Track & Sign Program	State Park
Feb. 20	All Around the Campfire	State Park
Feb. 25	AARP Tax Help	Library
Feb. 27	Jr. Ranger Day	State Park
Mar. 4	Chamber Banquet	Civic Center
Mar. 14-18	Paint the Town Purple - RFL	Around Town
Apr. 1	Relay for Life Jail	Fullers Parking Lot
Apr. 9	Relay for Life	Railhead Bldg.

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

Thank you for your support!

I am honored to have served you the last few years as your commissioner of Pct. 1. I look forward to serving you in the future. Thank you for your continued support.

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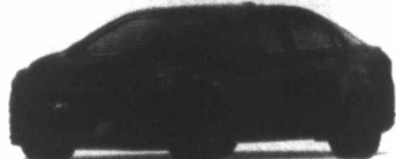
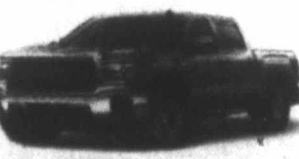
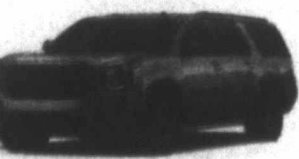
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