

COLORADO CITY RECORD

The Poppy Mallow Capital
of the World

75¢
PER COPY

16 Pages in 1 Section

Thursday, April 28, 2011

Serving Mitchell County Since 1905

Colorado City, Loraine & Westbrook

House fire claims one life



June McMillan

A house fire, which broke out Sunday afternoon, April 24, claimed the life of a Colorado City woman.

June Black McMillan was trapped inside her home on 809 CR 100, according to Colorado City Fire Chief Rufino Martinez.

The structure was fully engulfed in flame when firefighters arrived at 4:33 p.m., with "the biggest concentration at the south part of the house where she was," Martinez said.

Firefighters made an effort to enter the house, but intense flames and

heat drove them out.

The fire spread to the home's carport, shed and workshop. CCVFD fielded eight trucks, while Westbrook and Loraine Fire Departments sent two trucks each to help battle the fire.

Firefighters spent an hour bringing the blaze under control but were at the site until midnight moving debris and dealing with hotspots. Fire fighters returned Monday to attend to additional hot spots that flared up again.

The fire apparently broke out when the McMillans' printer or a piece of computer-related equipment exploded.

At first the family thought the minor blaze was under control. By the time Mr. McMillan discovered it was not, thick smoke filled the home blocking access to the computer room. McMillan called to his wife but received no answer and went next door to call the fire department.

Mrs. McMillan's son, Gillis Ellis, was unable to come downstairs because of thick smoke and had to find an alternate route of escape.

The fire is being investigated by the state fire marshal, a standard practice involving a fire-related death.



FLAMES QUICKLY ENGULFED the home of Weldon and June McMillan on CR 100 Sunday afternoon. Mrs. McMillan was killed in the blaze.

Firefighters battle grassfire Tuesday

Approximately 12 fire departments were called out Tuesday evening to combat a grassfire two miles west of 7 Wells Road.

The call came in around 5 p.m. with gusting winds up to 40 mph.

As of Wednesday morning, the origin of the fire, which destroyed two small, unoccupied, weekend homes, was unknown.

A hunting lodge was burned, along with an estimated 20 electrical poles.

Several power lines came down during the fire and electrical service to the affected area was also cut by the utility companies and had not yet been restored by Wednesday morning.

The winds changed out of the north around 9:30 p.m. and another fire started north of Champion Lake Dam.

Firefighters, including the US Forest Service, worked most of the night to contain the blaze.

A fresh outbreak occurred early Wednesday morning along the easternmost portion of the fire zone north of FM 2319.

Although the fire began burning itself out, the possibility of high winds later in the day concerned firefighters.

Conditions were very similar to Sunday, February 27, with high winds, extremely dry conditions and low humidity.

Firefighters saved several houses,



A GRASS FIRE cleared rangeland the the outer basin of a dry Champion Lake Tuesday evening, threatening homes and livestock along south Hwy 208 and FM 2319.

es, battling heat and smoke.

Trucks were dispatched to threatened homes and continued to spray water on the structures until the fire burned past it.

All four county precincts sent equipment and water trucks to battle the blaze. CC Tank Rental also sent water trucks.

There was one severe hand injury

to a Precinct 4 employee. He was treated at Mitchell County Hospital and released.

On Monday, the county commissioners extended the burn ban for an additional 30 days due to dry conditions, high winds, low humidity and continued heightened alert of wildfires.

Fire fundraiser set Saturday at Railhead

A fish fry meal and benefit auction will be held this Saturday at the Railhead Building in downtown Colorado City to assist the families who lost their homes in February's brutal grass fire.

"There was an inner passion to make a difference in the lives of those that have been touched by the fire disaster," Margo Connell, the driving force behind the community fundraiser, said.

The Fire Recovery Fundraiser, sponsored jointly by local civic clubs, will begin with a fish fry or brisket dinner and all the trimmings at 5 p.m. at the Railhead.

Meal tickets are available from any Kiwanis, Lions, or Rotary member for a minimum donation of \$8. Tickets can also be purchased from any of the local financial institutions in both Colorado City and Loraine.

The meal will include fish or brisket, potato salad, coleslaw, French fries, hush puppies, red beans, dessert and tea.

The auction begins at 6:30 p.m. with dozens of high quality items available from day hunts to diamond rings. Three items will also be available for a raffle.

See RAILHEAD p. 5

Candidates to speak at political forum

The Chamber of Commerce will host a question and answer political forum Thursday, April 28 at 7 p.m.

Candidates running for mayoral races in Colorado City and Loraine in the May 14 elections will be present, along with those running for three at large positions on the Loraine school board.

Cedar Street fire still under investigation

An investigation into the cause of a house fire at the corner of Cedar and 4th two weeks ago is ongoing.

The state fire marshal collected evidence last Tuesday in the case, which was sent to the

Each candidate will make a five minute platform presentation before answering questions submitted in writing.

For a pre-forum look at the position of Colorado City candidates for city council and mayor on certain topics, see the story on page 3.

Austin lab, according to Interim Police Chief John Bivins.

No determination as to the cause of the fire has been made, and the results of the lab testing may take up to six months before being released.

Hospital board approves policies

By Stephanie Perez

The Mitchell County Hospital District Board of Directors approved several policies Tuesday evening, including a "Statement of Excellence."

The Statement of Excellence was only part of the approved policies. Other included a statement of ethics, dress code and some additions to the nursing policies. According to hospital CEO Robbie Dewberry, only three more policy manuals need to be adapted to the electronic medical records system.

Part of the Statement of Excellence reads, "At MCHD, we have the privilege and honor to

provide excellence in customer service. We take pride in, not only meeting, but exceeding the expectations of patients, families, caregivers, physicians, volunteers, vendors and fellow employees. We will honor the trust placed in us by treating everyone with dignity, recognizing unique social, economic and personal diversity."

Dewberry advised that the Statement of Excellence will be posted on the hospital's website, and all potential MCHD employees must sign that they agree to the terms of the statement before they are hired.

During the financial report,

CFO Joe Wright commended the new physician at Family Medical Associates. According to hospital statistics, Dr. Bryan Reynolds saw over 200 patients in March. "He came to work," Wright said.

Along with patient visits increasing at the clinic, admissions at the hospital have increased by 57, when comparing this year-to-date with last year.

As of March 31st, the hospital had a little over \$1.9 million in the bank, and as of Tuesday, April 26th, the account total was closer to \$2.44 million.

Marsha Rickard reported on Valley Fair Lodge, telling board

members that the nursing facility currently houses 38 patients, four of those on Medicare and two of the lodge's residents are former employees of MCHD. Valley Fair Lodge is approximately 74% full currently.

During the audit report earlier in the month, the audit firm's representative gave board members the impression that the hospital district may be out of compliance on their bonds.

According to Dewberry, both he and Wright have contacted the district's bond agent and attorney and both were assured that the district is still

See RAILHEAD p. 16

Around Town

Gary Redwine clearing the street... Congratulations Lady Wolves softball team... James Williams playing some golf... Joe Stinson playing his best round of golf ever (65)... Happy 13th birthday Hunter Gonzales (Apr. 29)... Roxann Hilley chasing after grandbabies... Happy 5th birthday to Austin Wood (Apr. 27)... Happy birthday Emily "Sweet Pea" Upham (Apr. 29)...

Answerline

Q. When does early voting begin?
A. Early voting for the May 14 election begins Monday, May 2.

Immunization Clinic

The Texas Dept. of State Health Services will hold an immunization clinic Wed., May 4 from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Wallace Center, 149 S. Hwy. 208. Flu and pneumonia vaccines will be available. Please bring child's immunization records to clinic along with Medicaid and/or CHIP cards. For more information, call 325-754-4945.

Wallace Fundraiser

The Wallace Senior Center will host a Sunday Lunch Fundraiser May 1 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$7 for adults and

\$4 for children 12 and under. Menu includes roast beef, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, dessert, tea, coffee, and water. Call-in orders are welcome, 728-1089. Proceeds go to the Wallace Center Nutritional Program.

Book Donations

The Mitchell County Friends of the Library are accepting donations of used books, DVDs, and CDs. The items will be used in the upcoming book sale. All proceeds support the Mitchell County Library. Call 728-3968 for pick-up of donations.

Town Hall Meeting

U.S. Congressman Mike Conaway will be at the Civic Center Thurs., Apr. 28 from 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. to answer questions and hear from his constituents. The public is encouraged to attend.

BBQ Sale

St. James Baptist Church will sell barbecue plates Mon., May 2 from 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Lunch and dinner meals consisting of barbecue plates with all the trimmings will be available. Proceeds help support the church.

Ragball Tourney

There will be a ragball tournament at the Sports Complex May 14th. Signups will be held May 13th at 5 p.m., pool games to follow. Cost is \$15 per person. Minimum 10 players per team. Contact Homer at 325-933-0235 or Jeff at 325-933-0217.

Women's Ministry

Mitchell County women coming together for fellowship, encouragement and serving their community with One Heart. First meeting will be May 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the C.C. Thompson Room.

LOCAL NEWS



COLORADO CITY WAS well represented at a Texas Midwest Community Network luncheon in Roscoe on April 13. Luncheon attendees included: (l-r) Carla Sauer with Mitchell Co. Board of Economic Development, Colorado City Community Development Director Amie Wood, Snyder Chamber of Commerce Director Melissa Elam, Snyder Boys & Girls Club Director Clint Ziehl, Snyder City Manager Merle Taylor, Colorado City Mayor Carol Sue Dakan and Paula Hatfield with Scurry County Historical Commission. Photo courtesy of TMCN.

Dedicated Truck Driving Positions

Predictable Work Schedule
Experienced Truck Drivers

SCHNEIDER
NATIONAL

Apply at schneiderjobs.com/newjobs
Call 1-800-44-PRIDE for more information

Network shares ideas

Colorado City was represented at a network luncheon in Roscoe on April 13. Attendees included Mayor Carol Sue Dakan, Community Development Director Amie Wood and Carla Sauer with the Mitchell County Board of Economic Development. Roscoe community leaders hosted one of five network luncheons sponsored by Texas Midwest Community Network this spring.

Discussion at the luncheon focused on "Effective Local Efforts". Community representatives from neighboring cities shared information on projects that create community-wide involvement; how to engage youth in community projects; and growing local leaders. The group also received an overview of the Texas Midwest Community Network organization.

Cities represented at the luncheon included Roscoe, Colorado City, Merkel, Rotan, Snyder and Sweetwater. Representatives from TSTC West Texas, Workforce Solutions and Texas Department of Agriculture also attended. The meal was catered by Frank S. "Pete" Porter.

Texas Midwest Community Network is a one-of-a-kind regional organization founded in See IDEAS p. 5

Library to host author May 5

The Mitchell County Public Library will host an area author on May 5 from 2 to 5:30 p.m. for a book signing.

The public is encouraged to come out and meet Mike Eggleston from Hermleigh and check out his book, *Distorted Pillar*.

"It (the book) is an interesting read of unexpected situations that develop as a be-

ginning lawman strikes out at anything that he considers unethical, unfair or unpatriotic," said librarian Brigada Hiser.

The fiction book is based on several events from Eggleston's law enforcement career in Big Spring and Howard County. *Distorted Pillar*, written under the pen name Mike McKee, is available at Fuller Foods.

FSA emergency loans now available

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) is now accepting applications for Emergency Farm Loans resulting from drought occurring from March 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

Mitchell and Taylor Counties have been named as primary counties where eligible farmers may qualify for FSA EM loan assistance. Nolan, Sterling, Coke, Fisher and Scurry Counties have been named as contiguous counties where eligible farmers may qualify for FSA EM loan assistance. Farm Loan

Manager, Justin B. Holland, asks farmers who want to apply for emergency loans to submit their applications as soon as possible. The deadline for applications is Nov. 28, 2011, but if farmers wait too long, a backlog will develop and cause delays.

Generally, farmers who have lost 30 percent of their production due to designated disaster are eligible for emergency loans. The FSA office is located at 103 W. Florida Avenue in Sweetwater.

Museum brings art, music together for May concert

Two of Colorado City's native sons will return to the Opera House Friday, May 6 for a benefit concert.

Legendary musician Jay Boy Adams and high profile artist Bill Worrell will take the stage at the Opera House following a steak dinner at the Heritage House.

Tickets are \$40 for the dinner and concert and will help support the Heart of West Texas Museum. Tickets may be purchased at the Heart of West Texas Museum, 340 East 3rd, 728-2072.

Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Heritage House, followed by

the concert at the historic Opera House.

Although Adams and Worrell have distinguished themselves in the music and art fields, they consider Colorado City home and enjoy regaling audiences with stories from their past.

Singer, songwriter and guitarist Adams, proved a musical artist can enjoy a second musical career. Adams gained fame from 1977 to 1982 as a pioneering roots-rock recording and touring artist, then left to found one of the top tour bus transportation companies in the music business. He returned to his music in 2007 with the acclaimed Top 5 Ameri-

OBITUARIES

June McMillan

COLORADO CITY -- June Black McMillan, 78, passed away at her home on April 24, 2011. All arrangements are pending with Kiker-Seale Funeral Home in Colorado City.

TxDOT urges cycle safety

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently kicked off a statewide Share the Road motorcycle safety and public awareness campaign (www.looklearnlive.org) to urge motorists to look twice for motorcycles at intersections and when changing lanes, the two places where serious motorcycle collisions commonly occur.

Safety experts at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration report that more than two-thirds of all car/motorcycle crashes are caused by drivers.

"Seeing them is saving them" is the theme of TxDOT's new campaign, which uses TV and radio commercials and billboards to drive home the new safety message. TxDOT asks drivers to:

- * Do a double take, check twice
- * Remember motorcycles have rights, too
- * Give them space
- * Anticipate next steps

cana chart album, *The Shoe Box*.

A warm and friendly outdoorsman with a flair for humor and satire, Worrell is energized by the elements in life that surround him. He maintains two full-time studios, one in Santa Fe and one in Texas. His studio on the banks of the Llano River in Art, Texas is a synthesis of New Mexico, Texas, and designs inspired by his life-long passion for archeology.

One of Worrell's pottery pieces is on display at the City National Bank and will be auctioned off at the community fire recovery fish fry fundraiser this Saturday at the Railhead.

Farm program provides safety net

As the drought in Texas continues, wildfires are a daily threat to livestock operations across the state. In the event of losses experienced as a result of wildfire, eligible ranchers and livestock producers can apply for benefits through the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) administered by USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA).

"This program provides livestock producers with a vital safety net to help them overcome

the damaging financial impact of natural disasters," said Keith Hiser, executive director for USDA Farm Service Agency in Mitchell County.

LIP provides assistance to producers for livestock deaths that result from natural disaster. LIP compensates livestock owners and contract growers for livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality due to adverse weather, including losses due to hurricanes, floods, blizzards, dis-

ease, wildfires, extreme heat and extreme cold. Eligible losses must have occurred on or after Jan. 1, 2008, and before Oct. 1, 2011.

"A notice of loss must be filed with FSA within 30 days of when the loss of livestock is apparent. Livestock that die within 60 days of the date of the qualifying event, but prior to Oct. 1, 2011 will be considered eligible for loss benefits," Hiser said.

USDA has established normal See FSA p. 5

RE-ELECT SUE MASON



Council Member, District 2
Vote on May 14, 2011

I will work for the future of Colorado City!

Paid Political Advertisement, Paid for by Sue Mason, Colorado City, TX

Member FDIC

No Cash.
No Problem.

Use your debit card from The City National Bank of Colorado City instead.

Next time you're out of cash, don't worry. You can use your debit card from The City National Bank of Colorado City anywhere credit cards are accepted. Just swipe and go!

In the rare instance that credit cards aren't accepted, you can take your debit card to any ATM and receive cash just by entering your unique personal identification number (PIN).*

With your debit card from The City National Bank of Colorado City, no cash really is no problem.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK of Colorado City

228 Elm • Colorado City, Texas 79512 • 325-728-5221 • Member City National BancShares, Inc • www.cnbccity.com

*Certain fees may apply when not using one of our conveniently located ATMs: CNB drive-thru, Fuller Foods and Gas n' Grab

Colorado City, Texas

Heart of West Texas Museum

An Evening with

Bill Worrell & Jay Boy Adams

May 6, 2011 - 6:30 p.m.
Steak Dinner and Concert
\$40 per person

Call, mail or email for additional & RSVP information
340 East 3rd - Colorado City, TX 79512

(325) 728-2072
museum@cityofcoloradocity.org

LOCAL NEWS

Candidates talk freely about issues

Candidates running for political office on the city council in Colorado City graciously answered a series of questions by the Colorado City Record concerning the biggest challenges facing the city, efforts to revitalize the city's water well field, the city's debt on the old water delivery system, the possibility of a desalination plant, whether the city should operate a day care center and a 5% raise for the city manager.

Sammy Contreras

The biggest challenge is going to be the water situation. In talking to the engineers, I feel I have a lot of information to bring to the city council. I feel strongly we are going to overcome this problem.

The water wells were supposed to be cleaned every five years. They haven't been cleaned in 15. It's important we do this, but it doesn't mean it will clear it up. The water is little because it's all stopped up. We're going to have to move forward, even if we have to put in new wells.

We all need to work for the betterment of the whole county. We have to all pull together or a desalination plant won't work. We have to look at the budget and the county budget and look to grants. It's a big project that needs a lot from all of us. There are grants out there. I know the state of Texas would help us. Even if we can't afford the debt, in order to survive, we have to do it. We don't have a choice.

Daycare is very important. We have to look at some issues pertaining to money and see what we can do. If the county and city

See SAMMY p. 5

Carol Sue Dakan

Our water supply has got to be refurbished. We've got to find more or we've got to accumulate more water rights from more people. I do not want for us to be buying land to get those water rights. That's a lot of money to spend. Not only are services being cut in small towns, the state of Texas is cutting services. I mean, look at your education. I was just reading an article the other day that private education is really going to have to be picking up. A lot of people in larger towns are going to private schools.

The way I understand it is we drilled 12 wells, of which five are not producing at all and probably the best thing the City of Colorado City did was hire Michelle Guelker with Dale Dickard. She's probably the hardest working, the most conscientious, responsible person that I can think of in this town that's been doing it after her experience with the Lone Wolf Groundwater Conservation District. I know the wells are very corroded. They should have been serviced on a regular basis and this is what

See DAKAN p. 6

Bobbie Banks

Water is an issue I think most of Texas is facing. If we don't do something to supply the water needs of our city, we're going to be in bad shape. We're at a survival mode and finding the resources for us to have adequate water supply is going to be a big challenge. I know there are things in the works for doing that. I've sat in on the budget meetings and budget workshops. I'm interested in seeing how all that will play out.

In such bad times, we're rationing water on a small scale right now, but it does hurt home owners. If they go down and can de-scale those wells and make that water usage much better, it's definitely worth a try to us. If we can get up to 40% above increase in water to our town, that will be a big help. Do we need more than that, yes we do. We need a lot more than that. Everybody in West Texas and mainly in Colorado City are all praying for rain. But we've got to be realistic, too. We have to try everything we can. I want to get in here and be supportive of whatever is going on to get us more water and to

See BANKS p. 7

Sue Mason

We have a dire need for water. We have got to find other resources; where to get it, how to find it. If we don't have water, we don't have a town. It's just that simple. There's a lot of infrastructure that has been neglected through the years because of funding. Water is a big issue.

I'm hoping cleaning the wells is going to work. It would give us some relief. I hope it rids the deposits and frees up the flow to take pressure off some of the wells that are working so hard.

All our debt is related to water, \$8.5 million. It stems back from the mid-1990s water sewer treatment and well field and the drive by meter reading system. We're not using the treatment system, but we are still using the underground pump to deliver water. Most of the treatment is done at the well fields. We're using the old system for distribution and underground storage. It's dilapidated, old and inefficient and we're still paying for it.

We're going to have to have long term water for the next 40-50 years for our kids, grandkids, for the town to survive. The de-

See MASON p. 5

Bob McNeal

Water will be the big challenge, but I don't think it is as great a challenge as some might believe. Basically, if we can clean the screens in the pumps, we'll see a good improvement in the water. The screens haven't been cleaned in 15 years. That's part of our problem. Coming up with the money for the operation of our budget is another challenge. It's tough to save money and fund our budget.

I think the cleaning process at the well field will help. Percentage wise I'm not sure, but if it's like the engineer says, we should see a marked increase. But we have no way of telling until we see what we've got down there. I know farmers are getting water for their crops and we're in the same aquifer. If they can get water out of the aquifer, we can get water out of the aquifer if our wells are conditioned.

I know we've got \$8.5 million (debt), but not all of it is water. Before we think about borrowing money (to secure a long term water supply) we need to fix the well system and condition it. We don't need to be too quick to bor-

See MCNEAL p. 5

Students to compete in California

Three FCCLA (Family, Career, Community Leaders of America) will advance to the national competition to be held in Anaheim, California in July.

Alyssa Leverton will present Behind the Wheel, in the National Program in Action category, which teaches teens driving

safety skills.

"It's also about teaching parents about teen driving and young teen moms about safety," Leverton said.

Ashli Cooper and Tucker French will present their exhibition, Haus of Coffee, in the Entrepreneurship category.

See FCCLA p. 5

City sparkles after cleanup

Keep Colorado City Beautiful, in conjunction with the City of Colorado City, took another big step toward cleaning up Colorado City with the annual spring cleanup Saturday.

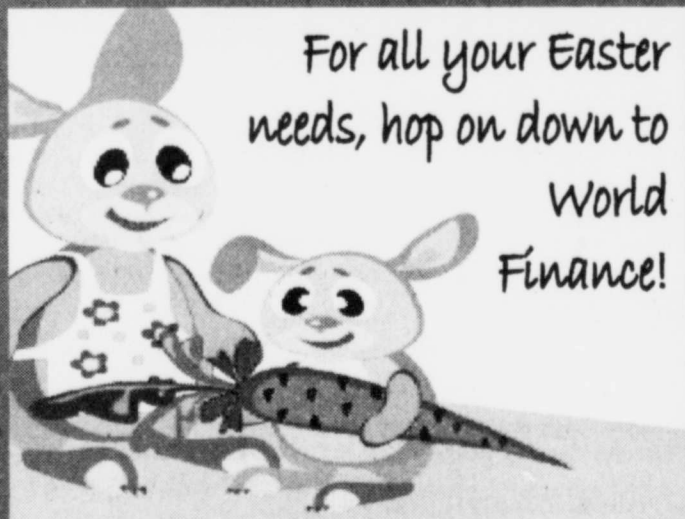
KCCB members and city crews, as well as local citizens,

spent last Saturday ridding the community of lots of unwanted debris and trash. Volunteers met at 8 a.m. Saturday morning in the First Baptist Church parking lot to fuel up on donuts and coffee, before heading off to a day

See KCCB p. 5



CITY OF COLORADO City employees (l-r) José Jaimes and Danny Copeland, along with KCCB member Clifford Ramon, worked hard picking up yard waste and other debris during Saturday's city-wide cleanup.



Loans available from
\$220 - \$4200

**WORLD
FINANCE**

1226 25th St., Snyder, TX
325-573-9335

Phone applications welcome.

Mesothelioma

EXPERIENCE
COUNTS
Lawyers with over 100
years combined experience.

may occur 30 to 50 years after exposure to asbestos. Many workers were exposed from the 1940s through the 1970s. Industrial and construction workers, along with their families (second hand exposure) are among those at risk for mesothelioma, lung cancer or gastro cancer (throat, stomach, colon). Call us for professional insight.

Ryan A. Krebs, M.D., J.D.
Disctor-Lawyer in Full-time Law Practice
Richard A. Dodd, L.C.
Timothy R. Cappolino, P.C.
Board Certified (National Board) Trial Law and Court Trial
Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization
NO FEE FOR FIRST VISIT
CAMERON TEXAS
1-888-MESO-FIRM
(1-888-637-6347)
www.MesoFirm.com

Elect Bobbie (Bender) Banks Mayor of Colorado City

If you elect me as Mayor of Colorado City, I will not sacrifice this City's:

- Integrity
- Morals & Values
- Image
- Or respect for fellow Council Men / Women for my own self opinion



**Vote for
Bobbie Banks**

I will bring with me a 21 year unblemished professional career.

Pol. Adv. Paid for by Bobbie Banks Committee, Gaye Houston, Treasurer



**CLIP THESE
COUPONS
& SAVE!**

**AVAILABLE
TOPPINGS:**

Pepperoni, Ham,
Beef, Sausage,
Italian Sausage,
Green Peppers, Onion,
Mushrooms, Ripe Olives,
Jalapenos,
Pineapples
and extra cheese

**2 LARGE
2 TOPPING
PIZZAS
14⁹⁹**
+ tax

Offer valid at Pizza Pro,
Colorado City, TX
Coupon expires Apr. 30, 2011

**15 PIECES
FRIED CHICKEN
17⁹⁹**
+ tax

Plus 2 Sides
Offer valid at Pizza Pro,
Colorado City, TX
Coupon expires Apr. 30, 2011

**2 Med. 3 Topping
PIZZAS
12⁹⁹**
+ tax

Offer valid at Gas 'n' Grub,
Colorado City, TX
Coupon expires Apr. 30, 2011

**DINNER PLATE
+
1 FOUNTAIN DRINK
5⁹⁹**
+ tax

Offer valid at Gas 'n' Grub,
Colorado City, TX
Coupon expires Apr. 30, 2011

**BBQ
SANDWICH
& Drink
4⁹⁹**
+ tax

Offer valid at Gas 'n' Grub,
Colorado City, TX
Coupon expires Apr. 30, 2011

**GAS 'N'
GRUB**

2110 S. Hwy. 208
& Bus. I-20

728-3622

OPINION & COMMENTARY

TUMBLEWEED SMITH From hogs to hearses

Bill Wilcox lives on Lake Buchanan just outside of Burnet. He has a late fifties Chevy that he restored from a pile of parts. He keeps it in a locked trailer that is as clean as a surgical suite. His red and white car, in perfect condition, has won numerous prizes at car events. He has an unbelievable man-cave behind his house. It looks like a miniature version of Luckenbach. It has all kinds of things that mean a lot to him scattered throughout the place. A barbeque cooking area looks like he could prepare a meal for hundreds of people.

"I call it the Y'all Come Back Saloon," says Bill. "It was modeled after the Judge Roy Bean West of the Pecos saloon down by Langtry. I started off with a picture of that place and just kept adding to it. There are so many additional rooms and porches on it now it has lost some of that original architecture. I've been continually working on it for 29 years. This place has the story of Texas history in it. It has a lot of stuff I've collected and a lot of stuff that different people have given me."

You could spend a lot of time in Bill's Y'all Come Back Saloon. It has a bed in it and doubles as a guest room. But there are so many interesting things to look at guests stay up late browsing. It is a typical old frame building you might find in the east Texas countryside.

He and his family built a home and moved onto Lake Buchanan in 1982 and after awhile Bill got to looking for a place where he and his dog could go and just relax together. So he started working on his retreat, which is made from old barn wood. The saloon has a 1957 Rockola jukebox that has 200 45 RPM records on it. Don't dare ask him if he knows the words to all the songs on it or he'll show you he does. Then he'll tell you all about the songs and what they really mean. He has made a study of country music.

When he was growing up around Cisco, Bill's family bought hogs from farmers and delivered them three times a week to Swift Packing Company in the Fort Worth stockyards. After delivering the hogs, they went to eat in a fancy restaurant called The Flamingo. Bill calls it an elite barbeque place.

"It had something we had never seen before: valet parking. My dad and granddad would get a big charge out of pulling up in front of the restaurant in this old double-decker hog truck and having those valet boys park it. Usually those boys really hustle to park the vehicles that pull up in front of the restaurant, but they weren't in such a hurry to park that big old truck. It was quite an experience for my granddad and my dad and as a young boy, I got a big kick out of it, too."

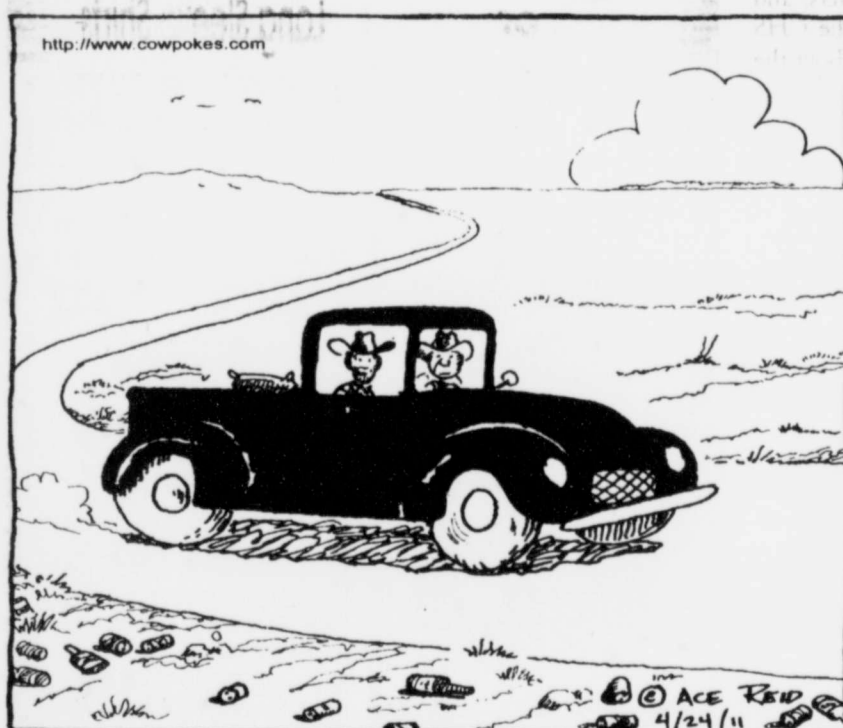
Bill is in the funeral business. I asked him how he got into that line of work.

"In Cisco, I was 14 years of age and went to work for the local funeral home, mowing grass, washing cars and running errands for my bosses. The gentleman who owned the funeral home was Mr. W. O. Wiley. I just observed every day that he wore a nice suit of clothes and drove a nice automobile. When I would go home I would see my father come in bone-tired from 13 or 14 hour days. I was always associated with the shipment of the hogs. I would go on all the trips in the summertime. I just made up my mind that after smelling that aroma from the floorboard of that old hog truck going to the stockyards that I should find some other direction to take my life. I've been in the funeral business 55 years now."

Bill has served as the mayor of Burnet. During his terms in office he was instrumental in securing a prison, bringing a steam excursion train to town and making sure the lakes were kept up so people could enjoy all sorts of water sports. Bill is indeed a character and wears a trademark hat with lots of sweat on it. His laugh can be heard for miles.

COWPOKES®

By Ace Reid



"I understand that there's a whole lot of shortages, but when it comes to beer cans and wine bottles, there don't seem to be none!"

Cowpokes is sponsored by

The City National Bank

MEMBER FDIC 228 ELM COLORADO CITY 728-5221
Member City National BancShares

Record

Sheila Plagens • Publisher

Carol Parsons
EditorEarl Plagens
Advertising ManagerStephanie Perez
Classifieds/
Circulation ManagerDawn Hawley
SportsAimee Jackson
Loraine Correspondent

257 E. 2nd Street
Colorado City, Texas 79512
Phone: 325-728-3413
Fax: 325-728-3414

Editorial Deadline:
Tuesday, noon
Advertising Deadline:
Tuesday, noon
Classifieds Deadline:

2011 MEMBER - TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

The Colorado City Record (ISSN 122800) is published every Thursday morning at 257 East 2nd St., Colorado City, Texas 79512 by Colorado Record Inc. Each edition is entered as weekly periodicals with the Colorado City branch of the United States Postal Service. By Postal Service regulations, all subscriptions must be paid in advance of the first delivery date. Yearly subscription rates: \$30 in county; \$36 in Texas; \$42 out of state.

An erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any firm, person or corporation in the columns of this newspaper will be corrected when brought to the attention of the publisher.

Send address changes to the Colorado City Record, 257 E. 2nd St., Colorado City, Texas 79512.

©2005 Colorado City Record

The legacy of a good name

By Dr. Larry Fitzgerald
Plainview Church of Christ of Colorado
City, Texas
www.plainviewchurchtoday.com

As I was growing up in Abilene, television was a new thing. The first TV station signed on in 1953 with my father and another man as the two news anchors. For over 30 years, my father - Larry Fitzgerald - came into the living rooms of the Abilene area. I shared my name with my father who shared it with his father.

Dad passed away over 10 years ago; yet, to this day, I still have people in our area ask, "are you the Larry Fitzgerald on TV?"

Interestingly, there are a number of Larry Fitzgeralds out there. Most recently, the most famous Larry Fitzgerald in the USA is the wide receiver for the Arizona Cardinals.

The name a person wears carries a reputation. It can be for good or bad.

When it comes to salvation, the right name is important, too. "Salvation

is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

"But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name" (John 20:31).

True salvation is only in the name of Jesus Christ (not Allah, not Buddha, not Krishna, not any preacher) only in the name of Jesus Christ. That's why at the Plainview church we preach only one name - the name of Christ.

Tape measures and yardsticks

By Monte Wike

How long is a foot? How much does a gallon of milk weigh? How many cents in a dollar? How many days in a week, month year? The way to determine these is by measuring. Each unit of measurement has a certain definition or standard. We do not live in the world of "about", "almost", "nearly" "sort of" or "I suppose so". Instead, we have very rigid and inflexible standards to measure against. All the tape measures and yardstick read exactly the same length. It does not vary from person to person, community to community. It is not something we can dream up or cheat on. It is not ours to determine.

There are standards in society as well. They should be as rigid and absolute as any inch, gallon or hour.

Sometimes people have an idea that even if the speed limit is posted, it does not apply to them. They set their own limits or "non-limits". The things that belong to another are theirs to take, deface or destroy. They despise and reject

and battle against authority and rules in any form. They completely disregard standards that apply to others, but not to themselves. In fact, they may have no standards at all, no rules of behavior, no stopping place. Nothing is out of bounds. They set their own laws and rules. It is for this reason that when people like this are apprehended, they are judged by standards, and put into confinement. Some of the legal decisions have no standards as well, but totally rest on the whim or judge or jury.

I am not talking about dictatorship, or canceling freedom of choice. But, if there is complete freedom of choice, then an inch can mean one thing to one person, quite a different thing to another.

The Bible, especially books of the Law, are nothing more than a broad set of standards by which man was to live. Include in these are several references to "just weights" and "unjust weights" "Thou shalt" and "thou shalt not" should be the standard, as rigid and uncomfortable as they seem. To cheat

on these was an abomination. Jesus described Himself as "the way, the truth", meaning He was the standard to which we can measure and by which we will be judged or held accountable.

It is no excuse to say you did not know what the law says, that it is not clear. Most things are written down in clear language. Other standards are by oral instruction and carry the same weight as the written law. The job of policemen is to enforce the law. They go by the written standards and get people to respect them, by force, if necessary.

The job of administrators is often to make sure that employees, students, citizens, customers abide by the set rules. They have to curtail misbehavior, counsel offenders and design ways of punishment or correction.

A tape measure can be consulted at a moment's notice. Every carpenter agrees that their measurement is correct. Why can't the rest of life be that simple and that sure?

Cutting the wrong thing won't help

By Flash Prescott

The Texas legislature has decided that since it misspent the "stimulus funds" during the last two years, public education must make the sacrifice. With a huge budget shortfall looming, public education is going to take the biggest hit.

School districts have responded by offering early retirement and resignation incentives, and by not re-filling open positions. Larger school districts will also be laying off hundreds of teachers, and even in West Texas, some smaller school districts are having to let teachers go: good teachers whose only flaw was living in Texas when the floor crumbled under the budget. This May, how many college students will graduate after four years of expense and hard work, young people who were encouraged to make the sacrifice and become teachers? They will be facing prospects of unemployment. Those who graduated a year ahead of them are looking for jobs after only one year in the school system. In the meantime, we are hearing that classroom size will increase substantially. Those who are fortunate enough to keep their jobs will have to find time for extra preparation, extra grading, crowded classrooms, and all the problems that come with these things. Students have more difficult learning conditions to look forward to this fall.

The legislature has told us that they have done everything possible to save money, to cut corners. Have they really? I can think of two areas that might have saved some teachers' jobs.

First, there is the new 75-miles-an-hour speed limit. In order to go just five miles faster, have we really calculated how much money will be spent manufacturing and modifying signs? The materials, labor, and red tape might have saved a few jobs. For five miles an hour, maybe we could have waited until we had money again.

Next, there is the state-mandated standardized testing. TAKS is very costly, but of course, the federal government mandates that we have this testing in place. However, our state is spending millions with new "End of Course" and "STAAR" exams, all of which are just "field tests" this year, "practice" exams for the real thing that is coming. Could we have waited a year or two for these "new" style exams? Printing, distribution, and grading will be an economic nightmare. Textbook buying has been put on hold -- there is just not enough money for new textbooks -- but Texas has money to burn for these disposable, one-time test booklets.

As we wrangle about photo ID's for voters and other pet projects that get attention in the headlines, let's remember

where the real cost is.

The money is there. The choice is how we are going to spend it. As the Texas house and senate get ready to hammer out a compromise on their respective budgets, maybe we all need to give them one more phone call, one more e-mail, or one more hand-written letter reminding them what is really important. Are you willing to wait two years to go 75 miles per hour? Maybe by then we will all have somewhere to go.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Got something on your mind? Need to get something off your chest or compliment somebody? We're listening. Send your letters to the editor at the *Colorado City Record*, P.O. Box 92, Colorado City, Texas 79545.

Or drop by in person at our office, located at 257 E. 2nd. You can even email us at coloradorecord.com

PUBLIC RECORDS

FILED WITH COUNTY CLERK

James N. Owens Affiant, Carol Sue Dakan Affiant to Craig Anthony Helm Deceased, Affidavit Heirship.

Marshall William Helm, David Winston Helm, Georgia Higgins, Cornelia Landridge, John Austin Helm, Martin Daniel Helm, Jessica Basham to Becky L. Rich, Warranty Deed.

United Methodist Church, Mike Alexander Chairman of Administrative Counsel to Days of Grace, Assumed Name.

American Assurance 2000 LP, Caritas Royalty Fund LLC General Partner, Darren Geiger Agent to BNP Paribas Adm Agent, Betsy Jocher Director, Juan-Carlos Sandoval Director, 1st Amend/D.T.

Robert D. Reeves, Sue S. Reeves to Robert D. Reeves ttee, Robert D. Reeves Trust DTD 12-20-94, Special W/D.

JP Morgan Chase Bank NA Resigning Collateral Agent, Michael Kamauf Authorized Officer to Bank of America NA Successor Collateral Agent, Alan Tapley Asst Vice President, Sheridan Production Partners I-A LP Mortgage, Matthew J. Assiff Exec Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, Asgmt of Lien.

JP Morgan Chase Bank NA Resigning Collateral Agent, Michael Kamauf Authorized Officer to Bank of America NA Successor Collateral Agent, Alan Tapley Asst Vice President, Sheridan Production Partners I-A LP Mortgage, Matthew J. Assiff Exec Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, Asgmt of Lien.

JP Morgan Chase Bank NA Resigning Collateral Agent, Michael Kamauf Authorized Officer to Bank of America NA Successor Collateral Agent, Alan Tapley Asst Vice President, Sheridan Production Partners I-B LP,

Sheridan Production Partners Mgr LLC Series I Mgr, Matthew J. Assiff Exec Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, Asgmt of Lien.

Charles A. Finley to Scott A. Lovett Ttee, Western National Bank, Deed of Trust.

Citibank (South Dakota) NA to Sara Petty, Abst Jdgmt.

Willie Davila Sr., Margie Davila, Oak Creek Home Center 026, Gene David Managing Ptr to Oak Creek Home Center 026, Gene Davis Managing Ptr, Royce D. Clay ttee, City National Bank - Colo City, Mechanics Lien.

Willie Davila Sr., Margie Davila to Royce D. Clay Ttee, City National Bank of Colo City, Deed of Trust.

Manuela Pantoja to Public, Jobita Diaz, Affidavit Heirship.

Cesar Oswald Diaz to Mark Patrick Diaz, Special W/D.

Mark Patrick Diaz to Cesar Oswald Diaz, Special W/D.

Chaparral Energy LLC, Joseph O. Evans Exec VP to JPMorgan Chase Bank NA, Mark E. Olson Auth Officer, Amd Deed of Tr.

Jimmy Morey Revocable Trust, Mary Kathryn Cummings Co-Ttee, Kerry Sue Morey Co-Ttee to K&K Minerals LLC, Min/Dist Deed.

C&L Properties, Charles A. Dawson to Shawn Keen, Quitclaim Deed.

Denali Capital LLC, Jason Bynum Manager to Charles Lavon Martin, Heather Nicole Martin, Warranty Deed.

Charles Edwards dba Custom Creations, Assumed Name.

Charles Bevan Jones Deceased to Mary Ann Jones Applicant, Public, Authenticated.

Western Bank, Jennifer Zuniga Asst Vice President to Larry E. Blair, Fielda B. Blair, Re-

lease of Lien.

Christopher Cotton, Jonathan Cotton to Morgan Holdings LLC, Warranty Deed.

Basa Resources In, Michael N. Foster Jr. President to Brian Malone Ttee, BNP Paribas Administrative Agent, Deed of Trust.

Lindra D. Gutierrez to Michelle Gutierrez, Israel Rusty Davila, Gift Deed.

MARRIAGES
Curtis Stacey Crews to Maribel Mindy Molina, 4-20-11.

Michael R. Kinnan to Sunni Raye Dawson, 4-19-11.

FILED IN COUNTY COURT
Kana Rhea Garcia, 4-19-11, Poss Marij <2 oz.

Jaime David Garcia, 4-19-11, Unl. Carrying Weapon.

Jaime David Garcia, 4-19-11, Poss Marij <2 oz.

Bryan Keith Nail, 4-21-11, Speeding.

ARRESTS
Harley Ray Bell, 21, Ind w/a Child Bench Warrant, 4-19-11.

Christina Gutierrez, 28, CCPD Warrants, Scurry Co., Nolan Co., 4-19-11.

Ronald Eugene Bell, 41, CCPD, PI Enhanced, 4-20-11.

Miguel Gomez, 33, CCPD, Crim. Tress. Habit, 4-21-11.

Chris Nix, 27, MCSO, MTR/DWLI, 4-21-11.

Buford Boyce, 34, MCSO, Non-Pymt Capias, 4-21-11.

Andy Franco, 52, CCPD, PI, 4-21-11.

Welvin Rashad Ross, 33, MCSO, Court Comm, 4-22-11.

Elix Calvin Marion, 38, MCSO, Court Comm, 4-22-11.

THE CISD HE day for an E and particip (l-r) Demarcu 5, 1st prize; ar of Kristi Lee

IDEA

1994 for ec ment, touri regional aw motion, and ness. It is a "communit

KCCI

of work.

Teams of the process b which had b residents for c ances and et taken to PJ's

Other item ed lots of liml were taken to area in Rud niture and tr taken to the l

Workers w at the First Church, cou tional Bank.

Many vol gether to m and cleaner munity Dev

MAS

salination pl ing. We're i ily right now to really lool how it fits in service our c that, I don't citizens ame To borrow n to look at it.

Daycare is need the cet town I've be daycare. Eve place to leav doesn't do it somebody t ing. In ord we need bus daycare an

SAM

work togeth benefit all ing we can together. A work. To 1 nightmare, It was mac are people take advan

F

C

25

LOCAL NEWS



THE CISD HEADSTART students went to Kristi Lee Manor Thursday for an Easter egg hunt. A total of 33 children were present and participated in the hunt. Winners of the three top prizes were: (l-r) Demarcus Rinehart, age 3, 3rd prize; Delmontre Atkins, age 5, 1st prize; and Madison Golden, age 5, 2nd prize. Photo courtesy of Kristi Lee Manor.

IDEAS

From page 2

1994 for economic development, tourism development, regional awareness and promotion, and legislative awareness. It is an organization of "communities working to-

gether to accomplish what one community cannot do alone." For more information about TMCN call 325-795-8626 or 800-845-3563 or visit www.texasmidwest.org.

KCCB

From page 3

work. Teams of volunteers started the process by picking up metal which had been set out by local residents for disposal. The appliances and other scrap metal were taken to PJ's Wrecker Service. Other items picked up included lots of limbs and brush, which were taken to the wood chipping area in Ruddick Park and furniture and trash picked up were taken to the landfill.

Workers were treated to lunch at the First United Methodist Church, courtesy of City National Bank.

Many volunteers worked together to make Colorado City and cleaner place to live. Community Development Director

Amie Wood and Chamber Director Amanda Jo Ritchey fielded calls from residents for pickups. Bob Reily planned routes and set up the program, KCCB members Shirley Delaney, Martha Holstine, Marge Kolman and Robin Chomout served and cleaned up lunch.

City employees took large loads of trash and household debris to the landfill and picked up many curbside loads from individual homes. KCCB members including Ed Blake, Brian Bassham, Bob Brookshear, Brenda Crosley, Carol Sue Dakkan, Clifford Ramon and Hollis Gainey pitched in, worked with the City of Colorado City workers and got the job done.

MASON

From page 3

salination plant sounds promising. We're in debt pretty heavily right now, so I think we have to really look at the cost and see how it fits into the budget and to service our debt. It may come to that, I don't know. We can't deny citizens amenities and necessities. To borrow money, we really have to look at it.

Daycare is very important. We need the center. This is the first town I've been in that didn't have daycare. Everybody has to have a place to leave our kids. If the city doesn't do it, we need to get with somebody to run it and get it going. In order to get college kids, we need businesses, good quality daycare and excellent schools,

hospital and economic growth. We've got to be able to provide services to get young people to come back. Quality, affordable daycare is necessary.

Would I give Pete Kampfer a 5% raise? Yes. He does an outstanding job. He saved us over \$500,000 this year. The raise was in the budget for city employees. To have good, quality employees, they need a pay raise. Employees, who are working hard, doing a good job, need a pay raise. After his hard work, he deserves that raise. It will come up when his annual evaluation comes up in October and has to go before the city council as personnel issues.

SAMMY

From page 3

work together it would certainly benefit all of us. There's nothing we can't do if we all work together. A lot of people have to work. To find a babysitter is a nightmare, it's very complicated. It was made for that and there are people that work that could take advantage of that.

MCNEAL

row more money. It's a Catch 22. Selling water is how we raise a lot of money. If we don't have water to sell, we can't raise money. When we have rationing, it limits the amount of water we can sell, making it rough to raise

revenue. The old system is shut down. We're not using it. Most of the equipment out there is obsolete.

I like the idea of a desalination plant because it would give us more of a supply of water. The

RAILHEAD

From page 1

drawing: a Nintendo Wii system, an iPod and a set of handmade outdoor furniture.

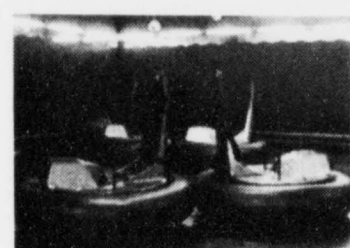
Noted celebrities Bill Worrell and Sharon Gillenwater have also donated items for the auction. State representative Drew Darby has donated \$500 to the recovery fund.

"We have had a tremendous turnout as far as the community is concerned. It's very awe-inspiring," she said.

All funds raised from the raffle tickets, auction items and meal tickets will be deposited to the Fire Recovery Fund account at the City National Bank through the Main Street Program. All expenses for the fundraiser have been donated or paid for.

Posters honoring Mitchell County first responders who worked tirelessly during the fire to protect lives will be prominently displayed throughout the Railhead.

"My hope is that we'll sell out of all the food and I would like to see us raise upwards of \$20,000," Connell said.



BUMPER CAR FUN is one of many items up for auction.

FSA

From page 2

mortality rates for each type and weight range of eligible livestock, i.e. Adult Beef Cow = 1.5% and Non-Adult Beef Cattle = 3%. These established percentages reflect losses that are considered expected or typical under, "normal" conditions.

Producers will be required to provide verifiable documentation of death losses resulting from an eligible adverse weather event, ac-

cording to Hiser.

After filing a notice of loss, livestock producers should file a LIP application as soon as possible to avoid a delay in processing and receipt of disaster assistance.

For more information on LIP, the LIP application process and other FSA programs, please contact the Mitchell county office at 325-728-2651 or visit FSA online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/tx>.

FCCLA

From page 3

The budding entrepreneurs developed their \$10,000 proposal after visiting with local banks about liens and leasing businesses.

"We both really, really like coffee," French said. By visiting with Manhattan Coffee House in Snyder and Mezamiz in Abilene, the two students learned more about what it takes to establish a successful coffee franchise, including where to purchase coffee and coffee flavorings.

"I like the atmosphere inside coffee shops and Colorado City needs a place like this," Cooper said.

Leverton, who frequents the Manhattan Coffee Shop in Snyder, says it's all about the "aahh feeling."

Leverton's own project focuses on raising awareness of teen driving issues, prompting her to contact the Department of Public Service, as well as advertising and

feature opportunities on KWLF and Channel 9.

"It's really not hard," Leverton has also promoted her driving safety tips through posters, and by showing videos to the CHS consumer science class about the effects of drinking and driving.

"So many kids are dying," Leverton said. "They don't know anything about driving safety or they think it won't happen to them."

Statistics show 6,000 teenagers die in driving accidents each year.

"That's equal to a commercial jet full of teens crashing each week for a year," Leverton said.

The students will leave for completion on July 9 and will need to raise \$2,000 each through fundraising for the trip.

Anyone wishing to make a donation, should contact Judy Merrill or Ann Nobles at the Colorado High School.

From page 3

that is going to cost all of us.

No, I would not be in favor of giving Pete (Kampfer) a 5% raise. I just think Pete should set an example when money is tight. Think back to when the federal government was shutting down. It wouldn't affect the senators' and representatives' salaries. It wouldn't affect the president's pay, but it would affect soldiers on the front lines. I'm not saying Pete is not worth the money and I'm not saying he is. I'm saying his present salary is sufficient. I'm working for a school system that implemented a two year wage freeze. Nobody is getting a wage increase for two years because of the financial situation right now. I think sometimes management needs to set the example. A 5% raise for the little guy running the machinery may be the difference between buying groceries or paying the rent. Upper management can make do until things come back into line.

Spring is in the air...
Come see our newest selection of sunglasses, including Ed Hardy, Gucci, Dior, Ray Ban & Oakley.



Dr. Bryan Cave

Optometrist

Therapeutic Certification by the Texas Board of Optometry

Cogdell Center Snyder, TX (325) 573-5571 Mon., Wed., Fri. 9-5
Tues., Thurs., 9-6

Horse Power Boots
By Anderson Boots
3 R Collection
By Tony Lama Boots
Bent Rail Collection
By Justin Boots

\$149.99

Huge Selection of Lucchese

All Men, Women, Kid's Belts

20% OFF

All Coats & Coveralls

50% OFF

WOODS WE BOOTS

Large Group Of Men's Shirts
Values To \$39.99

\$19.99

All Men & Women's Long Sleeve Shirts

30% OFF

Fire Retardant Jeans & Shirts Are Now Available

Mon - Sat * 8:30 - 6:00
East I 20 Colorado City
800-29BOOTS * 728-3722
woodsboots.com

City-Wide Garage Sale
Claude, Texas
Saturday, May 7th
All Kinds of Sales Throughout the City
By Individuals, Groups, and Businesses
Maps & listings available at participating local businesses and at www.claudenews.com.
For more information, call (806) 226-4500 or visit www.claudenews.com.

Flowers for her...

May 6th - Westbrook Prom
May 7th - Colorado and Loraine Prom
Coursages - Wristlets - Boutonnieres
May 8th - Mother's Day
Flower Arrangements - Plants
Jewelry - Balloons
Call or stop in early for best selection!

Stacie's Creations
258 Walnut Colorado City 728-2100

EVERYDAY SPECIAL
2 Large One Topping Pizzas
Breadsticks & Sauce, 2 Liter Soda

18.99

All for only

MONDAY MADNESS
One Large One Topping..... **6.99**

TERRIFIC TUESDAY
Spaghetti with Salad, Breadstick & Drink... **5.99**

WACKY WEDNESDAY
One Med:am One Topping..... **4.99**

THRIFTY THURSDAY
One Large 2 Topping with 2 Drinks..... **9.99**

FABULOUS FRIDAY
Large Stuffed Crust One Topping..... **9.99**

BIG D'S PIZZA & grill
203 E. 2nd - Colorado City, TX - 325-728-3300
Open Sun. - Thurs. 11 - 9; Fri., - Sat. 11 - 10

CLIP COUPON
1 Medium 2 Topping
PIZZA 5.99
SAVE \$2.00!

CLIP COUPON
1 Large 2 Topping
PIZZA 7.99
SAVE \$2.00!

LOCAL NEWS

Frontier history springs to life for author

Texas frontier history comes alive when talking with author Chuck Parsons.

Focusing on the era of the Texas Rangers, Parsons has an uncanny knack for finding the personal aspects that make these larger-than-life lawmen more than a dusty footnote in history.

"I got interested in history through outlaws, lawmen and Texas Rangers back in middle school and high school," Parsons said. "I read and gathered books about them. If you read enough, frequently enough, the idea comes you can also write."

His first book came about by accident while visiting Pecos. "Barney Hubbs was still alive. He didn't have time to write, but he had collected information about Clay Allison. I was allowed

to use his files and materials to write a book about Allison," Parsons said. "The proceeds went to the West of Pecos Museum."

And the rest is history.

Parsons went on to write additional books about Texas frontier lawmen and the outlaws they brought to justice.

"A little bit of success spurs you to keep writing," he said.

The most vivid outlaw he's come across was John Wesley Hardin.

"Using today's terminology, Hardin was serial killer. He grew up in Reconstruction Texas, had all the racial prejudices of the time and had a really big chip on both shoulders. So many times when an incident could have been avoided, he ended up drawing his gun and making it into a

fight," Parsons said. "Everything he did, he believed he was doing for the right reasons."

Hardin was finally arrested on a train for the murder of a deputy sheriff in Comanche.

"The funny thing was the killing of the sheriff was self-defense. The sheriff shot first," Parsons said.

"My theory is he was too young to join the Confederate Army and fight. A couple of years older, he would have been on the battlefield and done all the things a soldier does. It would have changed his personality. He would have put away his guns, raised cattle. Just a theory, I can't prove it," he said.

On the good guy side, the most interesting frontier personality is the ranger who is considered the

greatest ranger captain — Captain John R. Hughes.

"He's almost the opposite of Hardin. He feels the call of adventure, leaves home and lives with the Indians, learns tracking and trailing which he put to good use as a lawman," Parsons said. "A cowboy, buffalo hunter and rancher before he became a lawman, his life covers the horse-back era through the atomic age."

Parsons' only regret is not being able to meet Hughes. "He was alive in the early 40's. If we'd only known, we could have gone and sat down with Hughes and asked him to tell us about what life was like."

For Parsons, history is more than digging through archives. It is touching hands with the physical past as he studies the rangers' actual reports.

"Touching the actual documents, papers, letters the rangers wrote, that's my favorite part of research," he said.



CHUCK PARSONS AND Roland Graham (from left) visit the grave of Colorado City's legendary Dick Ware. Photo courtesy Pat Parsons

DAKAN

From page 3

Michelle is proposing. I would hope they would put us back on the production they were on when they were drilled. As far as a number, I couldn't quote you a number. I know that when they were first drilled the pumps were the wrong size. And now we've gone to the engineers and the engineer said to change the size of the motor.

I know the debt (on the water delivery system) is \$8.5 million, but we do have some other debt on there. The specific figures you're wanting, how many people are going to know that? I have the papers at home. Eight point five million for a town of 4,000 is way too much. We're going to have to buy more water permits. That's all I can say about it.

The way I understand it, the county and Mitchell County water district are involved in it (the desalination plant). The city will benefit. It's being built to benefit our city and the residents of Mitchell County. As far as desal, I spoke with Dennis Patton four or five years ago about it. Mr. Kampfer hadn't been here very long and I suggested he get

with some of these people that knew about the deal. It's definitely an option. If the county and the Mitchell County water district can't get the grant to do it, why do we think we could? As it stands right now, it is theirs, but they're doing it for the city. We're probably going to be the largest beneficiary and I don't know exactly how it's going to work out if they get it in the end. This is a completion project that will be years.

Daycare is necessary but I don't know that I necessarily think the city should run it. The city maybe could work with somebody to take it over, but we're not going to get any industry or any people coming in here unless we can provide some type of child care and it has to be affordable. To quote a family that just moved back here: the reason they moved back is so the grandparents could take care of the children because they could not afford child care and both of them worked. I think that's a trend throughout.

I am for an up to 5% increase for our city employees with the exception of the city manager. I

would like to see him complete one year on a contract before another one is given or a raise is given. Pete has been here 18 months and done a good job on all our projects he was directed by the city council to do, but he's either had a new contract or an adjustment four times. We gave him a salary on the first contract. Three months later he came back and we gave him another raise. This would be his third, within 18 months doing two raises. He was on a two year contract and asked for a three year contract. My whole point is that I am not against Pete getting a raise. I'm just for the fact in 18 months, he got four different contracts or adjustments. He's not up for evaluation until October, but it wasn't up for evaluation three months after he'd been here and he wanted us to reevaluate him and adjust it. And we did. It's not necessary that you wait a year to evaluate and we haven't done it. As far as the 5% raise, I'm just pretty sure he would have gotten a 5% raise. It's not that I don't think he's worth it, it's just let's go one year.

PETTICOATS ON THE PRAIRIE!

FRIDAY, APRIL 29TH 100-7:00
SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH 9:00-5:00

Black Locust Farm
11014 Farmers Lane Ira, Texas
\$5.00 at the Gate-Kids under 12 Free!

**Junktiques, Vintage Treasures, Jewelry,
Clothing, Antiques, Furniture,
Silent Auction and Great Food!**

Find us on Facebook!

2011 SCURRY COUNTY HEALTH FAIR

SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH
1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
THE COLISEUM

Information on services and products available from local and area vendors.

- ▶ Eye Care
- ▶ Family Health
- ▶ Nutrition
- ▶ Alternative Medicine
- ▶ Diabetes Education
- ▶ Home Health Care
- ▶ Hospice Care
- ▶ Non-medical In Home Care
- ▶ Skin Care
- ▶ Sportswear
- ▶ Senior Living
- ▶ And much, much more...

Blood Pressure Checks and glucose Screening available.

Sponsored by Cogdell Memorial Hospital and Scurry County Health Unit.

This event is held in conjunction with the Senior Citizen Center's May Day fundraiser.

For more information contact
Belinda Kerr at 325-574-7182 or Dana Eaton at 325-573-3508.

Endless Summer pops Spectacular

**The Music of Brian Wilson &
The Beach Boys**

**Jeans 'n
Classics**

**Big Spring
Symphony
Orchestra**

Saturday, April 30, 2011 8:00 P.M.
Howard College Coliseum
Corner of Kentucky Way & Birdwell Lane

Dr. Keith Graumann
Music Director and Conductor

www.bigspringsymphony.com 432/264-7223

Ticket Outlets: Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce
Big Spring Herald Blum's Jewelers Faye's Flowers
Heritage Museum KBST Radio Western Banks

LOCAL NEWS

BANKS

From page 3

the citizens of our town. We're not only talking about the citizens here in our city, we're talking about Mitchell County. In general, they're suffering just like we are.

I'm not totally aware of the water treatment debt and how much it is, but I do know we have an old system and it was not working. Whatever they did back then, it didn't work to where they thought it would. Whether it was poor planning or not looking indepth, I don't know. I do know it's not what we need to give us an adequate water supply. That's why we're in "fix it" modes, now. The city council has to be very clear to the city manager that whatever you're doing you need to invest all your resources to make sure this system is going to work with us. We can't keep making those same mistakes over and over again. The city owes \$7-8 million. Does it look like we're going to have to impact that debt by doing more. It is a strong possibility.

I know we're in bad economic times. That's from the federal level down to the local level. But we are blessed in many ways. The oilfields are booming, the windmills are booming. They have been such an asset to Mitchell County in general. I remember tax abatement with hospital 60/40% and 40% return to us. Forty percent is more than what we had. We have some economic stimulation and resources. We can't always run scared, because there are risk takers in everything that we do. And when we talk about the benefits the oil is to Westbrook, we talk about the benefits the windmills are to Loraine and then where do they have to come? They've got to come to Colorado City because they don't have the grocery stores, they don't have the pharmacies, they don't have the service stations. We have got to stop running scared of this economic situation that we're in and take advantage of what we do have and try to work within those confinements.

If I understand it correctly, the county is talking about going in with the city in doing some underwriting for the city to make the desalination plant happen. We're facing a deficit. Our debt is huge. When the hospital was in critical times, we did not have the finances available and we had a huge debt also. But if we wanted to start meeting the needs for the medical services for our community, we had to do what we needed to update and upgrade our equipment. Did it mean we had to borrow money and in more than one loan? Yes, it did. Nothing medical is cheap. But it paid off because now we're mak-

ing money up there. Whatever it takes to get the resources in this city that we need, if it's a visible, working plan, I would support a loan.

Daycare is key to getting young couples to move to Colorado City. It takes two people to work now to make a household function financially. If they have young children and do not have necessary daycare available to them, Colorado City is not going to be where they want to stop. We need to maintain the daycare center. We need to have professional people running it so that it will be an attraction. Not having one is not an option.

I sat through the contract issues and listened to the rational to increase or not to increase (the 5% raise) and how it might impact our debt. I don't want to totally focus on the city manager. If you have quality employees, if you want to keep them, they need to be compensated. The employees of this city, their salaries were increased in that, too. Out of all the issues we're facing in this town, a lot were self-existing before he came aboard. I heard how our debt has been decreased since he's been here and we're owing less money. The water issue is a mindboggling situation that we're faced with for survival and he's out there struggling to meet the needs of the city. I'm not advocating a raise for him. Pete has done a lot of things since he's been here. Some of the ways he has taken care of some of those things, I have not approved or appreciated some of the strategies he has used, or his lack of tact that he has used for meeting some of the needs he had implemented. But on the other side, we see movement. The best answer is that I would have to look at what he has accomplished since he's been here and if those accomplishments would warrant a raise, I would not oppose it. If you have quality, you've got to pay for it.

SHOWING THIS WEEKEND

Now Showing:
April 22-24, 2011

Hop

Fri. & Sat. 7:15 p.m.

Source Code

Sat. 9:15 p.m. Sun. 7:15 p.m.

Coming Soon:

**Rio, Thor,
Madea's Big Happy Family,
Fast Five**

Admission: Adults \$5.50
Children (12 & under) \$4.50
Children 3 & under FREE!

3M PALACE THEATER
Downtown Colorado City
728-9294

**No. 1 Steel, \$240 ton
Aluminum Cans, 60¢ lb.**

Top Prices Paid for ALL
Recyclable Metal
Now with 2 Locations...

Snyder
IRON & METAL
Snyder, Texas

208 N. Old Post Road
Snyder, Texas
325-573-6862

Sweetwater
IRON & METAL
Sweetwater, Texas

1901 W. Broadway
Sweetwater, Texas
325-236-8911

Open Monday - Friday 8:30 - 5:30
Prices good at both locations.

PUBLIC HEARING

HOUSING STANDARDS COMMISSION MEETING

MAY 19, 2011; 6:00 P.M.

COLORADO CITY CIVIC CENTER

157 W. 2ND STREET, COLORADO CITY, TEXAS 79512

The Housing Standards Commission for the City of Colorado City will be conducting a public hearing on May 19, 2011. At such hearing the City Commission shall consider the necessity of requiring repair/demolition of the following substandard structures:

- | | | |
|-----|---|--|
| 1. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Timothy Wyatt Beights
820 Locust (shed only)
All Lt 9 N/2 Lt 8, Blk 91, OT |
| 2. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Donal Bell
833 Austin
Lt 2 JW Watson Subdivision of Lot 2 Blk 105 OT |
| 3. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Asencion Bonilla
2045 Fig
Lts 5&6, Blk 15 La Union |
| 4. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Mrs. Oscar Campbell
2006 Hidalgo
La Union City; Blk 13, Lots 1-3 |
| 5. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Lucas Campos Estate
545 14 th Street
OT City; Blk 173, Lot 4 |
| 6. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Mary Lou Cantu
1746 Plum
Lts 1-4; Blk 1; La Union |
| 7. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Unknown Owner (church)
Principial and Mulberry
AH No. 1 City; Blk 1 Lot 12 |
| 8. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Bayview Loan Servicing LLC
928 Waco (Andrea Garden Apts.)
Section 40, Block 26 T&P |
| 9. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Mt Olive Baptist Church
400 Principial
AH No 1 City; Blk 2 Lot 1-2 |
| 10. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Franciso Molina
720 Hidalgo
La Union; Blk 14, Lots 1-3 W/2 |
| 11. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Mrs. T. M. Molina
814 Hidalgo (shed only)
La Union City Blk 15, Lot 12 |
| 12. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Jovita Ortiz
1737 Mulberry
Lts 3-4 Blk 4 La Union |
| 13. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Gregoria Rivera
1941 Plum (shed only)
Lts 5-6, Blk 9 La Union |
| 14. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Kimberly Dawn Roquemore
1105 Cherry
Lot 4, Blk 129, Brown Ext of OT |
| 15. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Linda Beth Wallace
933 Hickory
Lots 2&3, Ashby Sub. Lot 2 N16'E140' Lot 4 Blk 99,
Brown Ext of OT |
| 16. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Valentin Quintana
2134 Chestnut
HC No. 2 City; Blk 13; Lot 15 |
| 17. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Edwin Lee William Estate
419 E 9 th
83' off E/part of Lt 3, Blk 99, OT |
| 18. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Winson Smith
247 Sherman
DSM City; Blk 20, E 150 Lot 2 |
| 19. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Craig Helm
1144 Westpoint
DSM City; Blk 3 E/2 Lots 9-12 |
| 20. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Nicolasa Barber
424 E 13 th
OT City; Blk 165, W/2 Lots 4-6 |
| 21. | Remains of Residence
Location
Legal Description | Roy Judson, Jr.
205 E 5 th
All Lot 12; N/2 Lot 11; Blk 16, OT |

PLEASE NOTE:

Unless other persons having legal interest in the structure or property on which the structure is located make their identity, mailing address, and interest known to the City Code Enforcement Office at or before the Public Hearing, then such persons shall not receive notice of the Commission's order concerning the structure, if any, and furthermore, shall waive any right to any additional time to comply with my Commission order in the event an owner fails to comply.

Interested parties are encourage to attend the meeting and to voice their opinion. The recommendation of the Housing Standards Commission will then be placed on the Agenda for the City Council Meeting which is scheduled for June 14, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the City Civic Center, 157 West 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas. Property Owners have been notified in writing of this proposed meeing.

Signed
Donna Madrid
City Secretary
City of Colorado City

SOCIETY

WIRELESS HIGH-SPEED INTERNET IS NOW AVAILABLE
for area homes and businesses.

Call Now for details and specials.

1-888-769-1080 Open 7-Days
Nationwide Broadband Direct

dish
NETWORK

FREE HD FOR LIFE!
(Offer requires 24mo Agreement)

CALL NOW! 1-866-799-8039

Offer ends 05/17/11. Restrictions apply. Call for details.

Package starting at: \$24.99 MO
FOR 12 MONTHS
Local Channels Included Everywhere!
FOX CW

Visit... **FAMILYPOOLFUN.COM**

• Our pools create Generations of Memories everyday, vacations never end!
• Aboveground & Inground pools at WHOLESALE PRICING
• SIMPLE DIY Pool Kit Assembly
• SAVE MONEY on All Pool Supplies & Accessories. Ships Fast

Call Today! **800-950-2210**

All Men & Women's Skecher Shape Ups

30% OFF

WOOD'S SHOES

891 East I-20 Colorado City
800-298BOOTS
Open Mon - Sat 8:30 - 6:00
woodsboots.com



Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Mize

Couple celebrates 75th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Mize celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary Friday, April 22, 2011.

L.C. is the son of Jeff and Stella Mize. He married Clyda Britton, daughter of Olin and Vera Britton, in the bride's parents' home here in Mitchell County on April 22, 1936. The couple has resided primarily in Mitchell County.

A family gathering was hosted by their children and grandchildren to celebrate this momentous occasion.

L.C. is a retired farmer, Clyda is well known for her avid seamstress skills as well as being a wonderful cook. L.C. and Clyda are active members of 22nd & Austin Sts. Church of Christ.

L.C. and Clyda's children are Elsie (Mize) Shaw and husband, Curtis, of Colorado City; Darrell Mize and wife, Linda, of Snyder; Pearlene (Mize) Nolan and husband, Dale, of Snyder. They have eight grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Symphony to feature Beach Boys music

The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra, in conjunction with Jeans 'n Classics in Toronto, Canada, presents the music of Brian Wilson and the Beach Boys in concert April 30 in the Howard College Coliseum. Starting time is 8 p.m.

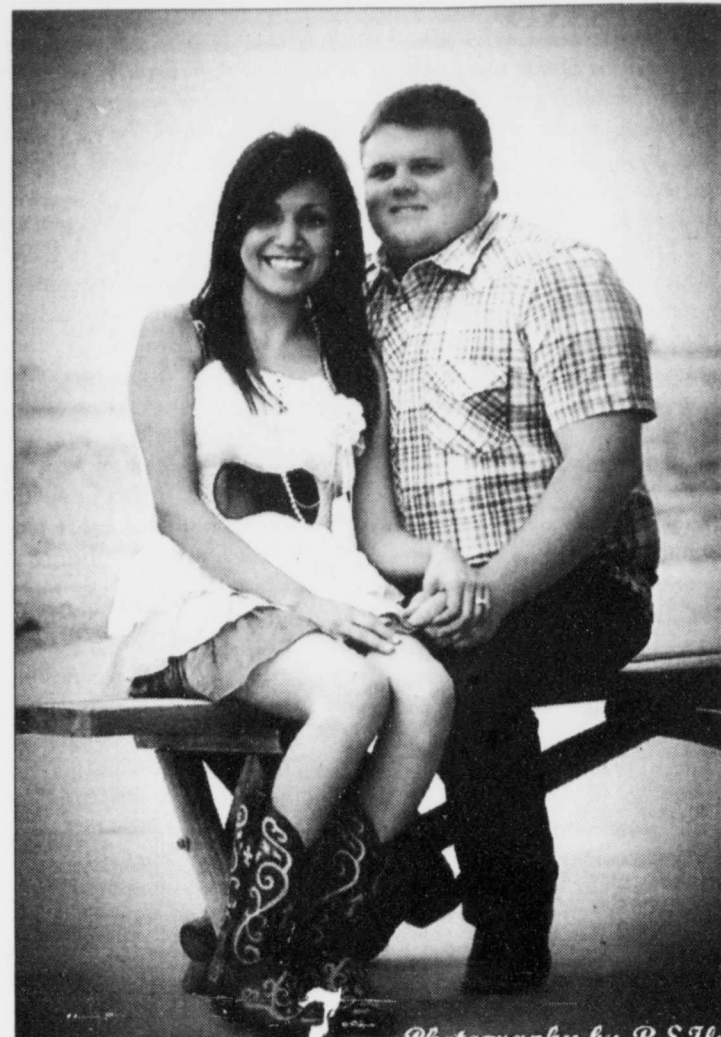
Dr. Keith Graumann, conductor says this is the perfect way to

wrap up a most productive season. "We're fortunate to have such a gifted group of musicians come to Big Spring and play the music of endless summer," he said.

The evening will begin with some favorite Beach Boys songs including "California Girls," "In My Room," "Don't Worry, Baby," and "The Warmth of the Sun." Following intermission the second part of the program will feature "Wouldn't It Be Nice," "Surfer Girl," "Good Vibrations" and others.

Members of the group include Neil Donell, Aaron Macdonald, Andrea Koziol, Kathryn Rose and Leah Solomaa on vocals, John Regan on Piano, Peter Brennan (founder of Jeans 'n Classics) on Guitar, Mitch Tyler on Electric Bss and Jeff Christmas on Drums.

Jeans 'n Classics has been a star performer in the arts and entertainment scene. Its concept of combining rock musicians and headlining stars with world-class symphony orchestras



Marisol Salazar and Ray Ryan

Engagement announced

Raylynn Ryan is pleased to announce the engagement of her parents, Marisol Salazar and Ray Ryan.

The bride is the daughter of Isabel and the late Joe Salazar. The groom is the son of David Ryan and Mary Ryan.

Ray is a 2005 graduate of Colorado High School and is employed by Lone Wolf Resources.

A 2007 graduate of Colorado High School, Marisol is employed by T&T Transports.

The couple plan to marry June 4, 2011, at Black Locust Ranch. They plan to make their home in Colorado City.

group has received rave reviews where it has performed.

Jeans 'n Classics appeals to the age group 25 to 65 with a heavy concentration in Classic Rock. It is composed of musicians who understand orchestra culture and are committed to bringing younger audiences to orchestras in the U.S. and Canada. The

Tickets are normally \$15, but the symphony has donated several tickets, which can be picked up at the Credit Union on Hickory Street for a \$10 donation.

The donations will be given to the Colorado City fire recovery fund.

Library accepting book sale donations

The citizens of Mitchell County can accomplish two things at once when they clean out their book shelves and media cabinets.

Time for spring cleaning is here, and the Mitchell County Friends of the Library are taking any unwanted books, DVDs, and CDs as donations to the upcoming book sale. The organization has a book sale planned for May. Watch the Record for more information about the sale.

All proceeds from the sale support the Mitchell County Public Library, and all donations are appreciated. For pick-up of donations, please call the library at 325-728-3968.

THANK YOU

The Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce would like to say THANK YOU to everyone that supported the 2011 Ranch Rodeo.

We appreciate the following businesses and individuals for everything they did to make the rodeo a huge success!

Brodie Harris
Purvis Ranch
Neff Ranch
Duncan Disposal
Red Rock Oilfield Services
Morrison Ranch
Fuller Foods
Concrete Mobility
Wood's Boots
Lions Club
CC Tank Rental
Colorado Feed and Seed
Bigg's Pizza & Grill
First National Bank
City National Bank
Glazer's
AutoMart
Mitchell County Utility Co.
Higginbotham's
Gas-N-Grub
KVMC-KAUM
Compass Hospice
Kiwanis
CC Quality Meats
Colorado City Record
Ty J. Wood, Attorney at Law
Oncor Electric
Bella Jane's
Producers Coop Gin
Ratliff Insurance Agency
Alexander Farms
Bennett Chiropractic Clinic
Sparks Trading Post
Colorado Floral and Gifts

TDCJ- Fitz's Crew
Pizza Hut
Mitchell Co. Commissioner's Court
Jesse Muñoz - Commissioner
Mitchell County Ambulance
Mark Merrell- Cisd
Kiker-Seale Funeral Home
Randy Erwin
Blaine Lemons
John Chaney
Refino Martinez
Andrew and Carla Sauer
Melissa Rivera
Laney Wallace
Greg Crawford
Dalton Maddox
Brooks Wallis
Alan Dockrey
M'Leah Alexander
Bethany Toombs
Bobby Lemons
Ray Ritchey
Bill and Fay Ellis
Maria Rubio
Richy Womack
Audra Hoback
Earl Plagens
Ty Wood
Diana McKenney
Mason Maddox
Tayn Messick

All the Ranch Rodeo Teams, Open Bronc Riders, and Mutton Busters!!!!

Whether it's
Prom or Mom...
we can help you with your choices.

LORAIN AND COLORADO PROM
MAY 7, 2011

WESTBROOK PROM
MAY 6, 2011

Flowers to match dress for her and him..
Corsages - Wristlets - Boutonnieres
ORDER EARLY - CUT OFFS MAYBE NECESSARY.

MOTHER'S DAY
MAY 8, 2011

Floral Arrangements - Plants
Candy - Gifts - Balloons

Colorado Floral & Gifts

341 E. 3rd Street - Colorado City - 325-728-5254

SCHOOL NEWS

FOR FIFTH SIX WEEKS

W'brook honor rolls listed

Westbrook ISD released the All A and A Average honor roll lists for the fifth six-weeks of the school year.

All A Honor Roll

1st grade: Justyn Brewster, Jo Cantu, Reagan Hale, Kylee Matos, Alexis Rincones, Bailee Salazar, Priscilla Slaughter, Sham-mah Stark, and Jaclyn Walker.

2nd grade: Sara Beights, Bailey Connell, London Hudnall, Kirsten Lastly, Kenan Morris, and Jacob Walters.

3rd grade: Mark Denison and Bryson Magee.

4th grade: Adrian Hale, Brianna Hale, Kendall Lastly, Taylor Parsons, Zoey Rees, Gabrielle Schwoerer and Taylor Wagner.

5th grade: Alejandro Chavez, Kaci Ferris and Jayce Lamb.

6th grade: Richard Armenta, Brianna Lathers, James Merrick and Sebastian Rincones.

9th grade: Jasmine Alaniz, Jacob Morris, Madison Rice and Cole Strain.

11th grade: Casey Bass, Kayla Furgerson and Klanci Whitesides.

12th grade: J.R. Jaimes and Rebecca Perez.

A Average Honor Roll

1st grade: Christopher Chaney, Xavier Dominguez, Jordan Magee, Ilario Martinez and John Martinez.

2nd grade: Heather Armenta, Zackary Falzone, Scooby Slaughter and Elishah Stark.

3rd grade: Sara Brewster, William Geiger and Jaclyn Latimer.

4th grade: Jonathan Falzone, Miranda Goswick, Erica Gutierrez and Skylar Jones.

5th grade: Alyssa Boedeker, Rosa Gutierrez, Peyton Lamb, Gabriell Ousley, Cheyenne

Reyes, Gabriel Rivera and Cutter Williams.

6th grade: Taylor Anderson, Hannah Bishop, Darian Dowd, Shea Lynn Hale, Clayton Karr, Bradyn Lamb, Katlyn Rees, Emily Whiteley and Kelcee Witte.

7th grade: Garrett Brownfield and Shannon Morris.

8th grade: Sarah Andrews, Donovan Harvey, Trevor Lamb and Austin Merrick.

9th grade: Linda Hanks, Kay-

lea Holbrook, Toby Milani and Madison Pardue.

10th grade: Koe Alvarez, Kaitlynn Andrews, Reanna Krapf, Kenzey Morris, Alexis Nobles and Kutter Stewart-Armstead.

11th grade: Anthony Aguero and J.T. Mize.

12th grade: Michael Bray, Joel Gaona, Jeremy Guevara, Emily Harkins, Stetson Jones and Aaron Vicars.



STUDENTS OF THE Week at Hutchinson Elementary are: (l-r) Roxana Roman, leisha Smith and Ashlei Burrola. Photo courtesy of Christy Myers.

Students of the week named

Students of the Week have been named at Hutchinson Elementary. They are Roxana Roman, leisha Smith and Ashlei Burrola.

Roxana, a 3rd grader in Mrs. Jones' class, is the daughter of Luis and Laura Roman. She enjoys spending time with her cats, and science is her favorite subject. Her favorite thing about

Hutchinson is shopping in the Dunn Store.

leisha, daughter of Tiffany Emerson and John Hinojosa, is a 4th grader in Mrs. Lindsey's class. Her favorite subject is math, and she enjoys playing with her dog, Bella and her cat, Pinky. When asked about her favorite thing about her school, she said, "The

school is huge and there are a lot of nice teachers."

Ashlei, a 5th grader in Mrs. White's class, is the daughter of Gloria Rivera and José Burrola. She enjoys jumping on her trampoline as a hobby, and reading is her favorite subject. She says she likes everything about Hutchinson Elementary.

ASU introduces summer program

Angelo State University is introducing the new Springboard ASU summer dual credit program designed to give high-performing high school students a head start on their college careers by taking courses that will earn them both ASU and high school credit.

The one-month program will run from June 1-July 1, and students can choose between a sciences track and a liberal arts track. Participating students will attend regular classes alongside ASU students to get a true university experience. Each student

in the program will also be assigned a mentor, who will be an ASU student who has excelled in the chosen field of study.

The application deadline is May 10.

All Springboard ASU students are also eligible for Carr Dual Credit Scholarships to offset the cost of tuition and fees. Students receiving

To be eligible for Springboard ASU, high school students must have completed their sophomore or junior year and have a passing score on the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) assessment test or proof of exemption. They must also submit application, agreement and course selection forms, a residency questionnaire, a letter of recommendation from a high school counselor and a \$30 application fee – and meet ACT or SAT score criteria. A complete list of required application materials and criteria is available by contacting the ASU Registrar's Office at (325) 942-2043 or going online to www.angelo.edu/dept/admissions/dual_credit/admission_criteria.html.

Randy Erwin
Agent

FARMERS®
Auto - Home - Life - Business
1922 N. Austin St.
Colorado City, TX 79512
Bus: 325-728-3200
Fax: 325-728-3202

BENNETT
CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC

The Industrial Accident & Personal Injury Clinic
A Diagnostic - Treatment Center

- PERSONAL INJURY
- WORKERS COMPENSATION INJURY
- AUTO ACCIDENT
- NON-SURGICAL TREATMENT FOR NECK/LOW BACK/DISC PAIN

BENNETT CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC OF COLORADO CITY
728-3411

FIRE RECOVERY FUNDRAISER FISH FRY MEAL AND BENEFIT AUCTION

Sponsored jointly by the Local Civic Clubs

SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH

RAILHEAD BUILDING IN DOWNTOWN COLORADO CITY

Meal Starts at 5 p.m. and will continue throughout evening and auction.

Auction starts at 6:30 p.m.

Meal tickets are a minimum donation of \$8.00 and can be purchased from any Lions, Rotary or Kiwanis Club member or stop by one of the local financial institution in Colorado City

Meal will include: Fish (or Brisket), Potato Salad, French Fries, Hushpuppies, Red Beans, Coleslaw, Dessert and Tea

RAFFLE ITEMS (\$1 per ticket):

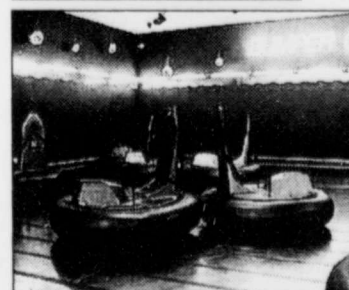
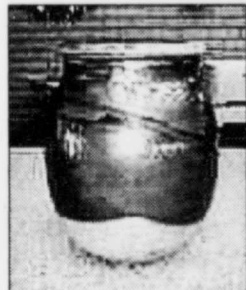
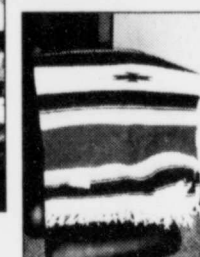
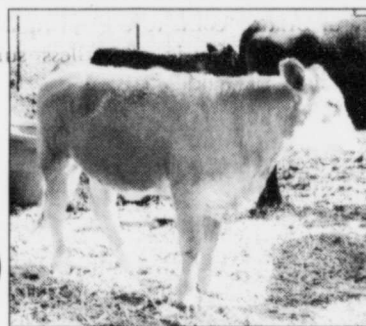
Nintendo Wii

Nano I-Pod

Wooden Outdoor Chairs

All funds raised from the raffle, auction, and meal will be deposited to the account set up at City National Bank for the unmet needs of the local fire victims. All expenses have been paid or donated.

Thank you for your support!



AUCTION ITEMS (Partial Listing Only)

Spade Ranch-
Cox's Farms-
M & R Services-

Tractor Supply-
Whitehouse Rustic Furniture-

Bealls-

Bill Worrell-

Nevada Wagner-

Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation-

Bealls-

Dandy's Western-

Blum's-

Higginbothams-

Cobridge Comm-

Primetime In Abilene-

R & R/7 Wells-

Redrock Oilfield Services-

Sharon Gillenwater-

Sweetwater Steele-

Margie Brophy-

Marge Coleman-

Dr. Michael White, Total Family Dental-

Carol Parsons-

Buddy Compton-

Vickie's Gifts-

Dan And Adele Morgan-

Sparks Trading-

Lake Colorado City State Park-

Nancy Hanks-

Decorator Center-

Credit Union-

Coach Jackson @ LISD-

Jennifer Franta, Katy Tx-

Walmart-

Quantum Resources-

Mason Jar-

Eddie Casto-

Colorado City Record -

One Buck And One Doe Guided Day Hunt & Lunch

400 Lb Heifer

3 Day Wknd Hunt On 120 Ac In North Mitchell Co

(Deer, Turkey, Or Hog)

Wagon Wheel Planter

Rocking Chair

Euphoria Men's Gift Set

Ceramic Vase

Webcam

4 Tickets To The Texas Show

Bag And Bear

Montana Silversmith Horse Statue

Diamond Ring (Values \$350)

Cordless Trimmer

Samsung 42" Tv

\$100 Fun Card

Mounted Deer Head, Coolers, Lamp, Lanterns, Fountain

20 Joints 2-3/8 Tubing

Set Of Autographed Books (Some Not In Print Anymore)

Grinder And Chop Saw

Quilted Wall Hangings

Texas Dish

Goody Basket, Xrays, Exam And Cleaning

Fountain

Pecanwood Bowl

Tyler Candle Gift Set

Kindle

Horse Blanket

2 Night Cabin Stay-Sleeps Up To 8

K-Pak Hair Care Set

Blinds, Tile, & Carpet

Digital Photo Frame

300 Lb Cross Sow(Pig)

Cowboy Hat Quilt

Binoculars, Portable Dvd, Metal Race Car Collectibles

25 Joints Of 2-3/8 Tubing

Swann Creek Candle

Pottery

Lifetime Subscription To The Record

SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL MENUS

Call-In Orders Welcome
728-9100
DELIVERIES WHEN POSSIBLE
Closed Monday & Tuesday
Open 11-2 and 5-9
The Hamburger Shoppe
12th & Hickory, Colorado City



If You Aren't at Your Last Job, Why Is Your 401(k)?

Leaving a 401(k) with a previous employer could mean leaving it alone with no one to watch over it.

At Edward Jones, we can explain options for your 401(k) and help you select the one that's best for you. If you'd like to roll it over to an Edward Jones Individual Retirement Account (IRA), we can help you do it without paying taxes or penalties. And you can feel confident that someone is looking out for you and your 401(k).

To find out why it makes sense to talk with Edward Jones about your 401(k) options, call or visit your local financial advisor today.

Russell Riggan
Financial Advisor
4202 College Ave
Snyder, TX 79549
325-573-4056

Trent M Driggers, AAMS®
Financial Advisor
1906 30th Street
Snyder, TX 79549
325-574-2951

Tim Riggan
Financial Advisor
4204 College Avenue
Snyder, TX 79549
325-573-4055

Edward Jones
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

CISD Head Start Breakfast Menu May 2-6

Monday – dry cereal, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Tuesday – Cream of Wheat, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Wednesday – French toast, powdered sugar, chilled juice, milk.
Thursday – scrambled egg, toast, chilled juice, milk.
Friday – sausage, toast, chilled juice, milk.

CISD Head Start Lunch Menu May 2-6

Monday – hotdog, green beans, apple slices, milk.
Tuesday – spaghetti, meat sauce, sweet peas, Texas toast, pears, milk.
Wednesday – tuna noodle casserole, mixed vegetables, peach cups, milk.
Thursday – beef tamale pie, veggie, dip, apple crisp, milk.
Friday – hamburger on bun, French fries, pickle spears, mixed fruit, milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem. Breakfast Menu May 2-6

Monday – dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Tuesday – cinnamon roll, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Wednesday – French toast, powdered sugar, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Thursday – Muffins for Mom at Hutch, scrambled egg, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Friday – pancake pups, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem. Lunch Menu May 2-6

Monday – pizza, glazed carrots, green beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Tuesday – grilled ham and cheese sandwich, tots, pickle spears, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Wednesday – pork and gravy, mashed potatoes, sweet peas, hot roll, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Thursday – Frito pie, Spanish rice, refried beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Friday – wolf burger, fries, lettuce cup, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Colorado Middle School Breakfast Menu May 2-6

Monday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Tuesday – dry cereal, biscuit, pancake on a stick, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Wednesday – dry cereal, biscuit, scrambled egg, biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Thursday – dry cereal, biscuit, cinnamon roll, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Friday – dry cereal, biscuit, cheese toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Colorado High School Breakfast Menu May 2-6

Monday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Tuesday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, waffles, syrup, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Wednesday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, Hot Pocket, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Thursday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, cinnamon roll, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.
Friday – dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, scrambled egg, biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

CMS & CHS Lunch Menu May 2-6

Monday – pizza, fries, veggies, dip, apple cobbler, choice of milk.
Tuesday – Texican mac and cheese, sweet peas, Texas toast, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Wednesday – sweet n sour pork on rice, glazed carrots, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Thursday – chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, refried beans, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.
Friday – wolf burger, fries, lettuce cup, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Loraine ISD Breakfast Menu May 2-6

Monday – pancake on stick, cereal, juice, milk.
Tuesday – cheese toast, cereal, orange, milk.
Wednesday – breakfast burrito, cereal, pears, milk.
Thursday – sausage, biscuit, jelly, cereal, juice, milk.
Friday – muffins, cereal, apple, milk.

Loraine ISD Lunch Menu

Local people,
Local news,
Local newspaper.
Get what's happening locally from the
Colorado City Record
Call 728-3413 to subscribe.

May 2-6

Monday – nacho grande, corn on the cob, salad, sparkly apple, ranch, butter, milk.
Tuesday – turkey, ham and cheese sub sandwich, salad, pickle spears, diced peaches, baked chips, ranch, mustard, milk.
Wednesday – steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, jello with fruit, ketchup, biscuit, milk.
Thursday – barbeque bun, tater tots, pinto beans, orange, pickles, ketchup, pudding, milk.
Friday – pizza, corn, broccoli florets, baby carrots, rosie applesauce, cookies, milk.

Westbrook ISD Breakfast Menu May 2-6

Monday – breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit juice, milk.
Tuesday – twin sausage & gravy,

cereal, fruit juice, milk.
Wednesday – scrambled eggs, toast & jelly, fruit juice, milk.
Thursday – Hot Pockets, cereal, fruit juice, milk.
Friday – no school.

Westbrook ISD Lunch Menu May 2-6

Monday – hamburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, tater tots, baby carrots, ranch, chocolate pudding cup, milk.
Tuesday – golden fish strips, macaroni & cheese, tossed salad, apple & orange smiles, garlic breadsticks, milk.
Wednesday – Frito pie, pinto beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, cornbread, milk.
Thursday – chicken & noodles, green beans, fruited gelatin, Texas toast, sherbet cup, milk.
Friday – no school.



RACHEL BECKMEYER, center, was honored recently at the Texas Home School Coalition annual gala. Attending the event with her were her parents John and Teresa Beckmeyer. Photo courtesy of Teresa Beckmeyer.

Beckmeyer recognized by state coalition group

Rachel Beckmeyer, daughter of John and Teresa Beckmeyer, was one of four Texas students recognized by the Texas Home School Coalition at their annual gala in Austin on April 15th.

The Texas Home School Coalition, an organization that fights tirelessly for parental rights for all parents in Texas, annually recognizes outstanding student achievement in the campaign process, the political party process, the legislative process and voter registration.

Rachel was the recipient of both the Lone Star Award and the Republic Award for her work with political parties and legislative processes. Rachel attended multi-city meetings where she assisted political party leaders and those running for elected positions, she attended the KERA gubernatorial debates, and various political rallies.

Rachel also assisted the local Republican chair with precinct and county conventions and she served as a page at the 2010 State Republican Convention. She attended the Texas 4-H Congress, where she served as a senator and had hands-on experience with the legislative process.

RE-ELECT MAYOR
CAROL SUE DAKAN

Two years ago, Carol Sue Dakan wrote she wanted to:

- Aggressively find ways to pay off city debt. ~ (Short term done.)
- Allow council members to question bills and payments in open meeting.
- Work to control growth of property taxes ~ (Did not raise.)
- Responsible spender of taxpayers' dollars.
- Have a more active Housing Standard Board. Demolish old houses that pose a danger or haven for skunks and other animals. ~ (Working to clean town.)
- Encourage TxDOT to build curbs and sidewalks from the interstate down Hickory. ~ (Started, not finished, state funded.)
- Include more citizen input in major projects. Establish citizen committees to critique plans. ~ (Some, but not enough.)
- Be honest with the citizens of Colorado City.

Projects completed during the past two years:

- New hotel and future business on interstate
- Demolish many old buildings
- Web page - so citizens can access city ordinances and codes
- Recycle drop off station
- Cleaner cemetery
- Improvements at Ruddick Park approved by council
- Contacted individuals and organizations to develop projects on vacant lots



"It is truly an honor for me to serve as your Mayor. I will always stand up for what is right and put the needs of the citizens first. I represent the citizens."

Pol. Adv. Paid for by Carol Sue Dakan, Shirley DeLaney, Treasurer.

CUSTOMER NOTICE

On April 1, 2011 Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos Energy" or "the Company"), filed a Rate Review Mechanism ("RRM") filing to increase its gas rates and implement a new schedule of rates and riders. This filing is applicable to all customers within all incorporated cities served by the Mid-Tex Division, with the exception of the City of Dallas. The proposed effective date of the requested rate changes is August 15, 2011. If approved, the proposed changes will affect approximately 1,196,253 residential, 98,792 commercial, and 731 industrial and transportation customers.

If approved, the proposed rates will increase the Company's annual revenues for the affected incorporated areas of its Mid-Tex Division by \$13,151,685, or 1.25% percent, including gas costs, or 3.15% percent, excluding gas cost. The proposed change in rates constitutes a "major change" as that term is defined by Section 104.101 of the Texas Utilities Code.

Based on the proposed rate design, the typical monthly bill for each customer class within the affected incorporated areas of the Mid-Tex Division will increase by the amount and percentage shown in the table below:

Customer Class	Current Bill	Proposed Bill**	Difference	Percentage Increase with Gas Cost	Percentage Increase without Gas Cost
Residential	\$60.37*	\$60.93*	\$0.56	0.93%	2.36%
Commercial	\$228.12*	\$230.20*	\$2.08	0.91%	4.21%
Industrial	\$2,299.71*	\$2,312.13*	\$12.42	0.54%	2.19%
Transportation	\$669.30	\$681.72	\$12.42	1.86%	2.19%

Note: Bill impact ranges are subject to varying tax rates among the cities.
* Includes Rider GCR Part A cost of \$4.9784 per Mcf.
**The calculation of bill impacts assumes monthly consumption of 6 Mcf for residential, 30 Mcf for commercial and 300 MMBtu for industrial and transportation customers.

In addition to the rate revisions in Rate Schedules R, C, I, and T, the other proposed tariff change is an update to the factors included in Rider WNA.

Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-888-286-6700. Complete copies of the filed Rate Review Mechanism, including all proposed rates and schedule changes, are available for inspection at Atmos Energy's offices located at 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1600, Dallas, Texas 75240 or on our Web site at www.atmosenergy.com/mtx-rrm. In addition, customers can contact their respective municipality for additional information regarding this rate request.

Este es un aviso a los clientes de Mid-Tex Division de Atmos Energy Corporation (la Compañía) que la Compañía está solicitando un cambio en las tarifas del gas. Este cambio afecta a todos los clientes en las áreas incorporadas y servidas por Mid-Tex Division excepto la Ciudad de Dallas. Si usted tiene preguntas con respecto a este aumento, por favor llame a Atmos Energy Corporation al 1-888-286-6700.

CONGRATULATIONS

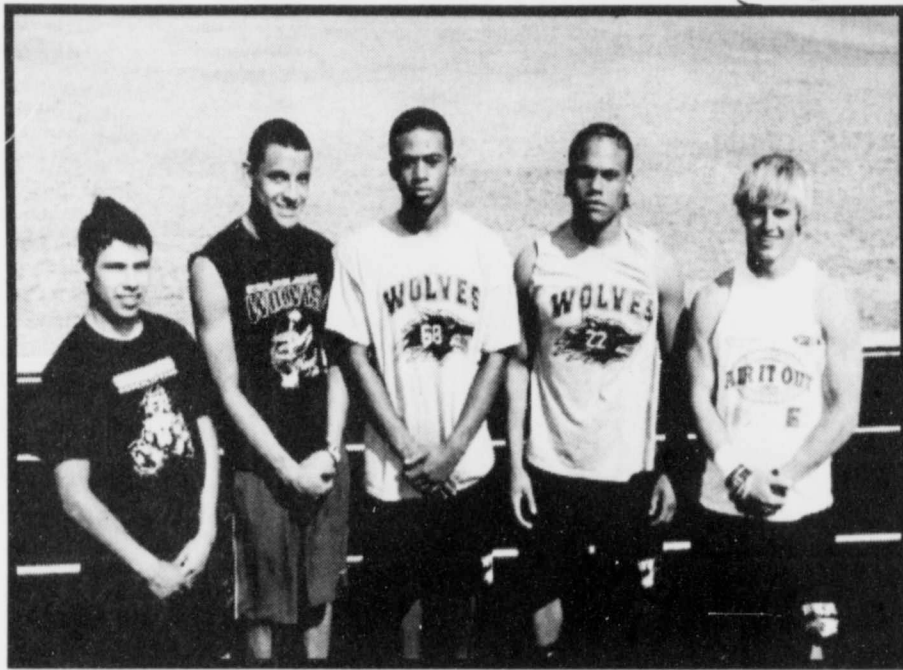
WOLVES

SOFTBALL

& TRACK



THE 2011 LADY WOLVES softball team retained their perfect 12-0 district record with a win over Post Friday, April 22. Team members are: (kneeling) Shylowe Honeycutt and Whitney Ortiz; (front row) Katy Spencer, Miranda Reyna, Ava Macedo, Jaci Wulfen, Emily Hicks, Amanda Arispe, Olivia Ornelas, Lexi Espinoza, Sydney Upshaw, Marissa Molina, Hope Sanchez, Coach Erin White; (back row) Heather Merket, Shelby Cogburn, Coach Reggie Gardner, Huntyr Messick, Ann Marie Morrison, Shanna Baugh and Reagan Costabile. Photo courtesy of Charlotte Upshaw.



THESE CHS TRACK athletes have qualified to compete at the Regional Track Meet in Odessa May 2, 3. Pictured are: (l-r) Jacob Rizo, Nathan Jackson, Mark Henderson and Derek Gainey, all qualifiers in the mile relay. Michael Hernandez (second from left) qualified in the high jump and 800 meters.



THESE CHS TRACK athletes have qualified to compete at the Regional Track Meet in Odessa May 2, 3. Pictured are: (l-r) Micah Minkina, relay alternate; Michelle Billingsley, high jump; Luran Meeks, 800 relay and 100 dash; Valerie Vera, 800 meters; Thea Guazo, relay alternate; and Emma Leanos, 800 relay and 400 dash.

We are proud of you!



The
City National Bank
of Colorado City
228 Elm Colorado City 728-5221 Member FDIC



125 East I-20
Colorado City
728-3951

WOOD'S BOOTS & SHOES

East Interstate 20
Colorado City 728-3722

Fuller Foods Thriftway

405 Hickory Colorado City



Dairy Queen
Hwy. 208 & I-20
728-2626

Myers Auto Parts

745 E. 2nd Colorado City 728-2662



WESTERN BANK
Caring & Serving & Responding

LORAIN BRANCH
737-2211
MEMBER FDIC

Producer's Coop Gin

365 West 2nd St. Colorado City 728-2679

Texas Caps & T-Shirts

259 E. 2nd Colorado City 728-8367

Kiker - Seale Funeral Home

338 Locust * Colorado City
728-2622

MATLOCK

East Interstate 20 Colorado City 728-3430



HIGGINBOTHAM-BARTLETT
ACE HARDWARE

228 West 2nd Colorado City 728-2648

McAndrews Eye Clinic

2145 Hickory 728-2604 Colorado City

SUBWAY

150 East I-20 728-8828
Open 10 a.m. - midnight 7 days a week

First National Bank

"We want to be your bank"

Member FDIC 2225 Hickory Colorado City 728-3485

TOM LOVELL

247 Walnut
728-3401
Colorado City

FSI

FIRST SERVICE
INSURANCE

Gas 'n' Grub

Intersection of Bus. 20 & Hwy. 208 728-3622 Colorado City

Perkin's

Apothecary & Mercantile
501 Walnut Colorado City 728-3484

B & B ONE STOP

548 North I-20 Colorado City 728-2125

Kristi Lee Manor

1941 Chestnut * Colorado City
728-5247

City Discount Drug

Inside Fuller Foods * Colorado City * 728-8030

SCHOOL NEWS

Stop being a bystander and take a stand against bullying

A culture of silence often surrounds bullying. Many children who are bullied never tell anyone. Most bullying is not reported because children don't recognize it as bullying, are embarrassed, don't want to appear weak, believe they deserve it, want to belong, fear retaliation, don't know how to talk about it, don't have a trusted adult to con-

fide in, think adults won't understand, or think nothing can be done about it.

Just because you don't see it, and children don't talk about it, doesn't mean bullying isn't happening. Even when children fail to report bullying, they often show warning signs: torn clothing, destroyed belongings, bruises/cuts, few friends, fear of at-

tending school, anxious/nervous, and loss of appetite are just a few of the behaviors that children exhibit when they're being bullied.

If you suspect that your child is a victim of bullying, you should **intervene immediately.** When you do nothing, you send the message that bullying is acceptable. If you ignore or minimize the problem, victims will not

believe that adults understand or care, or that they can help. If you don't intervene, children won't either. The best way to intervene is by talking with your child and talking with the school staff. When the school staff is aware of a bullying situation, they can then implement these techniques:

They can intervene even if

they're not sure it's bullying. Observing children's actions, words, body language, and facial expressions will help teachers to determine if bullying is occurring. Even if it's not, aggressive behaviors will be stopped.

School staff can stand between or near the victim and the bully, separating them if necessary, so as to stop the bullying behaviors. For young children, removing them from the situation to a "time-out" area or room is the best deterrent. For older children, placement in an in-school suspension is often necessary.

Teachers must respond firmly but appropriately. Remain calm, but convey the seriousness of the situation. Announce that the bullying must stop. Describe the behavior you observed and why it is unacceptable.

Get help if needed. If the bully is using physical force, or there is more than one bully, you may need to find another adult to help keep children safe and protect yourself.

Do not respond aggressively. Using aggressive behavior sends the wrong message that this is a good way to solve problems. It may also prompt a bully or a bystander to increase his or her bullying behavior or become aggressive toward you.

Avoid lecturing the bully in front of his or her peers. Your goal is to end the behavior, not

humiliate or shame the bully. Rather than serving as a deterrent, lecturing and scolding often provide the bully with attention that he or she finds rewarding.

Don't impose immediate consequences. Allow yourself time to consider the incident and obtain any clarifying information—then decide the best course of action.

Don't ask children to "work things out" for themselves. Bullying is different from an argument or conflict; it involves a power imbalance that requires adult intervention.

Give praise and show appreciation to helpful bystanders. Children who try to help the victim or stop the bully are the keys to bullying prevention.

Stick around. Remain in the area until you are sure the behavior has stopped.

What if the bullying happens when school staff is not present? In these instances, it becomes most crucial that we teach our students the same techniques that teachers and staff would use if they were witnessing a bullying incident: stand near the victim, don't become aggressive with the bully (or bullies), use firm voices to stop the bullying, and get help if the situation becomes violent.

In next week's issue, bullying prevention will be addressed. For more information on bullying, visit <http://www.eyesonbullying.org/intervention.html>



THE MINI LEVEL 1 CheerStars competed this past weekend in the all-level championship and won first place! The girls are coached by Neika Porter, Kay Porter and KK Vinson. Pictured left to right are: Evyn Alvarez (CCity), Caitlin Terry (Snyder), Azariah Sosa (Snyder), Lily Bezdicsek (Snyder), Tyleigh Price (Snyder), Brenlye Strain (CCity), Caira Galvan (Snyder), and Reagan Hale (Westbrook). Photo Courtesy of Cindy B. Photography.

OPEN LETTER TO THE CITIZENS OF COLORADO CITY:

"Pay as you go" sounds like a good motto to live by, but the reality is that most of us would never have owned a car or a home if we had not been able to borrow money. The same holds true for the city.

The City of Colorado City is presently paying off 20, 30 and 40 year bonds that we borrowed so that we could obtain the Wallace and Ware Units of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. At that time, the City borrowed the maximum amount for the maximum number of years in order to qualify for the two units. What a great investment that has been!

The City is in good financial shape. We have paid off approximately \$250,000 in short term debt this past year. We are again facing a need for more borrowing. Several TCEQ mandates are in front of us. They include:

- Two water towers to be replaced to a tune of \$1.5 million
- Waster water retention pond maintenance. \$250,000 for monitoring or leakage repair.
- \$275,000 for short term water development, including at least 2 new wells.
- Our city roads and drainage (storm water) have not been updated in 7 years. That will cost into the millions of dollars.
- The landfill is still out of compliance with exposed boulders, and needs expansion.
- Our park pools are not ADA compliant.

To place the emphasis on reducing the debt rather than investing in the necessary improvements we must have for our city to grow and prosper is short-sighted and self-destructive.

I encourage you to think about the long term future of Colorado City before you mark your ballot for mayor. We need to consider that some debt is good. Like the farmer's attitude toward natural fertilizer. Using it may be an unpleasant experience, but it sure can do a lot for productivity.

Signed,
A concerned citizen for progress
Bob Reily
Please join me in voting
for Bobbie Banks

Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Bob Reily, Colorado City, TX.

Special Ed records to be destroyed

The West Central Texas Shared Service Arrangement (SSA) is giving notice to the public that Special Education records of students with disabilities, who

graduated or were dismissed from Special Education in the year 2003 will be destroyed as of May 1, 2010. This notice includes the records of students

with disabilities who attended the following school districts:

Blackwell CISD, Colorado ISD, Hermleigh ISD, Highland ISD, Ira ISD, Loraine ISD, Roscoe ISD, Sweetwater ISD and Westbrook ISD.

An adult student or parent who would like to claim his or her 2003 special education records prior to being destroyed must notify the WCTSSA office in writing by April 29, 2011.

Request for records of the year 2003 may be addressed to: Scarlett Whitteker, WCTSSA, 207 Musgrove, Sweetwater, TX 79556.

Please include the child's name, date of birth, your address and phone number. Additional information may be obtained by calling the SSA office at 325-235-8621.

After May 1, 2011 if the SSA has not been contacted by you, the 2003 records will be destroyed under their guidelines.

There are 2 new Texas laws to help victims of sexual assault:

1 You can get a sexual assault exam without involving the police.

2 You can break your rental lease if the assault occurred there.

For more information please visit:

HopeLaws.org
800.656.HOPE

TAASA
Texas Association Against Sexual Assault



HAPPY HOUR

1/2 Price Drinks & Slushes

Monday - Friday, 2-4 p.m.

MORNING DRINK STOP

Mon - Fri 6 a.m. - 9 a.m.

Route 44 Drinks Only \$1.29



#1 BURGER COMBO Med. \$4.99 Burger Only \$2.69	#2 BURGER COMBO Med. \$6.59 Burger Only \$4.29	#3 FOOT LONG 1/4 LB. CONEY Med. \$5.69 Coney Only \$3.39	#4 PREMIUM BEEF HOT DOG COMBO Med. \$4.79 Hot Dog Only \$2.29	#5 - 2 BEEF HOT DOGS COMBO Med. \$6.69 2 Hot Dogs Only \$4.58
#6 CHICKEN SANDWICH Med. \$6.19 Sandwich Only \$3.89	#7 JUMBO POPCORN CHICKEN Med. \$6.39 Chicken Only \$4.09	#8 CHICKEN WRAP COMBO Med. \$5.89 Wrap Only \$3.59	#9 COUNTRY FRIED STEAK TOASTER Med. \$6.29 Toaster Only \$3.99	#10 BROWN BAG SPECIAL Med. \$9.59 Large Combo \$10.79
#11 BREAKFAST BURRITO Med. \$4.59 Burrito Only \$2.29	#12 SUPER SONIC BREAKFAST BURRITO Med. \$5.29 Burrito Only \$2.99	#13 BREAKFAST TOASTER Med. \$4.99 Sandwich Only \$2.69	#14 CROIS-SONIC BREAKFAST SANDWICH Med. \$5.29 Sandwich Only \$2.99	#15 FRENCH TOAST STICKS Med. \$4.59 Sticks Only \$2.29

BANANA SLICES \$1.00 APPLE SLICES \$1.39

SONIC
America's Drive-In.

Step 1 Push Button, Place Order.
Step 2 Insert Your Card, Select Credit or Debit.
Step 3 Sit Back and Relax, Your Order Will be Delivered Shortly.

THE LADY V
Members incl
Coach Jerold
ists in district

THE WOLVI
ment in Midl
ney, Matt Ne

201
Ma
12
\$2

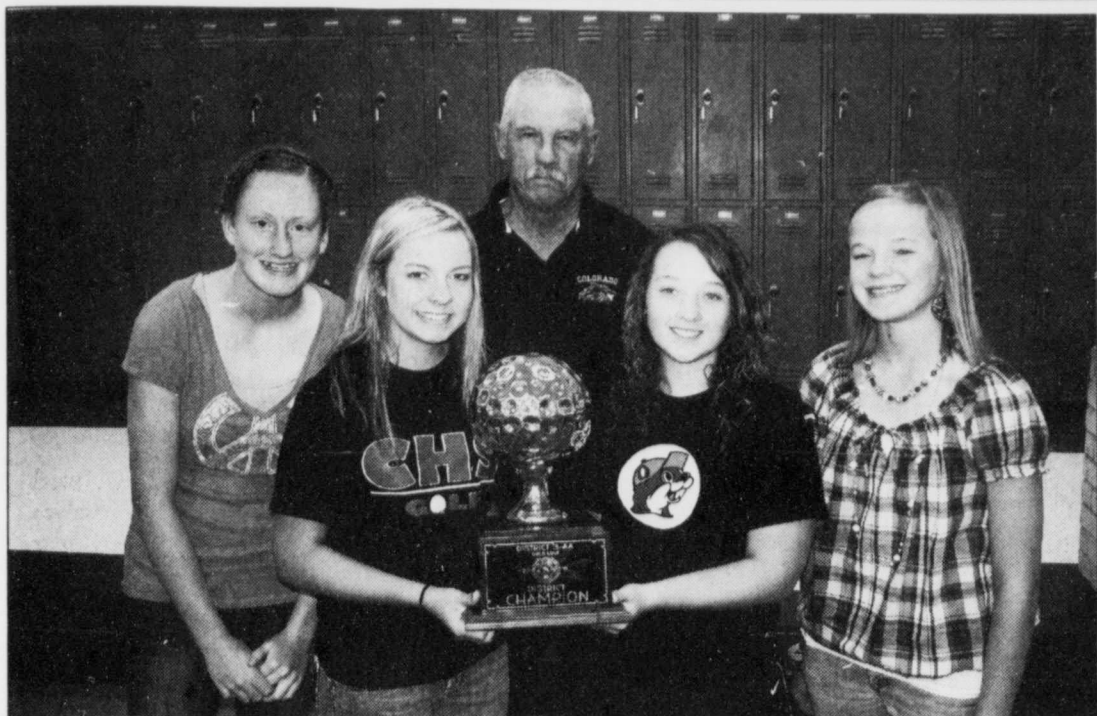
200
In
\$1

201
Ca
25
\$1

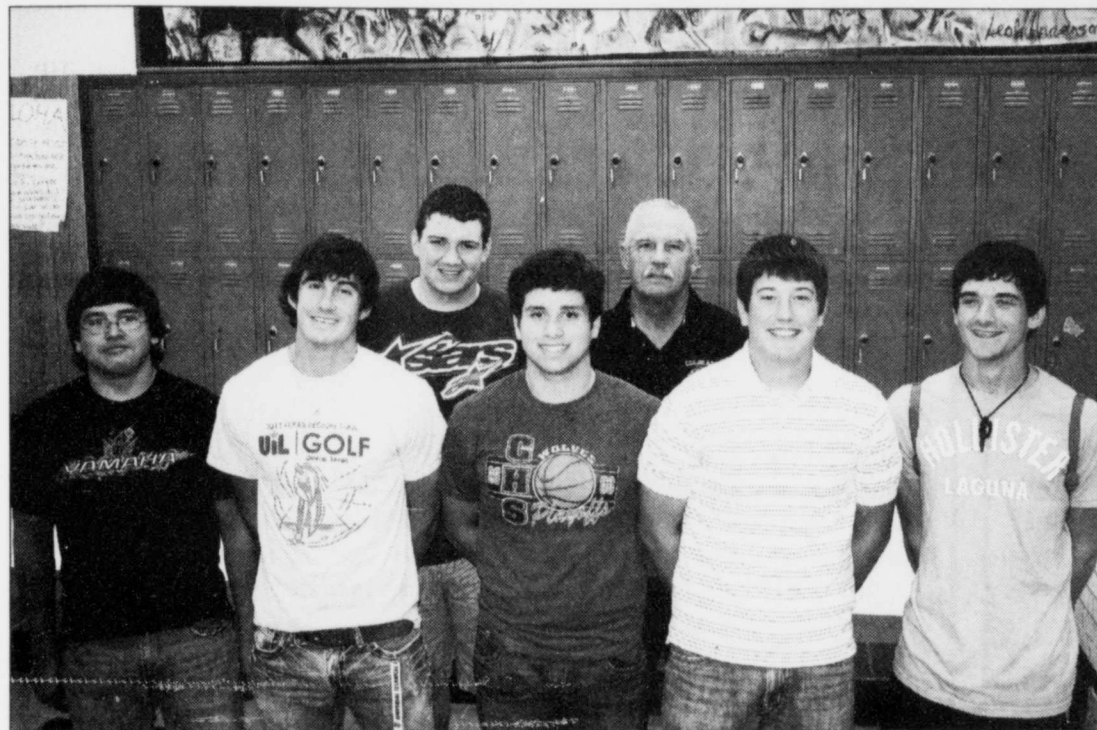
20
Lu
wa
NOW

B
A

SPORTS



THE LADY WOLVES district champion golf team completed their season at regional last week. Members include (left to right) MacKenzie Kimball, Taylor Harris, Kalea Hubbard and Taylor Griffith. Coach Jerold Epperson coached the girls this year. Harris and Hubbard placed 2nd and 3rd medalists in district.



THE WOLVES district champion golf team ended their season last week at the Regional Golf Tournament in Midland. Team members include (left to right): Arden Alvarez, Tyler Hammond, Will McKinney, Matt Neff and Bailey Spencer. Back row (left to right): Kody Wood and Coach Jerold Epperson.



WOLVES SENIOR BLAZE ALFORD made the All Big Country basketball Class 2A second team recently. Alford lead the team in rebounds and scoring this past season.

Lady Wolves playoff bound

The Lady Wolves district champion softball team enters the playoffs with a 12-game winning streak.

A couple of practice games losses don't count toward the official record of the Lady Wolves, even though they dropped two games last weekend.

A loss last Saturday to Snyder 5-4, and a loss to Lubbock Cooper Monday night 14-7 are only tune-up games in preparation for the playoffs.

The Lady Wolves catch the winner of the River Road vs. Abernathy game Tuesday night at a time and site to be announced. Friday, May 6, is the projected date the game is to be played.

Lady Wolves end regular season

The Colorado City Lady Wolves softball team ended their district competition last Friday in Post with a 12-10 victory. It wasn't one of the Lady Wolves' best performances, with the team committing 11 errors. Another good offensive effort aided in the victory.

Miranda Reyna and Amanda Arispe led the way for the Lady Wolves' offense, collecting 3 hits apiece, 2 singles and a triple.

Reyna continues to lead the team in hitting with a .586 batting average.

Lexi Espinoza and Jaci Wulfjen also went 2 for 4 and Shelby Cogburn blasted her 6th home-run of the year.

Espinoza also pitched the first 5 innings, and Jaci Wulfjen pitched the 6th. Senior Emily Hicks closed out the Antelopes.

The Lady Wolves were perfect in district play, winning an im-

pressive 12-game schedule without a defeat (12-0). The season record is also a very impressive 29-4-1 and is the best record a Lady Wolves' softball team has ever posted.

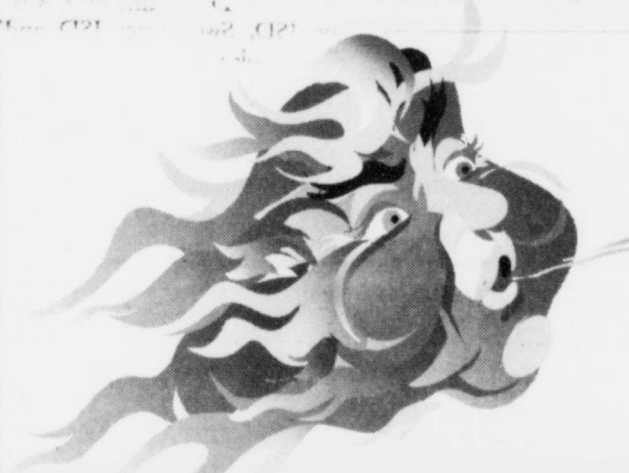


DIRECTV
Direct Sat TV
1-800-360-1395
Local installers!

285+ Channels
160+ HD Channels
Packages Start At
\$29.99
Mo.

2 FREE Upgrades - HD DVR & HD Receiver - Ask How!

HBO SHOWTIME starz cinemax
For 3 Months



Strong Texas Winds Blowing In Outrageous Price Reductions at Big Country Autoland

Your #1 Volume Dealer in West Texas For Over 20 Years

CERTIFIED RATES AS LOW AS 1.9%

2011 Chevy Malibu LT 12K miles \$22,800		2011 Chevy Impala LT was \$23,995 NOW \$22,800		2008 Chevy Trailblazer LT \$19,995	
2008 Chevy Impala LT \$14,800		2008 GMC Acadia SLE was \$21,995 NOW \$20,800		2001 GMC Sonoma ExCab\$6,995	
2010 Chevy Cobalt LT 25K MILES \$17,900		2008 GMC 1500 Crew was \$18,995 NOW \$17,800		2002 Buick Park Ave\$8,995	
2007 Buick Lucerne CX was \$18,995 NOW \$17,200		2008 Pontiac G-6 30K miles \$17,900		2005 Chevy Tahoe LT \$12,995	
				2010 Chrysler Sebring \$17,995	
				2007 Chevy Tahoe Z71 \$23,500	
				2007 Cadillac DTS..... \$23,500	
				2008 Ford Expedition EL..... \$23,600	

**IF WE DON'T HAVE IT
WE CAN GET IT!!!**

We Couldn't Have Been Here This Long If We Were  Steering You Wreng!



4004 Spur 84, Snyder, TX
1-800-573-5459 325-573-5456

THE RECORD CLASSIFIEDS



GLADLY ACCEPTED

Call 728-3413 to place your ad.

CARDS OF THANKS

Card of Thanks

The family of William Dalton Conaway, Jr. wishes to express our heartfelt thanks to the EMS team for their help in the recent death of William, beloved Husband, Dad and Grandfather.

Margaret Ann Conaway
Jeff Conaway & family
Greg Conaway & family

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank all those who donated items, money and time to help our family after the loss of our home and trailer in the February 27th fire.

Special thanks to First National Bank, Amie Wood & Community Development, Bruce at Higginbotham's, Casey Casares, the County Commissioners and the City of Colorado City.

We are thankful to live in a community that helps one another in times like these.

The Franco Family

Card of Thanks

The family of Joan Mann Watlington would like to thank all of you who called, sent flowers and brought food in our time of need and sorrow. A special thanks to the Mitchell Co. Sheriff's Deputies, Jimmy Browne and Jeremiah Witte - you went above and beyond, the EMTs and hospital staff at Mitchell Co. Hospital - all those hugs meant so much. Thank you to the ladies of the Church of Christ - the food was delicious, Royce Clay Sr. and Kerry Cain - the service was beautiful. Last but not least, thank you Bill Barlow and the staff at Kiker-Seale - your services were such a comfort.

Raymond Watlington
Charles Ray & Ethel and family
Larry Don and Carolyn and family

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the registered voters of the City of Colorado City, Texas:

(a los votantes del Ciudad de Colorado City, Texas):
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 14th, 2011, for voting in a general election to elect a Mayor and three (3) Council Members. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 14th de Mayo de 2011 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir tres (3) Miembros del Concilio y el Alcalde.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

The polling place for each District will be the Mitchell County Courthouse, 349 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas. (Los lugares donde se vota para cada Distrito van a ser en la Corte del Condad de Mitchell, 349 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas.)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at

(La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

City Hall, 180 West 3rd Street, Colorado City, Texas. Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el May 2nd, 2011 (2 de mayo, 2011)

And ending on (y terminando el) May 10, 2011 (10 de mayo, 2011).

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en aismcoa por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Donna Madrid, City Secretary
180 West 3rd St., P.O. Box 912
Colorado City, Texas 79512.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el)

May 6, 2011 (6 de mayo, 2011).

Issued this the 24th day of January, 2011
(Emitada este dia 24th de enero, 2011)

Carol Sue Dakan, Mayor

C-CITY AUCTION

East 80 Self Storage

P.O. Box 592, Colorado City, TX 79512

East 80 Self Storage has contractual self-service storage facility lien on the items stored in Unit #1 belonging to Ronnie Owens. These items are being sold pursuant to the assertion of the lien on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 10 a.m. in order to collect the amount due. You may inquire about sale at 325-728-8292. Items may be sold by lot or item for cash money at 1236 Westpoint Ave. Items include: Coleman camp stove, Workmate tow bar,

BID NOTICES

NOTICE FOR COMMERCIAL INSURANCE RFP #12-1061

The Colorado ISD is accepting (RFP) Request for Proposals - Commercial Insurance:

All property and casualty insurance lines of coverage (excluding workers compensation)

Request for Proposals (RFP) will be received no later than 12:00 p.m. on June 10, 2011, in the Colorado ISD Business Office located at 1132 Hickory Street, Colorado City, Texas 79512, and publicly read aloud at the regular board meeting on June 20, 2011. Bid specifications can be obtained by calling 325-728-5312. The Colorado ISD reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid most advantageous to the district.

Shelia Redwine
Business Manager

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

HELP WANTED

Ingram Concrete is seeking full-time employees to fill several Mixer Driver positions. Please apply at 721 West I-20 in Colorado City, TX 79512 or call 325-728-2197 for additional information. We are also hiring mixer drivers at our plant in Big Spring, Texas. EEO Employer.

HELP WANTED

Mitchell County has a temporary part-time position available at the Public Library. Applications will be accepted at the Library until 5 p.m. May 6, 2011. Successful applicants need basic computer knowledge, communication skills and are able to alphabetize and follow the Dewey Decimal System. Applications may be picked up at the Mitchell County Public Library, 340 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas. Mitchell County is an equal opportunity employer.

HELP WANTED

GIRLING HEALTH CARE

Personal Care Attendants

Seeking caring and dependable people to work in the home of elderly and disabled clients. Will assist with preparing meals, shopping, personal care, errands, light housekeeping, and other assigned duties. We offer flexible day, evening and weekend shifts. Must be at least 18 yrs of age with a clean criminal background. MUST have reliable transportation. No certification or prior experience required.

Fax Resume referencing Ad #10647 to
(325)646-2278

For an application, Call 1-800-665-4471

Apply online at www.girling.com

EOE/MFDV



Openings in Snyder & Colorado City for Full & Part Time food service experienced team members. Background checks & drug screens will be administered. We pay above minimum wage & offer a pay raise upon ServSafe Certification. Apply online at www.richesondq.com

CNAS

Immediate openings for State Certified individuals. Competitive rates & benefits available for full time employees. EOE / MFDV. For more information, call our DON at (325) 573-6332, or apply in person at

SNYDER HEALTHCARE CENTER

5311 BIG SPRING HWY
SNYDER, TEXAS
EOE/MFDV

COME JOIN OUR GROWING TEAM! We need 2 full-time RNs!

Full-time, flexible schedule, excellent benefits, above average pay, Spanish speaking a plus! Benefits available: Vacation, health insurance, life, dental 401k. Busy, growing health care company has an immediate opening for 2 RNs. We are seeking patient oriented and team member employees with excellent communication skills. Must be self-motivated and able to work independently as well as part of a team. Must be very detail oriented and analytical. Reliable car a requirement. Please send resumes to: Resume, P.O. Box 92, Colorado City, TX 79512.

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED

INTEGRACARE HOME HEALTH OF COLORADO CITY IS NOW ACCEPTING RESUMES FOR THE POSITION OF ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Primary Job Function: Responsible for successfully marketing IntegraCare home health services in a defined geographic territory, and developing and implementing a comprehensive external and internal sales and marketing plan. Work closely with clinical team to facilitate community education regarding hospice services to physicians, hospitals, long-term care facilities, allied health care professionals and the community at large. Must have previous outside sales/marketing experience, preferably in a healthcare setting.

We offer:

- Excellent Compensation Plan
- Paid-Time-Off: 18 PTO DAYS ANNUALLY TO START
- 7 PAID COMPANY HOLIDAYS
- Comprehensive Healthcare Benefits Package
- 401 (K) Plan with generous company match
- Gas Mileage Reimbursement
- + much more!
- To learn more about this position and our successful & growing company, please check out our web-site at www.integracarehh.com

To apply, please e-mail your resume to the attention of Angela Carter, HR Director, at acarter@integracarehh.com

INTEGRACARE HOSPICE OF SNYDER IS NOW ACCEPTING RESUMES FOR THE POSITION OF ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Primary Job Function: Responsible for successfully marketing IntegraCare hospice services in a defined geographic territory, and developing and implementing a comprehensive external and internal sales and marketing plan. Work closely with clinical team to facilitate community education regarding hospice services to physicians, hospitals, long-term care facilities, allied health care professionals and the community at large. Must have previous outside sales/marketing experience, preferably in a healthcare setting.

We offer:

- Excellent Compensation Plan
- Paid-Time-Off: 18 PTO DAYS ANNUALLY TO START
- 7 PAID COMPANY HOLIDAYS
- Comprehensive Healthcare Benefits Package
- 401 (K) Plan with generous company match
- Gas Mileage Reimbursement
- + much more!
- To learn more about this position and our successful & growing company, please check out our web-site at www.integracarehh.com

To apply, please e-mail your resume to the attention of Wendy Smith, Hospice Sales Director, at wsmith@integracarehh.com

MUSEUM DIRECTOR

The City of Colorado City is accepting applications for the part time position of **Museum Director**. Duties include overseeing the daily operations of the museum as well as general maintenance and upkeep of the museum building. Applicant must enjoy working with people and be able to effectively communicate and promote our local history. Applications may be picked up at City Hall, 180 W. 3rd Street, Colorado City, Texas. Position is open until filled. The City of Colorado City is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

FOR SALE



BUY - HOST - JOIN

Donna Owens

325-728-2610

or

325-242-4574

Call me for a free catalog or view and order online:

donnaowens.scentys.us

BUY - HOST - JOIN

Artistic Memorials ...for your loved one. Our company stands behind our product. No high pressure selling. See display at 505 E. 2nd. For more information call 728-3468, 325-242-1158 Joy Dockrey.

Black futon for sale. Makes bunk beds, good condition. \$75. 325-370-3667

Fresh farm eggs, baby chicks, for sale. 728-8327

Metal Detectors by Whites Electronics. New and used. 728-2494

FOR SALE

Buy good, used furniture. 1 piece or a houseful - estates. Sparks Trading Post, 116 E. 2nd, 325-242-1752

Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Hot Wheels and coin collections for sale. Serious collectors only. All collections sell for \$1500. 325-728-9073

JOBS WANTED

No time to iron? Call me!

325-737-2163 or 325-933-0112

Weed-Free Lawn Spraying Service, 25 years experience. 325-728-8131, 806-891-8085.

PETS

Free to a good home: collie/pit bull mix puppies, 14 weeks old. Have 1st shots. 210-445-4465 M-F

Sell your unwanted items in the Classifieds.

GARAGE SALES

GARAGE SALE

788 E. 5th St.

Saturday

8-?

Furniture, computers, lawnmowers, large chest freezer, refrigerator and lots more.

GARAGE SALE

940 Hickory

Saturday

9-2

Breakfast burritos, barbacoa, menudo, clothes, & lots of misc.

3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE

926 E. 16th

Sat., Apr. 30

7-?

Washer, couch, desk, clothes, etc!

GARAGE SALE

214 W. Fairmont

Fri. & Sat.

Clothing, household goods, tools, restaurant equipment, misc.

WANTED

I buy signs! All types - anything advertising. 432-264-9900, leave message.

VEHICLES

LET US SELL FOR YOU! Consignments welcome, commission paid only if item sells! Tractors, equipment, autos, trailers, etc. MATLOCK I-20 C-City 728-3430

Are you reading this?

Then others are too!

Run your ad in the classifieds.

Call 728-3413

to place your ad in the Record!

THE RECORD REAL ESTATE PAGE

The Real Estate Marketplace of Mitchell County

AUCTIONS

AUCTIONS

AUCTIONS

AUCTIONS

AUCTIONS

AUCTION

Saturday, April 30th - 10 A.M. Sharp! LAMESA, TEXAS
Dawson County Community Building - 910 S. Houston Ave.
 Doors open at 8 a.m. Day of Sale for Viewing. Auction will begin at 10 a.m. sharp.
 Everything must be moved day of sale.

Rare Antique Firearms To Be Auctioned! A Very Rare Authentic Antique "Colt" Frontier Six Shooter - Etched Panel Revolver. A Very Rare Highly Engraved Authentic Antique "Colt" Single Action Peacemaker Revolver with Engravings Everywhere - **Must See!** A Very Rare Authentic Antique "Winchester" 1866 Yellow Boy Lever Action Rifle. A Very Rare Authentic Antique "Colt" Slide Action Lightning Rifle. A Very Rare Authentic Antique "Winchester" 1894 Lever Action Rifle. A Very Rare Authentic Antique "Winchester" 1892 Saddle Ring Carbine. All Guns in Excellent Original Working Condition. **And Many Other Antique Guns!** A Very Rare Antique Oak Signed "Stickley" Tea Cart. An Antique Gingerbread Bedroom Suite with Beautiful Matching Ladies Vanity Dresser and Chest - **Must See!** A Rare Antique "Calumet" Store Advertising Clock. A Beautiful Antique Tiger Oak Library Desk. A Beautiful Antique Oak Bookcase Secretary. A Very Rare Antique "Polyphon" Metal Disc Music Box - **Plays Great!** An Antique Tiger Oak Curved Glass China Cabinet. An Antique "Larkin" Etagere with Bevel Mirror. A Very Rare Antique "U.S.G. Harness Oil" Advertising Clock. A Very Unique Antique Child's Rocking Horse. An Antique Cherry Front "Mills" 5 Cent Slot Machine - Works! A Rare Antique 1870's "E.N. Welch" Double Dial Calendar Clock. A Rare Antique "Globe Wernicke" Stacking Bookcase. A Beautiful Antique Grandfather Clock with Beautiful Case. **And Many More Unique Pieces of Furniture!** Several Outstanding "Remington", "G. Harvey" and "Russell" Framed Western Prints. Rare Old West Leather Calvary "U.S. Saddle Bags". A Large Collection of Western Bronze Statues Including the "Stagecoach" by C.M. Russell. Very Rare 1851-D \$1 Gold Coin (Dahlonga Mint Mark). Very Rare 1890-CC \$5 Gold Coin (Carson City Mint Mark). 1924 \$20 Gold Coin, 1880 \$10 Gold Coin, 1901-S \$5 Gold Coin, 1854 \$3 Gold Coin, 1910 \$2 1/2 Indian Gold Coin, 1888 \$1 Gold Coin. And Several Other Gold Coins. Over 350 Antique Silver Dollars. 1875-CC Silver Trade Dollar, 1834 Bust Quarter, 1875-S 20 Cent, 1808 Draped Bust Half Cent, 1832 Capped Bust Dime, 1864 2 Cent, 1876-CC Seated Liberty Quarter, 1857 Flying Eagle Cent. Large Currency Collection including Confederate Notes, A Rare 1934 \$500 Note and **Many More Antique Coins!** Large Diamond Rings, Beautiful Ruby Red Cut Crystal Decanter, Beautiful Leaded Glass Lamps, Beautiful Large Cut Crystal Vase, Perfume Bottles, Cast Iron Banks, Pickle Castors, Cast Iron Locks, Unique Salt & Pepper Sets

And Much More! This is Just A Partial List! Make This Auction A Priority!

Come Early For A Good Seat!

Bring Your Truck, Newspaper & Boxes for Packing Your Items!

Bring Cash or Check with Proper I.D.

Dealer's must have copy of sales tax permit or sales tax will be added. No expectations, Announcements made day of sale supersede all other advertisement.

Auctioneer - Michael Mearns Tx. Lic. #12703

405-381-3402 - No Buyer's Premium!

VEHICLES

1995 Nissan 200SX, fair condition, good tires, excellent run-around car, 236,217 miles, standard shift, \$1100. 242-0203

HOUSES FOR SALE

House for sale: 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 912 Rusk. Contact 432-202-1775, 432-639-2955, or 325-207-3328.

HOUSES FOR SALE

928 E. 8th St. - 3 bedroom, 1 bath, laundry room, central heat/air, privacy fence, covered patio. 242-0881

ESTATE AUCTION

Tues., May 3, 2011

7 p.m.

Mitchell Auction House

877 E. 2nd Street

Colorado City, Tx.

Antiques, Collectibles, Primitives, Fender Bass Guitar, Fender Strat Guitar, Washburn Bass Guitar, Lawnmowers, Roto Tiller, Appliances, Dinette Table & Chairs, Tools, Guns, Bedroom Set, Glassware, Old Tables, Cook Stove, Washer, Dryer, Small Chest Freezer, Refrigerator, Lamps, Red Wagon, Too Much To List!

Doyle Mitchell, Auctioneer
 Tx Lic 10907

HOUSES FOR SALE

HOUSES FOR SALE

Home For Sale

3 bedroom house with 2 baths, carpeted & ceiling fans throughout, lifetime guaranteed metal siding, total electric, central heat/air, new dishwasher & water heater. Located on 2 acres off FM 2319, 1 mile from Champion corner. \$79,000
766-3990 or 236-0477

BUSINESS & SERVICE GUIDE

COMPUTER SERVICES

COMPUTER SERVICES

Picasso Technology Services

- Computer Service, Upgrades, Sales, Networking
- Virus Removal / Computer Tune-up \$65 (+ tax)
- Games Console, Smartphone Repairs
- Printer Service, Repair

FREE ESTIMATES
325-207-9670

HEATING & A/C

HEATING & A/C

Lacefield Services

Electrical - Heating - Air Conditioning
 We service all makes and models.

Rheem, Goodman
 & Carrier Dealer
 Faron Lacefield, Owner

325-242-4732

TACL BO12898C

TECL 26614

PLUMBING

PLUMBING

BARRON'S PLUMBING

For all your residential and lite commercial needs!

Water Heaters - Slab Leaks - Leak Detection
 Gas Lines - Sewer Lines - Water Softener
 Reverse Osmosis (R.O.) - Back Flow Testing



Locally owned by Mitch Barron
 Colorado City, Texas

Phone 325-242-0930

Insured & Texas Master License #M-36581



Fast & Dependable Service
 Emergency Service Calls - 24 Hour Service
 16 Years Experience

325-675-8391

PLUMBING

SCRAP METAL

PLUMBER'S PUTTY

For all your plumbing needs: gas line installation & testing, drain line cleaning & installation, emergency water leak detection & repair, whole house re-plumbing

Call Ed Levesque at

325-721-9377

Fast - Fair - Friendly Service

Get paid for your scrap metal!

Get cash for your old cars & scrap iron! Free pick-up or appliances, mowers, tin, etc.

Call Alan at

325-436-1739

HOUSE LEVELING

HOUSE LEVELING

AFFORDABLE FOUNDATION CO.

House leveling, mold removing, floor bracing, insulation, concrete repair, roofing, brick repair, handyman service.

Locally Owned Licensed & Bonded
 Senior Citizen Discounts 40 Years Experience
FREE ESTIMATES

Snyder 325-574-7888 (W) 325-201-1049 (C)

FEED & SEED

FEED & SEED

QUALITY LIVESTOCK FEED & SEED

Feed for all your show animals!

* MoorMan * Show Tec * Sun-Glo Feed
 * Sure Fed * N-Timidator * Jacoby Feed
 * Red Chain

325-728-8237

1435 Westpoint Ave. - Colorado City, TX 79512
 Mon.-Fri. 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sat. 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

CONSTRUCTION

AUTO DETAILING

KEMP CONSTRUCTION

Spec Lighting • Home Repair
 Barns • Metal Roofs • Carports
 Corrals • Private Fences
 Any type of painting!
 REASONABLE RATES
 325-725-7339 work
 325-660-9980 cell

Mr. Bubbles Auto Detailing

Oil Changes
 (Bring your own oil)
 Call for an appointment...
325-436-1135

FURNITURE

DIRT WORK

SPARKS TRADING POST

Nice Used Furniture - Antiques
 Lots & Lots of Misc.
 Buy 1 piece - Houseful - Estates
116 E. 2nd Street
325-242-1752

Tim's Dozer & Backhoe

All types of dirt work, hot shot, dump trailer for hauling material.
325-644-2341 or
325-242-1346

REFRIGERATION

YARD WORK

WATSCO SALES & SERVICE

Heating - Cooling - Refrigeration
 Rheem - Lennox
 Trane - Comfortmaker
 Jess Watson
 Rotobrush Duct Cleaning
728-8989 242-0357
728-2231
 TACL 016966C

Bullard's Backyard Basics

Mowing ~ Leaf Raking
 Tilling ~ Tree Trimming
 Hauling Any / All
 Unwanted Items, Etc.
Rick Bullard
728-8242 242-0747

APPLIANCES

Ramage Furniture Appliance & Carpet SALES & SERVICE

Whirlpool, G.E., Zenith,
 Kitchenmaid, Roper, Mayo,
 Lane, Riverside, Carpet
168 E. 2nd 728-3373
 Bob Ramage Alan Ramage

CONCRETE WORK

FELIX FRANCO CONCRETE WORK

Cement Floors - Patios
 Sidewalks - Curbs
 Cemetery Work - Driveways
FREE ESTIMATES
Call Felix Franco at
728-5443
325-242-0185

CARPET

All Around CARPET & UPHOLSTERY

CLEANING
 Commercial & Residential
 24 Hr. Flood Service &
 Tile & Grout Cleaning.

Monthly Special
2 rooms for \$35
325-207-1387

SERVICE STATIONS

WALNUT 66

Full service at self-service prices!
 OIL CHANGE - FLAT FIXED
 CARS WASHED, ETC.
728-8153

ELECTRICAL

DRUMMOND ELECTRIC

Commercial - Residential
 New Construction
 Remodel or Repair
 Trenching and Backhoe
325-737-2210 325-370-8820
 TECL 17896

HOUSES FOR SALE

HOUSES FOR SALE

HACKFELD'S Home & Ranch REAL ESTATE LLC



Keith Hackfeld
 Owner/Broker
 573-8505
 207-2984

Dana Lynch
 Agent
325-728-2569
325-242-1134

Visit our website
www.hackfeldrealestate.com

2114 Hickory St. Colorado City

RESIDENTIAL

NEW! 1540 Hickory St - 2 bedroom, 1 bath with 2 living areas and office, galley kitchen with utility room and inside storage room, attached carport, large fenced backyard with nice single attached garage/shop building and small storage building, central heat/air. \$57,000
1214 E. 17th St - Very nice, spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home. Beautiful hardwood floors, updated throughout and move-in ready. Has very nice shop/storage building with heating and cooling. Large fenced backyard with separate dog pen. Must see to appreciate. \$135,000.
2136 Locust St - Cozy 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home, living room + kitchen w/den or dining combined, central a/h - single carport, fenced back yard, storm cellar, large mature trees and storage bldg. \$65,000.
6317 CR 149 - Large spacious 5 bedroom, 4 bath. Country living with 27 acres, outbuildings, horse barn and 2 water wells. Great location with beautiful view of West Texas sunsets. \$140,000.

COMMERCIAL

529 Walnut St - Gas station with 4 pumps and 2 bays. Corner of 6th & Walnut. \$59,500.

Stevenson Real Estate

3203 College Ave. • Snyder, Texas



Daryl Drain
 325-207-4229



Ann Marie Molina
 325-436-8442

www.stevenson-realestate.com

FARM & RANCH

View listings at realtor.com or stevenson-realestate.com

EXCLUSIVE LISTINGS

New! 401 E. 11th, 3 bedroom, 2 bath with commercial building or apartment, \$83,000.
New! 541 Locust, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 3,728 sq. ft. One of a kind home... It's a must see! Call Ann Marie.
1021 Hickory, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 1-car carport, large family room. Don't miss this one! \$36,700.
1473 Oak, cozy 3 bedroom, 1 bath, \$38,900.
East 11th & Waco Corner Residential Lot, \$2750. Call Ann Marie.
705 Vine, Charming older home with extra living quarters, 4 bedroom, 2 baths.



Your Hometown Realtor



Tresa McMillan
 Owner/Broker
 325-207-8555

Shirley Drum
 Broker/Agent
 325-207-0506

Becky Seibold
 Agent
 325-242-0883

Call for appointment.

Tresa and Becky live in Colorado City.

To view all other listings, visit our website:

www.tx-real-estate.net

List and sell with us!
 Let us got you prequalified for a USDA 100% loan.

NEW! 104 W. 10th St., 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 cp. Charming older home with great personality. Must have appointment to view.
NEW! 1324 LCR 248, 5 bdrms, 4 bath log cabin, completely remodeled, lots of extras. Must have appointment to view.
NEW! 1218 E. 17th St., 2 large bdrms, 2 baths, 1 garage, carport & RV in back, \$78,500.
NEW! 1929 Mattie Woods Lane, S.O.L.D., 1cp. Would be a great investment property. Needs some TLC. \$12,000.
NEW! 709 E. 13th, empty corner lot, \$15,000.
NEW! 1440 CR 143, Stunning home on 6 acres, 3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath, built in 2007. With granite countertops, cherry wood cabinets. Call Tresa today to view!
NEW! 1620 Hickory, 4 bedrooms, could be converted into a duplex.
NEW! 2020 Chestnut, 3 **SOLD** bdrm, fireplace, carport in back.
NEW! 961 E. 16th, 3 bedroom, 1 bath, carport. Updated, just move in! Reduced to \$48,000.
NEW! 504 E. 13th, 3 bdrms, **SOLD** 2-car carport.
NEW! 931 E. 15th, **SOLD** 2 bdrm, fireplace, 2-car carport.
1460 Austin, 4 bdrm, 2 bath, den, living room. Move in ready. Reduced to \$65,000. Brick home. Great Buy!
6 lots close to hospital, across from prison, \$30,000.
505 21st St. 2 **SOLD** bth, great investment property.
705 E. 8th, Large corner lot, 3 bdrms, 3 bath, w/garage apt. Great buy! \$120,000. Financing available with City National Bank. Bank foreclosure. Will look at offers!
915 E. 9th St., 4 bdrms, 2 cp, extra lot. Priced to sell
937 Chestnut, cute, updated, 3 bdrms, new tile, updated.
871 Marshall, Below appraisal price! 3 bdrms, 2 bath, all new built-in appliances. GREATLY REDUCED! \$87,500
1086 E. 12th, 2 bdrms, **UNDER CONTRACT** Great buy. Great condition.
REDUCED! 904 Chestnut, 3 bdrm, 2 bath on large corner lot. \$63,500.
REDUCED! 751 E. 8th, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, As is, \$39,500. Move-in ready!
LORRAINE
NEW! 8218 FM 644, 3 **SOLD** bth.
NEW! 108 Crockett Ave., 3/4 bdrm, 2 bth, large home, eco friendly remodel, \$84,350. See more details on our website. Call Becky Seibold.
REDUCED! GREAT INVESTMENT! 302 Crockett, 2 bdrms., 1 bath, very cute. Totally remodeled. Great starter home! Must see! \$27,500.
REDUCED! 125 Colorado, Cute 2 bedroom, 1 bath, \$27,000. Great buy!
HUD PROPERTY
REDUCED! 1436 Austin St., \$28,160. Call Tresa. Great buy!
2177 CR 109 - 2 UNDER CONTRACT, 2 bath.
 We are your #1 hometown realtors! List and sell with us.

All photographs displayed in the Record or on our website are available for print. Drop by our office and order yours today.

Main Street matching grants give "new life"

By Amie Wood

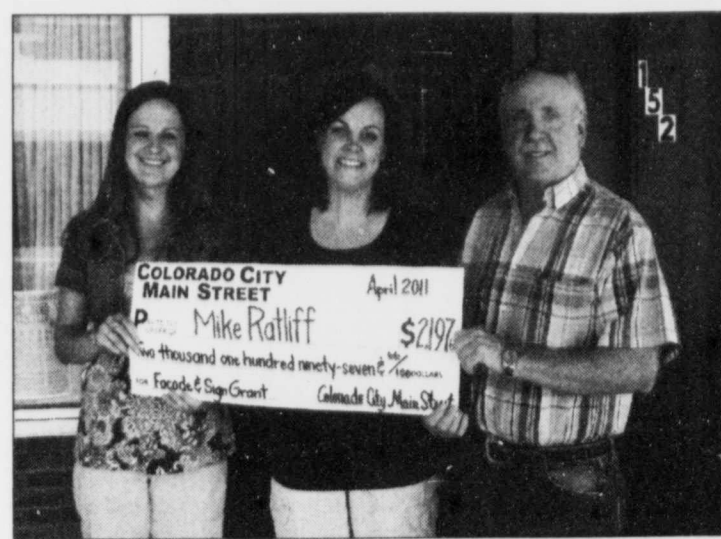
Mike Ratliff Insurance Agency recently underwent a facelift. A new sign, coat of paint and minor repairs have given this historic building new life. "This is the type of repair and replacement work Main Street loves to see," Amie Wood, Main Street Director said. "The sign, paint and repairs are all very similar to the original, keeping the historic integrity of the building intact. Plus, it is a building that has been well cared for continuously for over 120 years and that really shows." Ratliff received a \$2,197.66 matching grant for the façade and sign work to his building.

Built in the early 1880's, this building has been an array of businesses over the years. In 1886, it became the Randerbrook Hotel, serving many visitors to this "wild west" town. Soon after its closure, it

became the Colorado City Post Office and served in that capacity until the "new" post office was built on 3rd Street in 1934. In 1942, Ratliff and Worrell Attorney at Law was established and has been continuously occupied by the Ratliff family for almost 70 years to date. The adjoining building has also had some interesting businesses throughout the years. After the post office moved, it was Doss Drug Store in the 1940's, C-City Printing in the 1950's and 1960's and Pikes Peak Domino Club through the late 1960's.

Mike Ratliff's family has been a staple in Colorado City business since the early 1900's. Family businesses include the Colorado Bottling Company, NEHI Bottling Company, Chero Cola, Bodine Dairy, Ratliff and Worrell Attorney at Law and Bob Ratliff Insurance Agency. Many of these businesses and logos are represented in the mural on the side of this building.

The family legacy lives on through Mike Ratliff Insurance Agency. "The people of Mitchell County have always been good to us and we strive to do good business in return. We plan to continue on into the future," Ratliff said.



RATLIFF INSURANCE EMPLOYEES Kara Wood (center) and Mike Ratliff accept a check for over \$2,000 from Amie Wood, director of Community Development, as part of a Main Street sign and façade grant. Grant funds must be matched as a stipulation of the grant. Photo courtesy of Amie Wood.

HOUSES FOR SALE

PRICE REDUCED
961 E. 16th
 New on the market. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, large kitchen, CH/A, newly installed energy efficient windows, new deck in back, new carpet, refinished hardwood floors in bedrooms. \$48,000. Includes all new appliances.
 Call Shirley to see at 207-0506!
TEXAS REAL ESTATE
 Tresa McMillan Broker/Owner

TOWN & COUNTRY REAL ESTATE
 View listings at www.flomckenney.com
 724 Hickory • Colorado City • 728-5879
 Flo McKenney, Broker
 Janet McCright, Sales Associate 728-8898 • 242-0082

RESIDENTIAL
 Spacious 4 bedroom, 2 bath den w/fireplace, dining room or living room, large outdoor patio. Great neighborhood. **979 E. 17th.** \$135,000
 3 bedroom, 1 bath, separate dining room. New paint & carpet, central heat & air, fenced yard. **2045 Locust** \$39,500.
 2 bedroom, 1 bath home with central heat/air, new carpet and paint. **1604 Dallas.** \$39,000.
 Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, central heat & air, 2 living areas & separate dining on 1 acre of land. **540 E. 2nd Street.** \$59,500.

COMMERCIAL
 Liquor Store/Beer Store/Convenience Store. Well established, located off I-20.

LAKE PROPERTY
 Lovely home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, central heat/air, large lot, covered porches, carport, furnished. **3380 LCR 252** \$50,000
 3 bedroom, 2 bath, central heat/air, carport, furnished. Needs some work. **3374 LCR 252** \$25,000

LAND
 Approx. 8,950 acres fronting on I-20 and also CR 139. Good location for a business.

DeLoera Realty
 Professional Real Estate Services
 1641 Hickory • Colorado City
 Branch Office

Cheri Totty
 Agent / Office Manager
 325-207-6386

NEW LISTING! 408 17th St. - 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1-car carport. Great investor property!
445 FM 1229 - 415 **SALE PENDING** acres.
713 E. 10th, terrific older home, 3+ bedrooms, 3 baths, basement. Call Cheri for more info. **REDUCED! \$99,000**
Kermitt, Texas, 1016 **SALE PENDING** \$99,1729 sq. ft., **REDUCED**
REDUCED! 413 Crockett, Loraine, completely remodeled, 3 bedroom, 1 bath, new carpet, new energy-saving appliances. \$58,000.
607 E. 8th, 4 **SOLD** 2 1/2 bath, 2154 sq. ft., \$75,000.
1209 18th St., 3 **SOLD** 2 bath, 2-car carport.
1431 Waco - 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage. \$90,000
HUD Properties
REDUCED! 1436 Austin - 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1803 sq ft, built in 1938. \$28,160
 Make your tax refund count this year!
 Contact Cheri to get prequalified for a loan today!

Sherry DeLoera Agent/Owner 325-575-2575
 Abel DeLoera Broker/Owner 325-575-2578
 Shanon DeLoera Agent 325-207-1720

ADVERTISEMENT IN THE RECORD

HOSPITAL

from page 1

in compliance. The question stemmed from the fact that the hospital district regularly drains the bank account that the bond payment comes from after making the payment. Auditors were concerned that MCHD would need to keep enough money in the account to make a payment at any time.

During the administrator's report, Dewberry informed the board that he had contacted the district's architecture firm about completing the hospital's Master Facility Plan. Dewberry gave a brief explanation of the plan, which would be implemented in three phases.

Phase I would include looking at expansion of the rural health clinic, Family Medical Associates, and possibly inclusion of the Specialty Clinic in the same building. Phase II would consist of renovation of the emergency room at the hospital, and Phase III would include several projects at the hospital's main building.

The architects plan to come to the hospital board's June meeting to further discuss the master plan. Board member Bobbie Banks suggested trying to get the community more informed and involved in the plan, so as to include the needs and suggestions of the county's citizens.

The Texas Auxiliary of Hospital Volunteers, formerly the Pink Ladies, have added a new member at MCHD. Sharon Maberry will now be serving the hospital district.

Dewberry briefly informed board members that the district has been registered for some stimulus money that is tied into the electronic medical records compliance. He said he would let the board know more as the information became available.

HOUSES FOR SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER!
1224 East 17th St.
 • 3-2-2 Car Garage
 • Fireplace
 • Newly remodeled baths
 • New efficient heating /cooling systems
 • Wood laminate floors in kitchen/dining/entry
 • Water softener
 • Storage shed
\$114,000
 Call 728-2222

LORAINE NEWS

By Aimee Jackson
 Loraine Correspondent

City Hall in Loraine is getting a facelift this week with the help of TDCJ.

The City of Loraine is also getting ready to kick off a website. More information will be provided when it becomes available.

On Wednesday April 20th Dorothy Norwood and Charles Dunn played for us at the Senior Center. It was enjoyed by all as usual.

Heather and Hadley Sadler spent the weekend with Y. and Mike Sadler. Joining them Saturday were Pat, Pat, and Britany Sadler. They had a great visit.

David and Betsy Mitchell and children Derek, Ian, and Jewell visited over the weekend. They joined David's parents, Herman and Penny Mitchell and grandmother, Elnora Mitchell at First Baptist Church in Loraine Easter Sunday.

Then they joined Betsy's parents and brother from San Antonio for lunch and an Easter egg hunt. The whole family had a great time.

Brad and Pennie Henderson

from Midland came to town this weekend to visit his mom and brother, Doris and Jay Henderson.

Christine Britton spent Easter weekend with her daughter and husband, Carla and Dwight Aston of Abilene. Also attending were her grandson and family, Todd and Brec Aston.

She got to meet her new great-granddaughter, Brailey Brook. She was born on April 18th to Todd and Brec.

Also joining them were Mitch, Terri, and Kealey Aston from Abilene.

Special music at the Methodist Church Sunday was provided by Ron Mayberry. He played guitar and sang "The Lighthouse." It was enjoyed by all.

Bro. Kiefer Cauble's inspirational Easter message was titled "Then Came Sunday." It was enjoyed by all members and several visitors.

Attending (in his new blue jeans) was 4-day-old Bentley Knowlton with his parents Tyler and Kristian and several grandparents.

The landlady at the Critter Casa has a little 12-inch tall

concrete bird bath in the backyard. She assumed the coyotes were helping themselves to the water at night. **WRONG.**

Thursday afternoon late she looked out and was shocked to see an armadillo up in the bath. He is welcome, as well as any other thirsty little animal.

The Loraine Senior Center wants to make sure that everyone age 60 and over knows that they are invited to a free "toenail clinic."

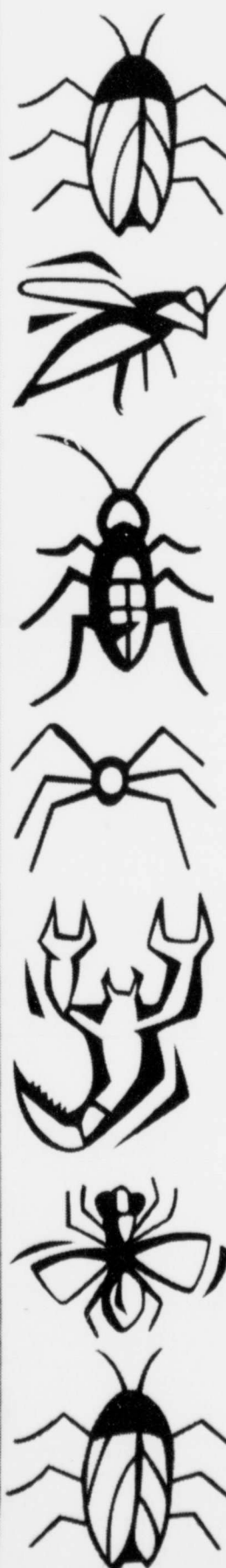
The center will host it May 18th starting at 10 a.m. and it will last till about 1 or 2 p.m. This is a great opportunity for all seniors to get the health of their toenails checked by a nurse.

Thanks to Jennifer Fales for coordinating this service!

The Loraine girls' softball team recently beat Westbrook. They will play Haskell this Friday at Trent and again on Saturday. They will play for the best 2 out of 3.

Good luck girls!

There's more news to report on our boys' and girls' track teams from Loraine. Danyell Dillard finished 3rd in the shot put at the qualifiers meet. Catelyn Johnston and Toby Garza finished in the top 10.



SPENCER Pest & Weed Control

"Hired Killer"

Don't let pests into your home and yard. Hire Spencer Pest & Weed Control to kill those unwanted visitors!

BEES
GENERAL PESTS
SPIDERS
ROACHES
WATER BUGS
FIRE ANTS
FLEAS & TICKS

We also do
TREE SPRAYING

Whether you are being run over by insects or weeds, Spencer Pest & Weed Control can take care of it for you!

Call today!
325-933-0264

PUBLIC NOTICE

All non-exempt water wells drilled since the Lone Wolf Groundwater Conservation District was created by the State of Texas will be inspected to validate permit information.

Lone Wolf Groundwater Conservation District
728-2027

Thur

Co

COLORADO

of Represe

Mitchell C

The map

which is re

book). The

Scurry,

and portio

Lubbock C

ty.

House r

bers first

leased a

that

Mitchell C

ty in.

Darby's

District

Scurry, C

Tom Green

added a c

of other c

ties.

The new

by Texas re

lican incur

status for

Co

dro

C-C

Last Th

Mike Con

rado City

a town hal

meeting a

discussed

trip with

other Me

Iraq, Paki

"As a m

Services a

mittee, I k

portunity

tary and f

issues and

back to

Sp

COLORADO

mors abou

intendent

for anothe

rumors.

"We lov

ing anyw

response t

Jay

Op

Take a

music of J

Worrell a

Friday, M

Adams

ent severa

to be rel

early nex

"Bill h

material,

the duo's

memorie

ing up in

Happy

(May 4)

you for

drews?

sore ar

a friend

Q. Is th

A. The

a goal o

defined

line, we

www.