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#### PAGE ONE

A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

#### Mayor fights for bare rights

HERMOSA BEACH, Calif. — The mayor of this popular beach community outside Los Angeles wants equal rights for women who want to bare their breasts.

"I can go topless. Why can't you?" Mayor Bob Benz asked during a city council meeting.

Benz spoke as members discussed whether to overturn 1987 laws that ban topless sunbathing and thongs. The council will vote on the matter at a later date.

"It's part of my campaign to get rid of stupid laws," said Benz, who admits to skinny-dipping occasionally.

"There's certainly no lack of evidence that we do not enforce these laws," he said. "You see plenty of thong bikinis and, to a fair degree, topless women on the beach - evidence that it's time to get rid of the law."

#### Family finds prowler is gator

TAMPA, Fla. — A family heard a persistent thump outside their house in the pre-dawn hours and expected the worst. What they found was a 7-foot alligator charging the front door.

Thuds and thrashing awakened Katherine Vivas shortly after 3 a.m. She was too terrified to leave her bedroom.

The 23-year-old used her cell phone to call her cousin, Wilson Perez, and his wife in the next room. Perez, in a whisper, warned Vivas not to turn on any lights, then went to investigate.

He peeked out the front window expecting to see a burglar. Instead, 2 feet from his front door lurked a 7-foot, 4-inch alligator.

"It made us laugh," said Paola Perez. "We were expecting to find a person — not an animal." As the family watched from a window, the gator rammed head first into their door again and again.

Finally, Wilson Perez called sheriff's deputies, who enlisted an alligator trapper to cart the creature away.



Drawing date: Wednesday, May 26 Winning numbers: 01-03-23-29-33-44 Estimated jackpot: \$7 million Winners: None

Next drawing: Saturday, May 29 Estimated jackpot: \$10 million

#### On this date in history

May 31 — More than 2000 lives were lost when Johnstown, Pennsylvania suffered a disastrous flood (1889).

June 1— The phrase "Don' give up the ship" became the slogan of the U.S. Navy after a naval battle with Britain (1813)

June 2 — The first Italian immigrant arrived in New York City (1735).

#### LOCAL WEATHER

low Pre. High 76 51 Tuesday .75 Wednesday 54 46 82 .21 Thursday Prec to date 5.80 inches

#### EXTENDED FORECAST

Partly cloudy and warmer through Memorial Day with a continued slight chance of evening thunderstorms. Increasing likelihood of isolated thunderstorms Tuesday and Wednesday. Highs around 90, lows 55-60

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# MHS graduation marks end of banner year

Bruns, Cowart address small, but special class

#### By RONN SMITH Editor

Solemn marches, emotional speeches by graduates, occasional emotional reactions by parents and grandparents, and wide grins all around — everything that traditionally goes with high school graduation.

Those were the elements as 68 Muleshoe High School students became ex-students Friday night before an overflow crowd at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Valedictorian Amber Bruns and salutatorian Robin Cowart contributed uplifting remarks.

The thing that really turned tradition on its head was Principal Dave Jenkins' last remarks to the graduates as their principal.

After telling them it had "been an honor and a privilege to be your principal" during "the greatest year in the history of Muleshoe High School," Jenkins said the credit was largely due to one man.

He added that the man's accomplishments since he arrived in Muleshoe were such that "enumeration of them would take too long."

"Bill Moore, job well done!" he concluded, and the graduates led the way in giving Moore a standing ovation.

As the graduates passed across the stage, they were introduced by high school counselor Gayla Gear, who enumerated any scholarships and special academic honors each graduate had won.

Presentation of the diplomas was strictly traditional, performed by school board members rotating the duties.



Valedictorian Amber Bruns

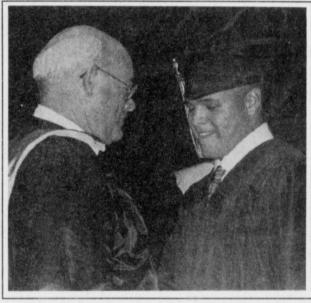


Carlton Lewis

Proceeding on across the stage, they were met by Jenkins, who performed the ritual changing of tassels from left to right. Before they left the stage, each graduate got a handshake and sometimes a hug from Moore.



Salutatorian Robin Cowart



MHS Principal Dave Jenkins and B.J. Gonzales

The smiles and occasional giggles from the presentation of diplomas died then as the Might M Band launched the muted strains of the school song, and it was time for the benediction and another solemn march — into adulthood.

# New MHS girls' coach looks forward to challenge | County to

When the Muleshoe School Board voted unanimously last Monday to hire Shana Matthews as the new varsity girls' basketball coach, it was a matter of both sides finding what they were looking for.

Matthews, who spent the last year as the girls' head coach at Paul Pewitt High in Omaha, Texas, was ready to get back to West Texas, where girls basketball is queen - not an afterthought.

Muleshoe High School was looking for a coach with good credentials and a strong work ethic; with solid fundamentals and discipline.

Matthews was chosen from a field of about 30 applicants, although less than half were actually considered. Athletic director and head football coach David Wood narrowed the field, with Superintendent Bill Moore joining Wood for interviews with the finalists.

"I'm very excited about the challenge and I'm ready

to get to work," said Matthews in a telephone interview with the Journal. "I feel it's a great opportunity and from what little I have seen of the kids, I feel we can compete."

Matthews, who is expected to be in Muleshoe in the middle of July, will teach history at MHS. She inherits a team that lost three starting seniors after going 15-17 overall, 8-2 in district and advancing to the Region 1-3A quarterfinals. Matthews replaces Jim Gruhlkey, who left to coach girls basketball at Sundown after leading the Lady Mules to the playoffs twice in his tenure at MHS.

"I watched the kids work out for a short time when I was there and I was impressed," Matthews said. "The looked like they have a good background in fundamentals and defensive skills."

Matthews is a 1985 graduate of Panhandle High School,

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#### crack down on sign theft By RONN SMITH Editor

The theft of road signs is a big problem in Texas, officicials say, and Bailey County Commissioner C.E. Grant says his Precinct 2 is being especially hard-hit.

"I've bought six sets of these signs," Grant said Friday. "I've probably spent close to a thousand dollars on signs. One lasted through one weekend - they usually disappear on Saturday nights."

Penny Mason, public information officer for the Lubbock District of the Texas Department of Transportation, said in a press release that sign vandalism has cost the 17-county district \$250,000 and costs taxpayers across the country millions of dollars.

Grant said that while no one has been killed in Bailey County because of sign theft, there have been cases of skid marks on roads where people have come close to accidents.

The signs that keep disappearing in Grant's Precinct 2 are the ones with a flashing light and the words "road closed to through traf-

Mason listed some specific cases to emphasize the

see THEFT on page 2

## **Determining ag pulse** focus of farm forum By RONN SMITH

Editor

One of half a dozen ag issues forums to be held around the state is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Doug Bales, a local organizer of the event, said regional television and radio stations are expected to cover the event, which will provide farmers an opportunity to ask questions and express opinions about the state of the industry.

Bales said Friday he has been crisscrossing the region in recent days and "we've got a lot of upset people out there," so he expects attendance to be good.

Flyers being distributed about the forum state that the panel will include representatives from the offices of U.S. Reps. Charles Stenholm, Mac Thornberry and Larry Combest, U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison and Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs.

Topics are to include the rewrite of the federal farm bill, foreign imports, crop insurance reform, Step II funding, the Freedom to Farm bill,

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**Tailgaters** 

Texas Tech women's head basketball coach Marsha Sharp (left) was the featured speaker at the annual Muleshoe Red Raider Day tailgate party at the Muleshoe Heritage Center. With Sharp is Heritage Center board member Vivian White.

## AROUND MULESHOE

#### Area students excel at Angelo State

Six area students have been named to the spring semester dean's list at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

They include Steven Brice Foster, a finance major from Lazbuddie; Katy Ayssa Jones, an early childhood major from Muleshoe; Brianne Nicole Locker, a biology major from Muleshoe; Carolyn D' Ann Schuster, a chemistry major from Muleshoe; Dawn Lynette Weir, a chemistry and biochemistry major from Lazbuddie; and Dustin Weir, a pre-medicine major from Lazbud-

To be eligible for the dean's list, a student must be enrolled full-time and have at least a 3.25 grade-point average.

#### Students make honor roll

Muleshoe-area students making the vice president's honor roll at Clovis Community College for the spring semester included Priscilla Aguirre, Guadalupe Ballinas, Fara Black, Stacie Burris, María Chávez, Rachel López, Lisa Rodríguez, Dora Toscano, Lora Wallace and Gary White.

The students earned at least a 3.5 grade-point average while enrolled in 12 or more credit hours during the spring semester.

#### Academy picks Sudan student

The U.S. Achievement Academy has announced that Nicholas Dial, a student at Sudan Elementary School, has been named a national award winner in science.

The academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of American high school students

Nicholas' name will appear in the organization's yearbook. He is the son of Larry and Patricia Dial of Sudan and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fabela of Muleshoe and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dial of Portales.

#### ENMU schedules registration

Eastern New Mexico University in Portales has set summer registration for June 4 in the College of Business.

Freshman advising and registration will be June 3-4, with new student activities set for June 3.

The first four-week summer session runs from June 7 to July 2. The eight-week session runs from June 7 to July 29, and the second four-week session is scheduled for July 6-29, with students able to register on the first day of class.

More information is available by calling (505) 562-2175.

#### 7th grade boys basketball camp set

A basketball camp for boys who will be 7th graders in the 1999-2000 school year will be held June 1-3 at the Muleshoe High School gym from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. daily

Fee for the camp is \$30 per person. For more information call MHS varsity coach Ralph Mason at 272-5840.

#### Students finish at Clovis college

Six Muleshoe-area students earned degrees or certificates

during the school's May 14 spring commencement ceremony recently at Clovis Community College.

Dora Toscano graduated with honors (maintaining an overall grade-point average of at least 3.5), earning an associate of arts degree in liberal arts.

Others participating in the commencement exercises were Cary Skaggs, associate of general studies; Margaret Quintana, associate of science in accounting; and Mary Davis, Kara Harkins and Rebecca Villareal, certificates in practical nursing.

#### Miniature golf returns Saturday

The Jennyslippers are organizing a grand re-opening Saturday for the Mule-Putt Golf Course next to the Bailey County Coliseum on U.S. 70-84 west.

The group has taken on the management of the miniature golf course as a fund-raiser.

Gates open at 5 p.m. and the opening ceremonies are scheduled for 6 p.m. This will include a flag ceremony, Boy and Girl Scouts and remarks by dignitaries.

Tee-off time will be at 7p.m.

There will be a "giant" cookout organized by the Jennyslippers, with food and drinks for sale.

#### MISD to run summer school June 3-30

Muleshoe Independent School District will begin summer school for students in grades pre-K through 8, on June 3 and end June 30.

School will begin each day at 7:30 a.m. and end at 12:30 p.m. Transportation will be provided for all students. Breakfast and lunch will be served at each campus.

Questions can be answered by calling the specific campus about Summer School and the transportation department for bus information: Dillman Elementary, Grades K-2, 272-7382; DeShazo Elementary, Grades 3-5, 272-7365; Watson Jr. High, Grades 6-8, 272-7349; Transportation, 272-7329; assistant superintendent, 272-7406.

Summer school bus stops include:

• A.M. - #1 Bus, Muleshoe to Needmore and west to Bailey Gin, to Muleshoe, East 5th and Ave. F, to 6th Street Apartment complex, to DeShazo and Lillman.

• #9 Bus, East 84 to 70 to 303 - Pleasant Valley to YL, back to E. Austin and Fir to E. Chicago and Dallas to E. Hickory - E. Ithaca to E. Birch - Chicago to DeShazo to Dillman.

• #10 Bus, South of 84 to 1760, West Camp to Muleshoe, corner of Pasadena and Railroad, to West Ash and West Reno to 18th and C, 14th and C, 10th and C, to De Shazo and Dillman.

• #11 Bus, Behind Wilson Drilling to Progress, to 214 to West Birch, West Chicago to DeShazo and Dillman.

• P.M. —Bus #11 will let kids off at Kinder Korner.

The deadline for items to appear in Around Muteshoe is 5 p.m. Monday for Thursday's edition and 5 p.m. Thursday for Sunday's edition. Items may be brought in to the office at 304 W. Second, mailed to PO Box 449, called in to 272-4536, or faxed to 272-3567.

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#### THEFT

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consequences of sign vandal-

• In one Texas county, a group of boys removed a stop sign on a Sunday morning and that same morning five people were killed in a collision at the same intersection;

· One individual that the department caught was required to pay \$30,000 in restitution for sign vandalism; and

• In Florida, three kids were convicted on three counts of manslaughter after three young people were killed at an intersection because a stop sign had been removed.

Most cotton producers on

the Texas Plains saw their crop

management strategies lead to

naught last year, due to the

If dry conditions persist this

year, producers should think

about "retooling" their strate-

gies, two agronomists and an

irrigation specialist told farm-

ers at a March crops conference

mistic about the chances for a

repeat of last year's drought ...

not yet, anyway," said Dr. Dan

Krieg, a South Plains farmer

and Texas Tech University pro-

fessor of plant and soil science.

winterrainfall, but we normally

average less than 5 inches of

rainfall from November

through April in the Lubbock

area," he said.

"We didn't receive much

"I wouldn't be too pessi-

withering drought.

in Lubbock.

Bailey County Sheriff Coy Plott was unavailable for comment last week, but a spokeswoman for his office said he recently met with two juveniles and lectured them about theft of the signs.

Mason offered a sobering "lecture" in her statement:

"Picture yourself on a remote rural road where there are no lights. The intersection is dark and some irresponsible person has removed the stop

"It's a farm-to-market road so you can drive 70 mph. You whiz through the intersection, not realizing that you are sup-

Cotton producers should prepare strategy

ting up to 13 inches of rain

between May and October,

right during the cotton grow-

"What we count on is get-

posed to yield to cross traffic.

"The last thing you see is the headlights of an approaching car. It's over so quickly you didn't even have time to react. And you didn't even know you did anything wrong. ...

"Vandalism of traffic-control devices is an intentional act, one that is performed with the intent to destroy, mutilate or steal a particular device."

Grant said he only wants to head off the problem before anything more serious happens.

"It's not just the cost that concerns me," he said. "I think we need to let people know what the consequences can be."

ing season. But even in the best

rainfall years, keep in mind that

see COTTON on page 6

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#### PURPLE PARTY HATS

Residents of the Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center enjoyed a belated Mothers' Day salad luncheon recently with friends and family. The ladies wore purple clothing and hats with red flowers, as described in the Jenny Joseph poem "Warning." Pat Watson and Joy Stancell (left) sang "Up Over the Hill" to the tune of "Home on the Range." Pictured above (from left) are Grace Scarbrough, Lillian Riddle, Rosa Martin, Nan Gatlin, Helen Tinskey, Pearlie Helmer, Aline Lock, Nettie Quesenberry, Anna B. Lane, Katherine Rogers, Minnie Underdown, Juanita Teague, Mary Johnson.

#### **FORUM**

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NAFTA, GATT and "the future of farming."

A press release from Ag Serv agribusiness advertising consultants, one of the sponsors of the forum, describes the event's goals as being the identification of key problems in the industry and the seeking of long-term solutions.

Bales is expected to introduce the master of ceremonies, farm broadcaster Lee Barron.

A meal will be furnished by concerned farmers, agribusiness interests, ranchers and merchants.



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May 21 — Connie Bruns, Nora Burch, Phyllis Carrion, Mattie Grimsley, Gladys Maddox, Pedro

May 22 — Allie Bermca, Nora Burch, Ramon Bustillos, Henry Carrion, Phyllis Carrion, Anthony Holmans, Brenna Morris, Ellawese Norman, Laura Rosales, Gladys Thomas, Reaford Wenner.

May 23 — Allie Bermea, Nora Burch, Ramon Bustillos, Henry Carrion, Brenna Morris, Ellawese Norman, Laura Rosales

May 24 — Nora Burch, Ramon Bustillos, Henry Carrion, Ellawese Norman, Laura Rosales, Nicolasa

May 25 — Nora Burch, Ramon Bustillos, Henry Carrion, Nicolasa Estrada, Kenneth Moore, Marcus Orozco, Letha Patterson, W

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son, Brandon Wolfe, Hugh Young.

May 27 — Nora Burch, Nicolasa Estrada, Reuel Kirby, Elizabeth Lewis, Marthella Lewis, Beatriz Mata, Anissa Norman, Mary St. Clair, Sally Toscano, Julie Villalobos, Gladys Wilson, Hugh

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#### ETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Three Way mom gives "the rest of the story"

As the wife of the Three Way School Board member mentioned in your article for making both motions against Bud and Venus Holmes, and also as the mother of his daughter mentioned in Joyce Harrell's letter to the editor, I have a few explanations to be made in their behalf.

First of all, I think you should check out the whole story behind all of this before coming out to our school board meeting and only covering a few details.

This whole story started back last year when our community was split. In our small community, you have a choice: You choose to be on one side or the other. Doesn't this sound like mature adult behavior to you.

This has resulted in conflicts between community members at our sporting events, fall festival and any other school function that goes on. This has been like a raw, festering sore for over a year now, and it is time it is stopped.

Maybe Mrs. Harrell is right about everyone in this community needing to read Deuteronomy 5:20, but this should have been done about two years ago.

As for the fact being stated (by Mrs. Harrell) that none of this would have happened with Bud and Venus if the two fathers would have admitted that their daughters did wrong, was our principal Danny James consulted on this matter? If he was, and there was no comment on the subject, then I as a parent of one of the girls involved can answer it: Were the girls disciplined for their actions in school with Mrs. Holmes? Yes, they were.

Maybe I should explain the situation first: Our daughter is in the third grade and is 9 years old. She was in computer class with Mrs. Holmes (Venus), and they were working on some cartoon characters on the computers.

The class was not happy with their characters and wanted to change.

My daughter was particularly unhappy with the one she had chosen to begin with. I am not saying that she was nice and polite about the way she asked

Mrs. Holmes thought she was being disrespectful and interrupting class, and I am not one

She (my daughter) and the superintendent's daughter were called down for this and told they would be seeing the principal in the office the next day.

to dispute a teacher's aides word.

That was fine, and my daughter knew she would have to face the consequences.

After school that day, she and the superintendent's daughter made a phone call to Mrs. Holmes. What was said is still a mystery, because their story does not in the least match the story stated by Mrs. Holmes.

Mrs. Holmes then called (school board member) Murray Davis to inform him that she had received a phone call from the two girls and that they would be going to the office the next day.

We were having Little Dribblers' ball games at Three Way that afternoon and my daughter heard from another board member's daughter about Mrs. Holmes making the phone call to Mr. Davis.

My daughter, being the strong-willed person that she is, proceeded to ask Mr. Davis if this was true. His answer to her question was "yes."

Now this is where I get lost in this story, because I cannot understand why Mrs. Holmes felt she had the right to call Mr. Davis and discuss the matter of what my daughter was doing after school hours.

My husband and myself were both available for Mrs. Holmes to consult on this matter. I have always been under the impression that there is a chain of command to be followed in school matters also.

My daughter and the superintendent's daughter were called into the principal's office the next day and told that their punishment for what went on in Mrs. Holmes' computer class would be three days of detention. They served their time with our blessings.

The two girls also wrote Mrs. Holmes a letter apologizing for their actions.

A few days later, a school board member's daughter —

who happens to be in the same class as my daughter and the superintendent's daughter — made the statement, while giggling and snickering, that she was doing the same thing in class as the other two girls, but she did not get in trouble because her dad and Venus are friends.

I hope this will help you understand a little more about what has been going on. These two 9-year-olds were singled out in class, made to take their punishment, and are still being blamed for a situation that is out of their control.

Children don't make these kinds of decisions. We, as adults, do.

Now I guess you can draw your own conclusion on this story, but maybe now you can see why Joyce Harrell was so quick to thank Murray Davis for his votes in favor of Bud and Venus Holmes.

I would also like to say that I don't think the rest of the board needs forgiveness for anything they did concerning this matter, especially from Joyce Harrell.

As you can see, Mr. Editor, I think you just helped stir up another hornet's nest in good old Three Way.

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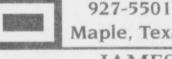
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#### COACH

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where she played basketball for four years, helped her team make the regional finals in 1984 and earned the school's basketball award in 1985. She was also a four-time regional qualifier in golf and was the district medalist runner-up twice.

She received her bachelor's degree at Texas Tech, with a major in physical education, a minor in history and a grade point of 3.41. She completed her master's in sports administration at Tech as well, posting a 3.66 GPA. She holds a Texas teacher certificate in all-level physical education, history and health.

Matthews taught and coached volleyball, basketball and track at Andrews middle school and was an assistant girls' basketball and track coach at Post before getting the girls' head basketball position in 1996. In two years as the head coach at Post, Matthews compiled a 32-26 mark.

Although personal considerations played a big role in her leaving West Texas to take the job at Pewitt High School, she might do things differently if she had to do them again.

"Girls' basketball was definitely not the emphasis," Matthews said. Pewitt was in District 14-2A with pre-season No. 1 Cooper and top 20-ranked Honey Grove.

Neither school plays volley-ball; Pewitt does. Matthews, who was the assistant volley-ball coach, was unable to start basketball until November and her program — without the benefit of off-season and summer work — was well behind her competitors. Pewitt didn't win a single game in the 1998-99 season. It was painful for Matthews, whose personal life went through its troubles as well.

"By the time I got them, it was way too late," Matthews said. "They had never been pushed to compete like I believe you need to. The kids gave me what they could and did their best, but we were teaching seniors to dribble when our opponents were

#### COTTON

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our evaporation potential is four times greater than our normal average rainfall," he added.

Most South Plains soils can hold 15 to 20 inches of moisture in the four-foot soil profile, Krieg said. But the Plains' high evaporation potential means producers should water their crop wisely and do all they can to preserve their land's limited moisture-holding capacity.

Retrofitting center-pivot sprinklers to maximize irrigation efficiency and increase a crop's water-use efficiency also aids crop survival during dry years, said Dr. Leon New, a Texas A&M professor of agricultural engineering and Extension irrigation specialist based in Amarillo.

A LEPA pivot equipped with drag socks on its drop lines, running in a field with furrow dikes, achieves 95 to 98 percent irrigation efficiency. In other words, it loses only 2 to 3 percent of the water pumped to evaporation — it's the most efficient system we have," New said.

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learning new offenses."

A "big time" football community, Pewitt's girls' programs had been getting cold on the back burner for years.

"I think we did some good things and became more competitive," Matthews said. "And the support from the administration was magnificent. But it was going to take some time (for the program to be competitive). I hope they get someone who will put in the time and turn things around."

Matthews said she had been aware of the Muleshoe program after being familiar with girls' teams at Shallowater (the 2-3A champion) and Friona.

"I know how tough that district was and I was impressed with the way Muleshoe came out," she said. "I was ready to

get back to West Texas."

While commitments in east Texas will prevent her from moving to Muleshoe until mid-July, Matthews is hopeful she will have time to get a weeklong summer camp in with the Lady Mules before school starts. She's also glad Muleshoe has a cross country program in the fall and a strong track program in the spring, as

both directly benefit the basketball program.

Matthews said she will emphasize man-to-man pressure defense at MHS.

"I feel a good defense creates offense," she said. "If you play good defense, you'll always be in games."

"I feel I'm definitely a teacher," she added. "I believe the small details get you some-

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where."

Moore said Matthews came highly recommended, despite the rough season.

"That's the nature of the best in the coaching business," Moore said. "We felt that she had a good work ethic, a good knowledge of the game and the ability to relate to kids. We felt with those qualities, the winning would take care of itself."



# Proposed hate-crimes bill causes split among Senate members

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is a column written by state Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo.)

By the time the gavel swings for the last time on May 31, my colleagues and I will have debated the merits of more than 5,000 bills filed during the early weeks of the 78th session.

many long hours of difficult reflection and painful soulsearching.

House Bill 938, the so-called hate-crimes bill, was one such proposal.

This bill almost led to a major filibuster on the last day that Senate committees could that would address the problem of telemarketing fraud.

The proposed hate-crimes bill also caused a disturbing split among the usually collegial members of the Senate and resulted in some of the most tense, emotionally charged Capitol.

Most people don't realize that we already have a hatecrimes law on the books in Texas. The original legislation was passed in 1993. It has been clarified in subsequent legislation in 1995 and 1997. Al-

of legislation, such as the one rooms and chamber of the state criminal, critics insist that the current law is too vague.

> In filing legislation this session seeking to identify specific groups of people to be protected by a new hate crimes law, proponents were attempting to make a statement against crimes motivated by prejudice

These crimes, whether it's the desecration of a Jewish synagogue or the dragging death of an East Texas black man, sicken all of us. They are ugly crimes rooted in ignorance.

Yet what troubles me about hate-crimes legislation is that it divides rather than unites us.

We, as a society, have become divided by group characteristics. Any kind of statute that protects certain groups sends a message that says some victims are more valuable than

Looking down the row at Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, the Senate sponsor of hatecrimes legislation, it was hard for me to accept that the life of one of his children is more valuable than the life of one of mine.

Those who support hatecrimes legislation believe it will act as a powerful deterrent for those who may be considering acrime based on prejudice. But, like Gov. George W. Bush, I believe that any crime is a hate crime and our current criminal laws provide the appropriate penalties for those convicted of breaking the law. It was current law that put one of the bigoted killers of James Byrd Jr. where he belongs—on death

Perhaps what bothers me the most about any proposed hatecrimes legislation is that it seeks to punish the thoughts and beliefs of another person.

The statute, as proposed, would calibrate the punishment of a defendant based upon the vileness or reprehensibility of his thoughts or beliefs.

Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes said, "If there is any principle of the Constitution that more imperatively calls for attachment than any other, it is the principle of free thought - not free thought for those who agree with us but freedom for the thought we hate."

This issue did not make it to the floor of the Senate for de-

Instead, it was debated in the hearts and minds of my colleagues who struggled for the right answer to one of society's most shameful and immoral facts of life.

Meetings went late into as the governor's office and others sought to provide a solution of the aching dilemma we all faced.

Yet, in the end, as my fellow West Texan, Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, noted during a personal privilege speech on the floor, "we dug down deep in our souls and just didn't get there."

#### **TOPS NEWS**

The TOPS No. 34 meeting on May 27 was called to order and presided over by leader Laverne James. She read an article by Richard Simmons about the importance of exer-

The article included the fifteen most often asked questions about exercise.

Thirteen members weighed in at the meeting which was held at the Church of Christ on American Boulevard.

Rose Sain was the best loser and Linda White was the first runner up. The second runner up was Evelene Harris, who has lost weight 2 weeks in a row. Our next meeting will be



# RIGAGEMENTS

#### Miller — Olivarez

Mr. and Mrs. George Miller of Waco announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Amy Miller, to Jaime Olivarez, son of Lupe and Rosa Olivarez of Muleshoe.

The bride-elect is a Waco High School graduate. She received a bachelor's degree in social work from Baylor University in 1997 and a master's in social work from the University of Arkansas in 1998. She is currently employed by Methodist Children's Home in Waco.

The prospective groom is a Muleshoe High School graduate. He received a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from St. Edward's University and a master's in criminal justice from the University of Texas at Austin. He is employed by the MHMR Klaras Center for Fami-

The couple will marry July 17 and will reside in Waco.

#### **IRTHS**

#### **Derek Tyler Damron**

Bradley and Shellie Damron of Levelland announce the birth of a son, Derek Tyler.

He was born Wednesday at Covenant Hospital of Lubbock at 9:30 a.m. He weighed 7 lbs.. 10 ounces and was 21 inches

He has one sister, Hannah. Grandparents are Jerry and Ginger Damron of Circle Back and Gerald and Jackie Coomer of Lubbock.

Great-grandparents are Clarance and Elsie Damron of Needmore, Mary Kindle of Maple, Mary Coomer of Lubbock and Charlotte Hammond of Fort Stockton.

#### Reagan Danielle Reynolds

Rodney and Rebecca Reynolds of Muleshoe announce the birth of a daughter, Reagan Danielle.

She was born May 19 at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Grandparents are Richard and Rickie Warren and Roger and Shirley Reynolds, all of Muleshoe.

Great-grandparents are James and Fern Warren of Muleshoe, Euleta Stockard of Lubbock and Vernon and Maxine Wolfe of Texico.

Great-great-grandmother is Birdie Warren of Muleshoe.

#### Allie Madison Bermea

Brenna Wheeler and Johnny Bermea of Muleshoe announce the birth of a daughter, Allie Madison.

She was born at Muleshoe Area Medical Center on May 22 at 2:02 a.m. She weighed 5 pounds, 8 ounces and was 19 1/ 2 inches long.

Allie has three siblings; Alexander, 3, Kaylie, 2, and Chelsea, 5.

Grandparents are Terry and Suzan Wheeler of Muleshoe and Elias and Carolina Bermea of Nazareth.

Great-grandparents are Jodie and Virginia Barrett of Muleshoe; George and Peggy Wheeler of Crossroads, N.M.; Butch and San Juana Olvera of Nazareth; and Ramón and Felipa Bermea of Abilene.

Samantha Lea Sanders David and Ashley Sanders of China Springs, Texas an- 2 inches long. nounce the birth of their first child, Samantha Lea.

She was born March 28, 1999 in Waco, Texas. She weighed 7 lbs., 14 ounces and was 20 1/

Grandparents are Brock and Peggy Sanders, formerly of Muleshoe, residents of Lorena, Texas, and Rick and Thomasu Hagelstein of China Springs.

#### To Do List ...

#### 1. Stop by ANTIQUES & FINE THINGS!

2. Look for knick-knacks, collectibles and antiques in Cherubs & Cherishables

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- 3. Talk to the owners about setting up a booth!
- 4. Ask about new bridal selections.

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# **BITUARIES**

#### **OSCAR JOE CASTILLO**

Services were held Friday at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Earth for Oscar Joe Castillo, 70, of Earth. The Rev. Joe Augustine was the celebrant. Burial was in Earth Cemetery.

Ellis Funeral Home handled Memorial Park Cemetery. arrangements.

31, 1929, in Mexico. He died Wednesday at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He married Juanita García in Muleshoe on Jan. 11, 1953. He had been a resident of Earth since 1944, moving there from Mexico. He was a mechanic and a member of St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Juanita; four sons, Jesse Castillo, Oscar Castillo Jr. and Carlos Castillo, all of Earth, and Esequiel Castillo of Amarillo; one daughter, Tina Vásquez of Earth; four sisters, Emma Estrada, Angelina Ramírez, Delores Gutiérrez and Rosa Castillo, all of El Paso; two brothers, Fernando Castillo of Torreón, Mexico, and Reyes Castillo of El Paso; 16 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

#### **INEZ NICEWARNER**

Services were held Saturday at the Missionary Baptist Church in Littlefield for former Muleshoe resident Inez Nicewarner, 74, of Littlefield. The Rev. Art Freeman officiated. Burial was in Muleshoe arrangements.

Mr. Castillo was born Jan. Littlefield handled arrange- died Thursday at Cochran Mements

> Mrs. Nicewarner was born Jan. 18, 1925, at Mahoney, Texas. She died Thursday at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

She married W.D. Nicewarner on Oct. 26, 1940, at Sulphur Springs, and they lived in Muleshoe from 1946 to 1972.

She was a homemaker and a member of Littlefield's Missionary Baptist Church.

Mrs. Nicewarner is survived by her husband, W.D.; two sons and daughters-in-laws, Don and Wilma Nicewarner of Amarillo and Ben and Fenna Nicewarner of Lubbock; one daughter and son-in-law, JoAnn and Billy Timms of Slaton; one brother, Billy Joe Stroud of Sandia, Texas; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

#### R.D. 'JACK' STANLEY

Graveside services were held Saturday at Enochs Cemetery for R.D. "Jack" Stanley, 80, of Enochs. The Rev. Danny Jackson officiated.

Ellis Funeral Home handled

Mr. Stanley was born Feb. Hammons Funeral Home of 19, 1919, in Center, Texas. He morial Hospital in Morton.

He married Oleta Huff on Sept. 11, 1945, in Lubbock. They moved from Lubbock to Enochs in 1990.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and had been a builder and decorating con-

Mr. Stanley is survived by his wife, Oleta; two daughters, Doreene Crownover of Ruffin, N.C., and Darlene Jones of Shallowater; four sisters, Oneta Jackson of Trussville, Ala., Wanda Yorston of Houston, Evelyn Banks of Tyler and La Rhue Spencer of La Grande, Ore.; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Enochs Cemetery Association, c/o Wanda Layton, Route 2, Box 98, Enochs, Texas 79324.

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The Bailey Central Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2000 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on June 10, 1999 at 1:00 p.m. at 302 Main Street, Muleshoe, Texas.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget is \$248,600 The total amount of increase over the current year's budget is \$3,900

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget is 4 full time and 1 part time. The number of employees compensated under the current budget is 4 full time and 1 part time.

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by a majority of the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities, and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

#### **OSPITAL ADMISSIONS**

Muleshoe Area Medical re- Henry Carrion, Phyllis Carported admitting the following patients:

May 20 — Mariah Alfaro, Connie Bruns, Nora Burch, Phyllis Carrion, Annie Chavez, Manuel Fabela, Georgie Foster, Mattie Grimsley, Gladys Maddox, Juan Moron, Manuel Mota, Jackie Robinson, Laura Stansell, Pedro Vanegas, Ottilie Wisian.

May 21 — Connie Bruns, Nora Burch, Phyllis Carrion, Mattie Grimsley, Gladys Maddox, Pedro Vanegas.

May 22 — Allie Bermea, Nora Burch, Ramon Bustillos,

rion, Anthony Holmans, Brenna Morris, Ellawese Norman, Laura Rosales, Gladys Thomas, Reaford Wenner.

May 23 — Allie Bermea, Nora Burch, Ramon Bustillos, Henry Carrion, Brenna Morris, Ellawese Norman, Laura Rosales.

May 24 — Nora Burch, Ramon Bustillos, Henry Carrion, Ellawese Norman, Laura Rosales, Nicolasa Estrada.

May 25 — Nora Burch, Ramon Bustillos, Henry Carrion, Nicolasa Estrada, Kenneth Moore, Marcus Orozco,

Letha Patterson, Sanderson, Sally Toscano, Gladys Wilson.

May 26 — Gladys Bradshaw, Nora Burch, Nicolasa Estrada, Rafael Franco, Reuel Kirby, Kenneth Moore, Marcus Orozco, Letha Patterson, Mary St. Clair, Sally Toscano, Gladys Wilson, Brandon Wolfe, Hugh Young.

May 27 — Nora Burch, Nicolasa Estrada, Reuel Kirby, Elizabeth Lewis, Marthella Lewis, Beatriz Mata, Anissa Norman, Mary St. Clair, Sally Toscano, Julie Villalobos, Gladys Wilson, Hugh Young.

#### Church to start 3-on-3 league

First Baptist Church of Muleshoe will offering a 3-on-3 basketball league this summer.

The league will be open to anyone 16 years of age and older, and the cost is \$50 per team. Games are scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

This will be a 16-team league with two games each night for 10 weeks, beginning June

To register a team, stop by the church's recreation office or call 747-2438 no later than Friday.

#### Softball extravaganza set

A world Hispanic qualifier and state USSSA qualifier for men's B/C and D/E softball has been scheduled for July 23-25 in Lubbock.

More than 100 teams are expected.

The "Menudazo" also will be tournaments for women and co-ed recreational, old-timers (age 40 and over), women's fast-pitch, washers, horseshoes, volleyball, pool and baseball.

Entry fees (due by July 20, no exceptions) are \$135 in men's leagues, \$110 in women's, co-ed and old-timer's divisions, \$140 in women's fast-pitch, \$80 in volleyball, \$20 in horseshoes and washers and \$150 in baseball.

The event includes free entertainment by Chicano bands, a menudo contest and food and beverage booths.

More information is available by calling (806) 763-3841 or e-mailing elellub@aol.com.

#### Muleshoe event scheduled

The fourth annual Dad Can Do Anything He Wants on His Day Softball Tournament is scheduled for June 18-20 in Muleshoe as the main event in conjunction with the Father's Day Festival.

This is a men's class D and E tournament: entry fee is \$115 and the deadline is June 17.

Trophies will be awarded for first through third and there will be individual prizes through fourth place, plus MVP.

More information is available by calling Alberto at 272-4233 or e-mailing elellub@aol.com.

#### Seventh-grade boys' camp

A seventh-grade boys' basketball camp will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. June 1-3 at the Muleshoe High School gym.

The fee will be \$30 per person.

More information is available by calling Ralph Mason at 272-5840.

# Herbicide may damage corn fields

Farmers who may have used the herbicide Balance during spring planting of corn crops should be aware of a potential problem, the Texas Corn Producers Board said this week.

The board noted that a number of High Plains farmers have reported damaged and lost crops apparently related to use of the herbicide.

Farmers who believe they have sustained damage due to use of the product should contact the board at (800) 647-CORN

Farmers should note the type of damage their crops sustained and the acreage affected before calling.

# High school awards presented

Awards presented to Muleshoe High School students during the May 25 awards program included:

· President's Award for Educational Excellence(presented to students with a 3.5 or higher grade-point average and an 85th percentile or higher score on a college admission examination) — Amber Bruns, Robin Cowart, Larkin Price and Blair Saylor;

· University Interscholastic League Scholar Awards (seniors in the top 10 percent of the class who participated in at least one UIL activity) -Amber Bruns, Robin Cowart, La Rhonda Copley, Larkin Price, Blair Saylor and Melissa Williams;

· State Board of Education's Celebration of Educational Excellence — Deepa Bhakta, Amber Bruns, Marisa Buenrostro, La Rhonda Copley, Robin Cowart, Rebecca Flores, Nathan Keller, Joseph Mata, Larkin Price and Blair Saylor;

· TAAS Academic Recognition Awards for writing, reading and mathematics -Adrienne Ashford and Megan Tipps; reading and mathematics — Letti Barrera, Diana Gable, Chris Hall, Michelle Parker, Aubrey Ruthardt and Travis Tunnell; reading — Brandon Broyles, Anthony Buenrostro, Rocky DeHoyos, Jordan Pool, Westin Price, Melinda Scott and Chyla Torres; mathematics — Casey Hall, Stephanie Kirk, Jerrell Otwell, Joey Stone, Elizabeth Torres and Dan Williams;

· TAAS Mastery of All Objectives (for correctly answering at least 75 percent of the questions in each test objective) for reading, writing and mathematics — Adrienne Ashford, Letti Barrera, Brandon Broyles, Jennifer Castorena, Diana Gable, Chris Hall, Jeffrey King, Jerrell Otwell, Melinda Scott, Joey Stone, Megan Tipps, Travis Tunnell and Dan Williams;

writing and reading -Roxann García, Bobby

Guerrero, Kyla Hamilton, III, Ebony Russ; Band IV, Westin Price, Daniel Ramírez, Aubrey Ruthardt, Chris Vela and Stephan Woodard;

writing and mathematics — Rosario Cabrera;

reading and mathematics— John Ellis, Melissa Flores, Casey Hall, David Morris, Luis Pacheco, Michelle Parker, Drew Robinson, Bryce Thomason and Russell War-

writing - Arthur Esquivel, Moises García, Rhea Gonzales and María Vargas;

reading - Shari Alanis, Olivia Alarcón, Lindsey Altman, Tyler Black, Anthony Buenrostro, Sonny Chávez, Kayla Claybrook, Rocky DeHoyos, Kinsee Estep, Ismael Gonzales, Jessica Hernández, Stephanie Kirk, Fiedel Lira, Jordan Pool and Rosa Recio;

mathematics — Thomas Barrera, Tommie Hernández, Landon Nichols, Ryan Saylor and Elizabeth Torres;

· Faculty Awards (by subject) - Art I, Roxann García; Art II, Michelle López; Art III, Ryan Hodge; Art IV, Johnathan García;

Health Care I, Rhonda Copley;

English II, Stephen Woodard; Pre-AP English II, Megan Tipps;

Business Computer Information Systems I (presenter Flint Bigham), Clint Black; Girls' Physical Education, Veronica Toscano; Boys' Physical Education, John Ellis;

Special Effort Award -Giuliana Tarango;

Algebra I, Blanca Arzola; Algebra II (presenter Debbie Conner), Devin Carpenter; Honors Algebra II (presenter Debbie Conner), Ricardo Aburto;

Freshman Choir, Nikki Felan; Sophomore Choir, Tommie Hernández; Junior Choir, Tyson Purdy; Senior Choir, Renaldo Ortiz; Outstanding Choir Member, Nathan Keller;

Band I, Travis Tunnell; Band II, Megan Tipps; Band

Melissa Lozano; Outstanding Band Member, Nathan Keller;

U.S. History (presenter Bob Graves), Nikki Bonds; U.S. Government, Deepa Bhakta; Economics, Erin Wilhite;

Pre-Calculus, Eric Posadas; Calculus, Amber Bruns; UIL Calculator Applications District Competition, second place - Kamal Bhakta, fifth place, Adrienne Ashford;

UIL Math District Competition, sixth place - Eric Posadas;

Spanish II, Ricardo Aburto; Spanish III, Leo Joyner; AP Government, Blair Saylor; Economics, Amber Bruns;

Comprehensive Home Economics, Lisa Johnson; Bachelor Cooking, Martin Rangel; Child Development, Juan Olguín; Outstanding FHA Member, Elizabeth Castorena;

U.S. History (presenter Brad Hill), Zac Yanis; Spanish I, Carmen Flores;

Pre-AP English I, Terrell Herington; English IV, Rhonda Copley; AP English IV, Blair Saylor;

**UIL Ready Writing District** Competition, second place — Larkin Price, fifth place — Blair Saylor, sixth place — Robin Cowart;

UIL Literary Criticism District Competition, first place (and sixth at regional) - Blair Saylor, third place — Larkin Price, fourth place — Robin Cowart, sixth place — Amber Bruns, and first-place team, Saylor, Price and Cowart;

Chemistry (presenter Ralph Mason), Dan Williams; Biology I, Sal DeLos Angeles;

English I, Cassie Wilcox; World History, Megan Tipps;

Apparel, Myra Arzol; Family Economics, María Reyes; Home and Family Living, Facundo Olivas; Interior Design, John Ellis; Teen Leadership, Casey Hall; Outstanding Member Leadership Council, Keisha

Anatomy and Physiology, Eric Posadas; see AWARDS on page 10

# Crop-pests workshop scheduled

PLAINVIEW—Producers and ag consultants can update their crop production and pest management skills by attending a High Plains Crop Pests Scouting Workshop on Tuesday in Plainview.

The event is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. It will begin at 8:20 a.m. at the Ollie Liner Center and adjourn at about 4:30 p.m. There is no fee to attend.

"This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about cotton, corn and grain sorghum," said Greg Cronholm, Hale County Extension integrated pest control management agent.

Morning presentations by Extension and Texas Department of Agriculture specialists and agents will focus on cotton growth and development, cotton insect pests, recognizing and promoting beneficial insects in field crops, and worker protection standards.

"We'll take a break during the morning and afternoon sessions, so participants can visit and view insect specimen displays," Cronholm said. "We'll also take a one-hour 'on your own' lunch break."



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#### Introducing . . .

Sabrina Rodríguez shows off her Happy Face kite during an eighth-grade kité-flying event recently in Muleshoe.

#### **AWARDS**

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Theater Arts I, Eric Madrid;
Theater Arts II, Luis Pacheco;
Theater Arts III, Brandy
Whitt; Theater Arts IV, Nathan
Keller; Speech, Chris
Gatewood; Debate, Westin
Price; Outstanding Speech and
Theater Awards — Phillip
Hardt, Blair Saylor, Bryce
Thomason, Adrienne Ashford,
Marisa Buenrostro and Erienne
Hill;

Integrated Physics and Chemistry (presenter John Jones), Ricardo Aburto (also won blue ribbon at Regional Science Fair); APBiology, Erin Wilhite; Hutto; English Engli

Algebra II (presenter Gaylord Latham), Casey Hall; Honors Algebra II (presenter Gaylord Latham), Adrienne Ashford; Geometry, Tyson Purdy;

Pre-AP English I, Lincoln Riley; English III, Rosario Flores; AP English III, Eric Posadas;

UIL Spelling District Competition, sixth place — Deepa Bhakta;

Business Computer Information Systems I (presenter Chris Mardis), Megan Tipps; Business Computer Programming I, Kamal Bhakta; Business Computer Programming II, Blair Saylor; Computer Technology Assistant, Kamal Bhakta; Outstanding Member of the Student Community Action Club, Amber Bruns;

UIL Prose Reading District Competition, first place—Luis Pacheco;

UIL Poetry Reading District Competition, first place — Nathan Keller, third place — Chris García, fifth place — Josh McElroy;

UIL Informative Speaking
District Competition, first place
— Phillip Hardt, fifth place —
Joseph Anguino, sixth place
— Becky Flores;

UIL Persuasive Speaking District Competion, second place — Westin Price, third place — Chris Gatewood;

UIL Persuasive Speaking
State Competition — Chris
Gatewood;

UIL Lincoln-Douglas Debate District Competition, first place — Adrienne Ashford;

UIL Cross Examination
Debate District Competition,
second place team — Chris
Gatewood and Westin Price;

UIL Best Actor District Competition, Luis Pacheco;

UIL All-Star Cast Area Competition, Nathan Keller, Luis Pacheco and Westin Price;

World History, Martin Morales; World Geography, TJ

English I, Olimpica Hernández; Marketing Dynamics, Rosario Flores; Marketing Management, Becky Flores;

Outstanding DECA Members, Melissa Aguirre (junior) and Melissa Lozano (senior);

**DECA Qualifiers in District** and State Competition: Public Relations Project — Rosario Flores, Michelle López and Melissa Aguirre; Hospitality Services/Management Decision Making — Ebony Russ and Kimberley Dickinson; Civic Consciousness Project— Becky Flores Melissa Lozano; Learn and Earn Project -Shawna Dale and Vanessa Orozco; Travel and Tourism/ Marketing Management Decision Making - Josh Kitchens and Leesa Gable; DECA Qualifiers in District, State and National Competition, Public Relations Project — Melissa Aguirre, Michelle López and Rosario Flores;

Cisco I (computer networking), Leo Joyner;

Business Computer Information Systems I (presenter April Smith), Elizabeth Lozano; Business Computer Information Systems II, Ellen Wood; Accounting I, Amy Ronek;

UIL Accounting District Competition, first-place team — Amy Ronek, Amanda Carpenter, Kristi Villalobos and Deepa Bhakta; third place — Kristi Villalobos; fourth place — Amy Ronek;

UIL Computer Application District Competition, fifth place — Blake Gartin;

Math (presenter Belinda Steinbock), Michael Mojica; Reading (presenter Belinda Steinbock), Michael Martínez;

Algebra I-4A, Brenda

López; Algebra I-4B, Amanda Villegas;

Speech (presenter Ron Welch), Monica Olveda; Health (presenter Ron Welch), Terrell Herington;

Wildlife, Rhett Kirby; Animal/Plant Production, Russell Warren; Equine Science, Greg Peña; Agricultural Mechanics, Lucio Soto; Agricultural Structures Technology, Brandon Thomason; Honors Plant and Soil Science, Ky Kennedy; Outstanding FFA Member, Brandon Thomason;

Chemistry I, Adrienne Ashford; Physics, Ryan Hodge; AP Chemistry, Kamal Bhakta; Research Team, Deepa Bhakta, Kamal Bhakta, Amber Bruns, Robin Cowart, Joseph Mata, Amy Marricle, Amanda Messenger and Larkin Price;

U.S. History (presenter Joe Pat Wright), Ricardo Aburto; Female Super Mule Award, Erin Wilhite;

Male Super Mule Award, Dustin Cleavinger;

Academic Athlete Award (for leadership qualities coupled with academic excellence), Erin Wilhite;

Principal's Special Recognition and Achievement Award, Marcos Soto;

Assistant Principal's Special Recognition and Achievement Award, Clifton Jones;

Abilene Christian University Junior Scholar Scholar Sholar Sholar Sholar Henry and Leo Joyner;

Clovis Community College Technical Career Center Portfolio, Belinda Alarcón, Denise Alvarado, Amanda Carpenter, Veronica Mendoza, Lizeth Mendoza, Dusty Ramage, Amy Ronek, Brandon Thomason, Jennifer Walls and Katie Woodworth;

Wal-Mart Community Leaders Scholarship, Amber Bruns;

Awards of Academic Excellence—Level One Seniors,
Dustin Cleavinger, Carlton
Lewis, Ashley Pool and Ellen
Wood;

Awards of Academic Excellence — Level One Juniors, Christie Adrian, Joseph Anguiano, Randy Bohler, Devin Carpenter, Audra Clarkson, Rhett Green, John McClanahan, Ronnie Orozco, and Michelle Toscano;

Awards of Academic Excellence — Level One Sophomores, Jennifer Castorena, Melissa Flores, Chris Hall, Tommie Hernández, Luis Pacheco, Westin Price, Bryce Thomason and Travis Tunnell;

Awards of Academic Excellence - Level One Freshmen, Ricardo Aburto, Blanca Arzola, Megan Barrett, Amanda Bell, Nikki Bonds, AJ Buhrman, Jessica Carpenter, Elizabeth Castorena, Carmen Flores, Britni Gartin, Kayla Glover, Terrell Herington, Olimpica Hernández, Erienne Hill, Rendi Hodge, Kayla Kelley, Denisse López, Matthew López, Matthew Luna, Eric Madrid, Ashley May, Suzanne Messenger, Brandon Mount, Jennifer Rempe, Lincoln Riley, Stephan Shelburne, Laura Wood and Zac Yanis;

Academic Excellence Awards — Level Two Senior, Lindy Underwood;

Academic Excellence Awards — Level Two Juniors, Bobbi Benham, Clint Black, Chris Gatewood, Ryan Hodge, April Kelley and Ebony Russ;

Academic Excellence Awards — Level Two Sophomores, Adrienne Ashford, Letti Barrera, Brandon Broyles, Casey Hall, Stephanie Kirk, Aubrey Ruthardt, Melinda Scott, Joey Stone, Megan Tipps and Dan Williams;

Academic Excellence Awards — Level Three Seniors, Deepa Bhakta, Amanda Carpenter, Nathan Keller, Joseph Mata and Kellie Morris;

Academic Excellence Awards — Level Three Juniors, James Barrett, Kamal Bhakta, Lynsie Black, Rosario Flores, Blake Gartin, Leonard Joyner, Stacy Locker, Michelle López, Mitch Mason, Eric Posadas, Tyson Purdy, Leisha Wallace and Brandy Whitt;

Academic Excellence Awards—Level Four Seniors, Amber Bruns, Rhonda Copley, Robin Cowart, Amy Marricle, Amanda Messenger, Amy Ronek, Blair Saylor, Erin Wilhite and Melissa Williams;

National Honor Society Seniors, Tarrah Bell, Deepa Bhakta, Randy Bohler, Amber Bruns, Marisa Buenrostro, La Rhonda Copley, Robin Cowart, Rebecca Flores, Jill Gladdin, Nathan Keller, Amy Marricle, Joseph Mata, Kellie Morris, Bobby Padilla, Larkin Price, Blair Saylor, Stephanie Sexton, Erin Wilhite and Melissa Williams;

Class of '99 Honor Graduates (grade-point average of 3.8 or higher), Deepa Bhakta, Amber Bruns, La Rhonda Copley, Robin Cowart, Amy Marricle, Joseph Mata, Amanda Messenger, Kellie Morris, Bobby Padilla, Larkin Price, Blair Saylor, Erin Wilhite and Melissa Williams;

Class of '99 Salutatorian, Robin Cowart; and

Class of '99 Valedictorian, Amber Bruns.

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Curtis Shelburne is minister of the 16th & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.

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The Muleshoe Journal is looking for our 1999 "Father of the Year"

For this year's contest, the Muleshoe Journal is looking for a **PHOTOGRAPH** that best depicts why your dad should be our 1999 Father of the Year. It doesn't matter what year or under what circumstances the photo was taken. We want to see pictures of your dad doing the things that make him a great father...mowing the lawn, cooking dinner for the family, holding your newborn brother or sister, sleeping in his favorite chair...etc. All entries will be judged by an unbiased group of persons based on content and originality. A one sentence caption that captures the idea of your pictures would be a great addition!

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Deadline to enter this year's contest is June 15, 1999 at 5 pm. Drop your entry photo off at the Muleshoe Journal office, 304 W. 2nd St. or mail your photos to us at PO Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. Please include a return address so that pictures can be returned. This contest is open to all fathers.



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# STOP & SHOP

#### LEGAL

Request for Proposals The City of Muleshoe is accepting bids for an Emergency Alert System for the City. Bids will be accepted until 12 noon on June 21, 1999. The project is to be submitted as one total package. Partials or subs will not be allowed. Comparable and equal components may be substituted for acknowledged bid and spec list. A copy of the system is available to interested parties at the City of Muleshoe Municipal Building. Bid packets should be addressed to Rick L. Hanna, City Manager, 215 S. 1st, Muleshoe, Tx. 79347. Published in the Muleshoe Journal May 27 and 30, and June 3, 1999.

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HIGHLAND - HARVEY AREA • 3-1-1 carport Home, wall furnace heat, evap. air, large yd.,

MORE!! \$20's!!!! HV-2 • 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, gas log FP, fenced yd., stor.

bldg., MORE!! Price Reduced! HL-5 • 2-1-1 carport home, wall furnace heat, evap. air, DW, 5 fans, cov. patio, gas grill, fenced yd., MAKE OFFER!!! HL-2 • 3-2-2 Brick Home, corner lot, wall furnace heat, Cent. Evap.

Air, fenced yd., stor. bldgs., MORE!!! HL-4 • NICE 2-2-1 + 1 Carport Brick, 2,000 + living area., Cent. A&H, built-ins, fans, den w/WB stove, enclosed heated pool, corner

lot, fenced yd., MORE!! \$80's!! HL-1 • 2-1-1 Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, corner lot!! \$23,500!! HV-1 LENAU - COUNTRY CLUB AREA

 PRICE REDUCED 2-1-1 Carport Home, wall furnace, nice carpet, storm shelter, stor. bldg., fenced yd. \$19K!! CC-3 • NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. Heat & Cent. Evap. air, built-ins, FP, fenced yd., stor. bldg.!!! \$40's!!! CC-1

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HIGH SCHOOL

 3-1/2-1 Homeon corner lot, fenced yd., storage bldg., MORE!!! • VERY NICE 3-1-1 Brick, Heat pump, DW, nice carpets, fenced yd., MORE!!! \$30's !!! HS-1

• NICE 2-1-1 Brick, Heat Pump, nice carpets well insulated, storm windows & doors, 550 s.!! H5-6

•VERY NICE 3-1-1 Home, nice carpets and vinyl, heat pump, fans, fenced yd., stor. bldgs., MORE!!! \$30's!!! HS-5

• PRICE REDUCED 32 1B ick Has Press, built-ins, fans, screened porch!!! \$30's!! HS-7 •1 - 14' x 60' and 1 - 12' x 40' Mobile Home on a 98' x 75' lot, both have cent. heat, evap. air, stove, & ref., cov. patios, fenced yd.!!! • 3-2-2 Home, corner lot, floor furnace heat, Cent. Air, auto.

spklr., stor. bldg., fenced yd., MORE!! \$50's!! HS-10 • 2-1-1 Home, wall frunace, win. evap. stove, refrig., W&D, fenced yd.!!! \$23,000!! HS-11

• 2 Homes - live in one, rent the other or use for rental property. \$25K!!! HS-13 Nice 3-2 Home, Heat pump, built-ins, fenced yd., stor. bldg.,

\$37,500!! HS-8 • VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Heat Pump, built-ins, fans, nice carpet, stor. bldg., fenced yd., MORE!!! \$60's!!! HS-3 NICE CHURCH BUILDING, approx. 2 acre tract, with 3-2 Mobile Home for classrooms or parsonage!!!

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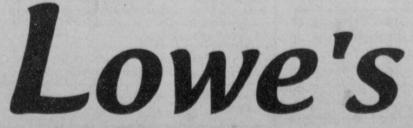
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