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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

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They may not be able to change their tires in less than 20 seconds, but members of the Stockertown (Pa.) Fire Department are looking for something decidedly racy: sponsorship.

The tiny borough of 650 residents bought a fire truck but hasn't been able to scrape together enough money to pay for it.

The fire chief and the city council president dreamed up the idea of selling advertising space on the truck to raise money. So far, no one has signed on.

Robber gets his wish — jail

Sean Beagh said he committed two robberies because he wanted to go to jail, where he would be safe from the Irish Republican Army.

He got his wish — despite pleading innocent — when a jury in Exeter, England, took just 10 minutes to convict him and a judge sentenced him to eight years.

Beagh, a 48-year-old native of Limerick, Ireland, was convicted of robbing branches of the Bradford and Bingley savings and loan of \$1,950 and \$2,600, both in June. In each case, he claimed to have a gun.

Prosecutor Jonathan Barnes asked Beagh whether he wanted to go to prison to be safe from the IRA, and Beagh replied: "Yes."

"Why not just plead guilty?" Barnes asked.

"Because I need to let my victims know that although I committed this foul act, I really believe I did it for the right reasons," Beagh replied.

Beagh told police he was being hunted by a group opposed to the IRA's cease-fire.

Judge Graham Cottle noted that Beagh made the same claim in 1993, when he was sentenced to six years in jail for two similar robberies.

In between the two more recent robberies, Beagh wrote to police promising to surrender. He did so a day after the second robbery.



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On this date in history

Jan. 17— The first Anglo-American colonization contract to be implemented in Texas is awarded by Mexico to Moses Austin (1821).

Jan. 10— The Lucas gusher comes in at Spindletop, setting of the Texas oil boom (1901).

Jan. 11 — The Confederate ship *Alabama* sinks the *USS Hatteras* off the coast of Galveston during the Civil War (1863).

LOCAL WEATHER

Cold, wet weather apparently won't be leaving the area within the next few days. As of Friday, scattered showers were in the forecast for Tuesday and Wednesday, with temperatures reaching about 52 Sunday before dropping into the 40s for the rest of the week. Morning temperatures should be in the teens Sunday and Monday and the low 20s for the rest of the week.

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Missed your paper? Call carrier Melissa Flores at 272-6719 or the Journal during business hours, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

New nursing home flying up



Journal photos: Beatrice Morin
Above, Victor Arzola (left) of Muleshoe and Mark Rosendo of Lubbock get foundation forms ready for Ruben's A-1 Concrete of Lubbock. At left, Mike Becknal (left) and Chris Johnson of Becknal and Co. put up framing. The often-delayed project has been going up rapidly once construction began.

School board gets National Honor Society handbooks

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Muleshoe High School Principal Dave Jenkins gave each school board member a copy of the National Honor Society handbook during Tuesday's board meeting.

Obviously hoping to head off any future controversy about honor society membership, Jenkins said the handbooks had required some effort to secure but were worth it. Membership "can be an emotional thing if a student is not selected for National Honor Society or is dismissed from National Honor Society," he added.

Board members also honored Muleshoe's members of the all-region choir— Elida Diaz, Hailey Hamilton, Christine Reeves, Erin Allen, Irene Torres and Laura Wood — along with choir director Allison Johnston and accompanist Fran Hamilton.

The board also:

- Heard Mayor Victor Leal proclaim January as School Board Recognition Month in Muleshoe. (Superintendent Gene Sheets also read a letter from former Texas Gov. George Bush.);

- Heard a report from Sheets that first-quarter claims on the district's beleaguered health insurance had been "better than expected so far";
- Approved a recommendation by Assistant Superintendent Adrian Meador that an 8-year-old computer be given to Cochran Memorial Hospital in Morton and a computer monitor be given to Muleshoe Area Medical Center;
- Heard a report from DeShazo Elementary School Principal Barbara Finney and teacher Jessie Hanna about a volunteer mentor program

Hanna has instituted. Leal, who is a participant, told the board that the program is very meaningful to the volunteers as well as to the students;

- Heard food service director Kevin Wallace report that the district's cafeteria's lost money in December, but he said it was because of the holiday school schedule and "I don't expect that to happen again this year"; and

- Were told that TAAS preparation across the district began during the week and that two new buses had arrived and been put to use.

Farwell farmer participating in national cotton conference

Mark Williams of Farwell described his crop year 2000 experiences Wednesday from his seat on a panel at the Beltwide Cotton Conference in Anaheim, Calif.

The panel topic was "Technology's Role in Least-Cost Cotton Systems." "After a really tough growing season, farmers have become much more concerned with just surviving another year than with adopting a great deal of new technology," Williams said.

With irrigation bills tripled over 1999 costs, Williams expressed concern that he may have to consider turning his operation dryland in 2001.

"It's hard to cash flow when costs are up by \$100 per acre and yields are down by 25 percent," he said. "In this environment, it's hard to justify expenditure for technology unless there's a

pretty good guarantee of improvement to the bottom line."

He described how narrow-row cotton has resulted in both yield and quality increases for growers in his short-season production area.

Narrow-row cotton has led to increased water efficiency, better weed control from increased shading, and fuel efficiency from decreased trips across the field, he said.

He also shared his wish list for future technologies: cotton varieties with more drought tolerance, seed treatment to control early-season pests, RoundUp Ready that can be sprayed later in the season, Bt cotton that will control beet armyworms as well as bollworms, a better narrow-row cotton stripper and "all the above at affordable prices."

Annual Girl Scout cookie sale gets under way in Muleshoe

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Area Girl Scouts began their annual rounds selling cookies Saturday, and local Scouts and their leaders will be visiting businesses and residences over the next several days to serve their customers.

This year's cookie drive was kicked off at the JC Penney store at South Plains Mall in Lubbock. The girls learned about marketing and selling techniques, goal planning, customer service, money management and financial tracking. They also played games and provided cookie samples to the public.

In addition to seven holdover favorites, this year Girl Scouts will be selling a new type of cookie — Aloha Chips with Macadamia Nuts.

In addition to macadamia nuts, the cookies contain chips of white fudge.

The returning cookies are Thin Mint, Original Samoa, Tagalong, Do-Si-Do, Trefoil Shortbread, Apple Cinnamon and Lemon Drops.

The cost is \$3 a box, and orders can be given to any Brownie, Cadet or Senior Girl Scout or to a leader. Sales will continue through March 4.

Girl Scouts have been selling cookies since soon after the organization began in 1912. Originally, the shortbread cookies were baked at home by the Scouts and sold in neighborhood bake sales.

Nelda Merriott, longtime Muleshoe Scout leader, said Thursday that the cookies remain Girl Scouts' main fund-raiser. The money helps

buy supplies and uniforms, with much of the local money going to Caprock Council to help troops in need.

Local leaders involved in the cookie campaign mainly will be Sherry Reeves, Annette Scheller, Pam Martínez and Letty Guerrero, Merriott said.

For the first time in nearly a decade, Girl Scout cookie boxes have a whole new look. Emphasizing the investment consumers make in a girl's future by buying the cookies, each box includes the statement:

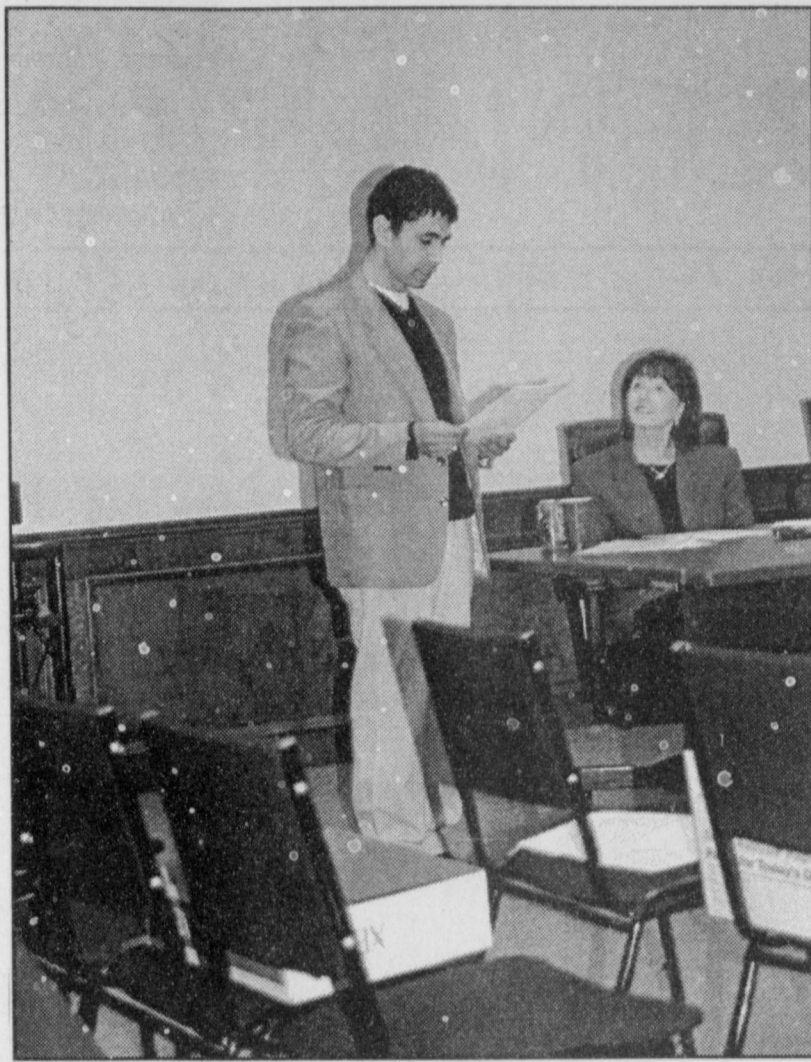
"You'd be surprised what a Girl Scout Cookie can build: Strong Values, Strong Minds, Strong Bodies, Strong Spirit, Strong Friendships, Strong Skills, Strong Leadership, Strong Community."



Journal photo: Beatrice Morin

Old Pete leaves town

The National Mule Memorial, more familiarly known as Old Pete, gets prepared to leave Muleshoe for Lubbock on the first leg of his trip to Washington, D.C., for President-elect Bush's inaugural festivities. Participating are (from left) Magann Rennels, Richard Toscano, Juan Flores, Julio Ortega, Jesse Carrión and Ramón Sánchez. A comparatively large group of Muleshoe residents also will be in the capital for the Jan. 19 inauguration balls.



Journal photo: Ronn Smith

School board recognized

Muleshoe Mayor Victor Leal proclaims January as School Board Recognition Month during Tuesday's meeting of the Muleshoe School Board. Board member Cindy Purdy listens.

A&M helps program for military families

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL COLLEGE STATION — Operation R.E.A.D.Y. — Resources for Educating About Deployment and You — recently received a grant of almost \$400,000 from the Army Communication Service Program through the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center.

Nancy L. Granovsky, professor and Extension family economics specialist, heads the project at Texas A&M University. The Texas Agricultural Extension Service was contracted for training material for Operation R.E.A.D.Y.

This training material, which includes revisions and updates of information such as pre- and post-deployment training, Family Assistance Center

Training, and Family Readiness Handbook, will be used to assist military families whose soldiers are assigned duty away from home.

Granovsky said the program was started because of lessons learned after Desert Storm in the early 1990s. It prepares "soldiers as well as family members in the best possible way so that they can be successful" during the separation that deployment or mobilization brings.

It was, in fact, founded "at the top of the U.S. Army," Granovsky said, so that soldiers and their families would have some practical tools to deal with the separations that come with life in the military.

The program is operated in cooperation with the Califor-

AROUND MULESHOE

Cotton conferences scheduled

Cotton conferences have been scheduled for Jan 24 in Friona and Jan. 25 in Muleshoe.

The Muleshoe event will be the Llano Estacado Cotton Conference at the Bailey County Coliseum. Topics are to include water and irrigation management, crop production and management strategies, pest-control options, cotton varieties and ag laws and regulations.

Five continuing education units will be offered. More information is available by calling (806) 272-4584. The Friona event will be the North Plains Cotton Conference. Topics are to include risk management and marketing, an insect update, cotton varieties, ag laws and regulations, irrigation and boll-weevil eradication.

EMT class set for Muleshoe

Bailey County Emergency Medical Services will sponsor an ECA/EMT class starting Jan. 31 at the First Assembly of God. Class times will be 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. Everyone taking the class must be CPR-certified before starting class. A CPR class is scheduled for 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Jan. 17-18, also at the church.

Anyone interested should contact Christopher Thompson at 272-4390 to be scheduled.

Public calendar

Jan. 16 — 8:30 a.m. Muleshoe City Council, in council chambers at city hall.

The deadline for items to appear in *Around Muleshoe* is 5 p.m. Monday for Thursday's editions and 5 p.m. Thursday for Sunday's editions.

nia Cooperative Extension at the University of California at Riverside. A second grant there will be used to update video to go with the material produced by the Extension service, Granovsky said.

Operation R.E.A.D.Y. was designed to prepare military families "for all kinds of contingencies," she said, including financial considerations, child care, support networks and even post-deployment issues the families may face when the soldiers come home.

The program is for any military family, Granovsky said, "whether they are living on-post or off-post; soldiers who may be single parents; couples with no children" or any other kind of family circumstance.

The material is used by the

U.S. Army all over the world, she said, including reserve units and the National Guard. In Texas, it is ongoing at Fort Bliss in El Paso and Fort Hood in Killeen.

Donna Martin, military program director who works with Extension programs at both, said about 50,000 families are involved with deployments at those installations, about 20,000 at Fort Bliss and about 30,000 at Fort Hood.

Because soldiers face deployment "at all times" at those military installations, "these classes (Operation R.E.A.D.Y.) go on regularly, for family readiness as well as unit (readiness)," she said.

Deployments vary in length and may last for a month or as much as a year, Martin said.

Ag Expo to feature two horse-behavior specialists

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL PORTALES — Next month's New Mexico Ag Expo will feature James and Lynda McCall, equine behaviorists from Mount Holly, Ark.

The event is scheduled for Feb. 27-28 at the Roosevelt County Fairground. The McCall demonstrations are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. (Mountain time) and 2 p.m. Feb. 27 and are free to the public.

The McCalls are familiar with a variety of problem behavior in horses. Dr. James McCall has 30 years of experience in the horse industry. Together they have worked to provide answers to frustrated horse owners through seminars, demonstrations and columns in such magazines as *Quarter Horse Journal*, *Western Horseman*, *Horse and Rider*, *The Paint Horse Journal* and *The Thoroughbred Times*.

According to James McCall, bad behavior in horses can be anything from mildly irritating to extremely dangerous. All too often, a horse seems to try to avoid doing what a person wants him to do. The McCalls will give solutions to such problems as running away, rearing, spooking, disobedience and others.

The McCalls try to interpret horse behavior from the horse's

point of view. They claim they know how to "speak horse," and their primary approach to correcting bad behavior is to show the horse love and respect.

James McCall has taught at Texas A&M University, the University of Maryland and Louisiana Tech University. The McCalls also have written a book, *Horse Behavin' Badly*, in which they attempt to teach people to first understand the reasons behind the horse's bad

behavior. James McCall also has appeared in videos explaining his "tackless training" method. The couple operates Equine Specialists, a multi-media horse consulting and writing business.

Other features at the New Mexico Ag Expo are scheduled to include horseshoeing demonstrations and demonstrations in using ultrasound in animal operations, both sponsored by Mesa Technical Insti-

tute of Tucumcari, N.M.

Scheduled seminars include "Mega Trends in Agriculture," "Beef Production," "Producing Replacement Dairy Heifers" and others.

More than 400 exhibitors representing farm, ranch and dairy sales and service companies are expected to attend the ninth annual New Mexico Ag Expo.

More information is available by calling (800) 635-8036 or (505) 356-8541, or by visiting the Internet at chamber@portales.com.

Mammogram clinics scheduled

Mammograms are scheduled to be available at several area sites during the next four weeks.

Amarillo's Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has scheduled mobile mammography clinics at the following times if a minimum of 15 women sign up for examinations:

- Jan. 16 — South Plains Health Providers, 208 W. Sec-

ond St., Muleshoe;

- Jan. 22 — Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Ave., Friona; and
- Feb. 5 — Muleshoe Area Medical Center, 708 S. First.

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As 2001 Dawns, We Face Joys, Sorrows, and a Real Choice

A mother sits in the bed holding her sleeping newborn infant. She looks down at him in love and wonder, and in awe at such an amazing miracle of God. And she wonders. She wonders who he will be and what he will become. She wonders about his joys and his sorrows. She wonders about the shape of this little one's life journey.

Mary sits holding her sleeping newborn infant. She looks down at him in love and wonder, and in awe

see the little one whose coming we had longed for, this little sleeping answer to our prayers brings more questions than answers. We thank God for what is, that the great I AM has called into being one more little human being, one more wonder. But we wonder what will come.

And what is true of our little ones, and what was true even of Mary's little One, is true of this new year, this new decade, century, millennium, this new moment in time on whose verge we stand right now. It's true of 2001.

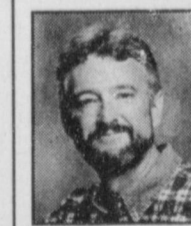
2001. The writer and the movie-maker called it a "space odyssey." It is indeed an odyssey, a journey, and, by its very nature, an adventure. It's an adventure because life itself is an adventure. We don't know what it may hold.

2001 will hold for each of us some wonderful and surprising joys. It will also hold some deep sorrows. Such is the patchwork of life. But I hope we face it all with a faith-born depth of peace and joy that only comes from knowing and trusting the Author of life and living in his presence.

Writer Kenneth Wilson tells of living as a small boy in a big, old, dark, multi-story, creaking and rattling house in Pittsburgh. At night the old dwelling could be a scary place. One evening his father read him a bedtime story and then asked, "Would you rather I leave the light on and go downstairs, or turn the light out and stay with you for awhile?" Wilson says, "I chose presence with darkness, over absence with light."

It was a good choice. In the face of an unknown future which sometimes seems dark because we see with weak and human eyes, choose to trust God and live in his presence.

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



Focus On Faith
Curtis Shelburne

at such an amazing miracle of God. He is the most amazing child ever born and his is the most amazing birth. The angel has told her who he is and has given her his name, but Mary still wonders at all the angel has not said. She wonders who this little miracle called the Son of God will be and what in God's miraculous power he will become. She wonders about his joys and his sorrows. She wonders about the shape of this little one's life journey. This little One who flung the stars across the canvas of the universe. This little One, this Almighty One, who has chosen to become small and weak to make us strong.

And so even Mary, the mother of God, once joins mothers in all times and in all places, and the rest of us as well, as we gaze at the known and we wonder about the unknown. As new parents, we hold the little answers to a nine-month-long question in our hands, and the reality dawns on us that, though now we

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Birdhouse winner

Betty Glaze of Muleshoe shows off the decorated birdhouse she won during the Christmas arts and crafts bazaar at the Bailey County Coliseum. The birdhouse came from the booth of Charles and Dolores Harvey, also of Muleshoe.

JV Lady Mules dunk Cooper Lady Pirates 57-29

By DELTON WILHITE
Journal correspondent

The JV Lady Mules used their patented full-court pressure defense Tuesday night to defeat Lubbock Cooper's Lady Pirates 57-29.

The defense took away the Lady Pirates' plans for any type of offensive attack. Muleshoe converted turnovers to points to dominate the game.

Cooper controlled the opening tip and scored, but were able to add only three more points in the opening period. Muleshoe's Megan Barrett made two threes in the first minutes of the game, and Tiffany Flores drove the base line like it was the road home to give the Lady Mules an 18-5 first-period advantage.

The pressure defense con-

Lady Mules take second district win

By DELTON WILHITE
Journal correspondent

A win on the road is always a welcome event for a coach, a team and the fans that follow them, and the team effort that vaulted the Lady Mules over Lubbock Cooper 62-55 Tuesday was especially satisfying.

Megan Tipps was the Lady Mules' leading scorer with 18, followed by Britni Gartin and Myndi Heathington with 11 each.

Coach Shana Simms' game plan called for the Lady Mules to "run, run, run and run some more," and it worked well in the first quarter as Muleshoe ran to a 14-8 lead.

The "in-your-face" defense played by the Lady Mules was called for 12 fouls in the first half — 10 in the second period. The whistles slowed the pace of the game and gave the Lady Pirates scoring opportunities from the free-throw line.

The Lady Pirates converted those opportunities to points, taking a 28-26 lead by halftime.

The Lady Mules returned to the floor after halftime with fire in their eyes. Tipps tied the game on a feed from Heathington with only 15 ticks gone on the clock. Muleshoe did not let the ball cross center court for almost two minutes, and did not allow Cooper a bucket until only 3:11 remained in the third period. By then, Muleshoe had added 13 points and owned a 39-28 advantage.

But the Lady Pirates did not quit, and scored the last nine points of the quarter to cut Muleshoe's lead to four points.

The Lady Mule defense regrouped during the quarter break, and kept Cooper scoreless in the fourth period until only four minutes were left in the game.

By then, the Lady Mules had pushed their lead to 51-43. In the final two minutes, Muleshoe spread the floor to drain the clock and force Cooper to foul, stopping the clock. The Lady Mules made 11 of 14 from the charity stripe in the final two minutes to

claim their second district game.

Also scoring for Muleshoe were Mindy Locker, nine points; Jessica Carpenter, six; Candace Hutto, four; and Shani Rasco, three.

The Lady Mules committed only 12 turnovers, had 10 steals (Gartin five), grabbed 25 rebounds (Locker nine, Tipps six), made 16 of 29 free throws and were called for 21 fouls.

The Lady Mules are now 2-0 in district competition. They were scheduled to meet the Littlefield Lady Wildcats (2-0) Friday night in the Muleshoe competition gym.

continued to devastate Cooper, with the Lady Mule offense adding 10 points in the second quarter and outscoring the Lady Pirates 11-9 in the third and 18-13 in the final stanza.

The Lady Mules have a very balanced offense, and every player can score. They are 2-0 in district play.

Flores led the scoring against Cooper with 13. Jodi

Hawkins made 10, Sara Sheets had eight, Johnna Cleavinger and Kylie Henderson had seven each, and Barrett and Eva Pylant contributed six each.

Hawkins stepped up with six of her 10 in the third quarter, Henderson scored all hers in the final quarter, and Sheets put points on the board in each frame.

NURSING HOME NEWS

Melvin and Wanda Kittrell will host the January birthday party Jan. 25 at 3 p.m. The public is invited.

Webb Watts' family took him out to lunch for his birthday Wednesday.

Lewis Scoggins visited Guy Kendall last week.

J.C. Shanks is visited several times a week by his son and daughter-in-law, Gerald and Lula Maye Shanks.

Roma Davis was visited by her daughter, Jane Reeder, Wednesday morning.

The center's e-mail address is Resident@Fivearea.com.

Thursday morning, Glenn Williams and Joline Franklin directed the devotional.

Aline Locke, Winnie Orcutt, Nan Gatlin, Nettie Quesenberry, Minnie Underdown, Elzie Darland, Rosie Martin, Grace Scarbrough and Bootie Tiller painted ceramics Thursday morning.

Friday afternoon, Harold and Avis Carpenter came to play the piano, sing and entertain residents.

Buster Kittrell cut the men's hair and gave shaves Saturday morning.

Harold and Mary Jo Burge and Melvin and Wanda Griffin directed the bingo bonanza Saturday afternoon.

Aline Locke was visited by her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Locke, last week.

Muriel Lewis was visited by her son, Ronald Lewis, during the Christmas holidays.

Anyone who would like to host a birthday party or seasonal party, give manicures, or who has a special collection or hobby to show, please contact Joy Stancell at 272-7578.

Tuesday afternoon, Beverly Wagon, Claudine Embry, Dorothy Turner, Pat Watson, Mary Jo Burge and the activity department (Carrie Morris and Francis

Ramos) shampooed and set the ladies' hair.

Wednesday morning, Harold and Mary Jo Burge and Buster and Wanda Kittrell served coffee, juice and doughnuts to the residents. Harold Burge read wise words and humor to entertain those attending.

Loyce Killingsworth and

Buster Kittrell directed the singspiration time. The guest speaker was the interim administrator, Bill Saxton.

Nancy Kidd came Tuesday afternoon and did manicures.

Glenda Jennings directed the sing-along Wednesday afternoon and brought Billy Bob the puppet to entertain us.

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“...AND THE LORD HARDENED PHARAOH'S HEART!”
 IT HAS BEEN SAID MANY TIMES, “THE LORD WORKS IN MYSTERIOUS WAYS, HIS WONDERS TO PERFORM.” WITHOUT A DOUBT, ONE OF THESE INSTANCES HAS TO BE THE EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE DEPARTURE OF THE HEBREWS FROM EGYPT UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF MOSES, ALTHOUGH MOSES, AT THE LORD'S INSTIGATION, PERFORMED MIRACLES BEFORE PHARAOH'S EYES, THE BIBLE TELLS US, OVER AND OVER AGAIN, “...AND THE LORD HARDENED PHARAOH'S HEART...” (EX. 9:12) SO THAT PHARAOH WOULD NOT BELIEVE WHAT HIS EYES BEHELD! UNTIL THE VERY DAY OF THE EXODUS WHEN THE HEBREWS WERE WELL ON THEIR WAY TO THE RED SEA...

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Three Way boys beat Lazbuddie in OT nail-biter

Three players in double figures led the Three Way Eagles over Lazbuddie 48-45 in overtime Tuesday at Three Way.

The win put Three Way at 2-0 in district play.

The Eagles got off to a slow start, trailing 9-4 at the end of the first quarter and still slightly behind at halftime, 20-18.

Anthony Furgeson (14), Robert Rodríguez (13) and Michael Soliz (13) led Three Way scoring, backed up by Carlos Contreras with eight.

Furgeson shared game-high honors with Jake Loudder of Lazbuddie.

Sterling Via, Lucas DeLeón and Aaron Marks each contributed seven for Lazbuddie, while Moi García and Cole St. Clair bucketed five apiece.

Rodríguez and Soliz each had a pair of three-pointers for the Eagles, while Marks, Via and García had one apiece for Lazbuddie.

"This was an overtime game against a taller team," Three Way coach Royce Winnett said. "We failed to put them away and let them stay in the game with us."

He praised the team's balanced scoring effort.

Three Way 46

Cotton Center 41

The Three Way Eagles opened district play Jan. 5 with a 46-41 win over Cotton Center.

Coach Royce Winnett said the win over one of the district's best teams was big for the Eagles.

"This was a good turnaround for our team because Cotton Center had beaten us by 27 points in the Highway 271 Tournament," he said. "This was a very exciting game on both sides."

Game-high scoring honors were shared by the Eagles' Michael Soliz and the Elks' Christopher Ashby, who bucketed 16 apiece. Robert Rodríguez dropped in 13 for Three Way, followed by Anthony Furgeson with eight and Carlos Contreras and Jordan Gray with four each.

—Submitted by The Sports Babes



Holiday winners

Cathy Gowing poses with 5-year-old Antonio Zubia (left) and 6-year-old Marissa Olivas. The children were winners of a scooter and a Barbie doll, respectively, in United Supermarket's Dec. 22 Christmas drawing. Gowing is the store's non-food manager.



Lazbuddie girls top Three Way 47-32

The Lazbuddie Lady Longhorns rode a 19-point performance by Laura Jo Via to victory over the Three Way Lady Eagles on Tuesday at Three Way. The final score was 47-32.

Shonnah Black tossed in 11 for Lazbuddie and Julie Salamanca had 11 for Three Way.

The Lady Longhorns jumped to a 15-5 first-quarter lead and led 24-11 at halftime. Three Way outscored Lazbuddie 10-8 in the third quarter, but never really threatened.

Other scorers were (for Lazbuddie) Savannah Black with seven, Kelsey Jones with five, Shawndee Nichols with three, Mayra Hernández with two; and (for Three Way) Cynthia Baeza with eight, Alma Rodríguez with seven, Kara Heinrich with four and Candace Quick with two.

Salamanca had three three-pointers and Baeza two for Three Way; Savannah Black had one for Lazbuddie.

—Submitted by The Sports Babes

HOSPITAL NEWS

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reports the following patient load:

Jan. 5 — Ethel Ayres, Rodger Buhman, Clara Castorena, Lupe Castorena, Linzy Gonzales, Pauline Guinn, Leon Meeks, Christian Pollard, Carlos Saenz and Layne Sheets.

Jan. 6 — None reported.

Jan. 7 — None reported.

Jan. 8 — Ethel Ayres, Joyce Coffman, Miguel F. García, Terry Garza, Pauline Guinn, Dustin W. Lennon, Kaylee Long, Lone Meeks, Gloria Olveda, Pedro Pacheco, Alma Pierson, Martina G. Regalado, Fermín Rosas, Geneva Rubio, Grace Scarbrough, Leslie B.

Simental, Helen V. Tinskey, María D. Toscano, John Vaughn and Benito Villa.

Jan. 9 — Darla K. Armstrong, Ethel Ayres, Joyce Coffman, María D. Cuevas, Pauline Guinn, Dustin W. Lennon, Kaylee Long, Minerva A. Martínez, Leon Meeks, Gloria Olveda, Pedro Pacheco, Martina G. Regalado, Baby Girl Regalado, Manuela Rejino, Fermín Rosas, Grace Scarbrough, Leslie B. Simental, Helen V. Tinskey, María D. Toscano and John Vaughn.

Jan. 10 — Ethel Ayres, Joyce Coffman, María D. Cuevas, Derick Gibbins,

Manuel Gómez, Pauline Guinn, Dustin W. Lennon, Minerva A. Martínez, Gloria Olveda, Martina G. Regalado, Baby Girl Regalado, Manuela Rejino, Fermín Rosas, Helen V. Tinskey and María D. Toscano.

HERITAGE FOUNDATION NEWS

The Muleshoe Heritage Foundation board met Jan. 8 at the Muleshoe Depot.

President Wells Hall conducted the business meeting, and minutes presented by the secretary, Walter Marie Boness, were read and approved.

Larry Nickels reported that the center windmill wheel that was being repaired is ready to be picked up.

It was reported that Bill Moore is now prepared to begin repairs on the memorial signs at the Heritage Center and that Jim Allison has volunteered to help with this project. Members agreed that this would be a great improvement.

A discussion was held about the old-fashioned Christmas open house held the first two Saturdays of December in conjunction with the parade and bazaar.

Board members discussed ways to make this event better next year with more of the community participating. Other activities which possibly can be held at the Center the coming year were discussed. It was noted that the annual "Tour de Muleshoe" bike ride will be held in June rather than the Labor Day weekend this year. A date will soon be set for this

and advertising will begin. It was noted that several sponsors have already been obtained for this activity. Members discussed and decided to have an Antique Day on Saturday, September 1 this year to replace the bike ride. The president told members to brainstorm the antique show idea and to report back at the next meeting in February.

Vivian White, manager of the Heritage Thrift Shop, reported that the Thrift Shop had its best year ever. Funds from the Thrift Shop are used for the

day-to-day expenses at the Heritage Center. She also reported that volunteers at the Thrift Shop were given a bonus this year from the Heritage funds and were greatly appreciated by the volunteers.

Board members attending this January board meeting were: President Well Hall, secretary Walter Marie Boness, Vivian White, Chuck Smith, R.D. (Tub) Angeley, Jack Hicks, Magann Rennels, Jean Allison (publicity chairperson), Charles Flowers, Larry Nickels and Dan Throckmorton.

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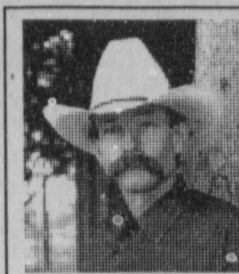
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BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

There's a lot to be said for stubbornness. I have a tendency to be attracted to zealots, fanatics and opinionated people — curiosity maybe, but with some admiration.

Even if I disagree completely with their cause, I know where they stand. Pure belief, black and white, uncompromising principles.

Winston Churchill, Ralph Nader, Charlton Heston, Alan Keyes, Joan Baez . . . these are not slippery people. They might be slick, but not slippery. That may have been part of the ap-

peal of presidential candidates Bradley and McCain. That and the longing of the electorate to have a grownup for president.

Now of course, this narrow-mindedness makes most people nervous. We have been weaned, raised and educated on compromise and tolerance, and publicly taught to turn the other cheek. To get along with our playmates.

It is the way of the world. It is democracy, the United Nations, players vs. owners arbitration, cats and dogs in the same house, and sheepmen vs. cattlemen.

The world preaches modera-

tion, no rough edges, no eddies in current, live and let live. A vanilla world without Tabasco, hot fudge, Bob Dylan or Jerry Falwell.

Then suddenly from the primordial pabulum rises somebody who says, "I ain't buyin' into Beanie Babies, HMOs and

BIRTHS

VILLA
Woody and Sharon Villa of Muleshoe are the parents of a son, Ethan Koby Lee Villa, born at 8:09 a.m. Jan. 9 at Lamb Healthcare Center in Littlefield. He weighed 5 pounds, 5

chasin' cows on a four-wheeler!"

Well, these purists often get mowed over, ground down or hoisted on their own righteous petard. But they certainly roil the water for awhile and make us re-examine our comfortable apathy for a time.

And sometimes, in rare cases, they alter the course of things for years to come — like FDR, Martin Luther King, Ronald Reagan or Joan of Arc. They rolled into the stream like the Rock of Gibraltar and changed the world.

ounces, and was 18 3/4 inches long.

The couple has one other child, Tre.

Grandparents are Camilo and Belia Villa and Robert and Ann Johnson.

SCHOOL MENUS

MULESHOE JR./SR. HIGH

Jan. 15
No school.

Jan. 16
Breakfast — Cinnamon toast, French-toast sticks, assorted cereal with toast, juice and milk.

Lunch — Chili-cheese dog, baked potato with roll, barbecue rib sandwich, french fries, tossed salad, Rice Krispy treats, assorted juice and milk variety.

Jan. 17
Breakfast — Sausage biscuit, pancakes, assorted cereal with toast, juice and milk.

Lunch — Toasted cheese sandwich, chef salad, super sack lunch (turkey), potato puffs, broccoli, brownies, assorted juice and milk variety.

Jan. 18
Breakfast — Breakfast pizza, French-toast sticks, assorted cereal with toast, juice and milk.

Lunch — Sloppy joes, super sack lunch (ham), cheeseburger, french fries, green beans, corn, apple slices, assorted juice and milk variety.

Jan. 19
No school.

MULESHOE ELEMENTARIES

Jan. 15
No school.

Jan. 16
Breakfast — Blueberry muffin, French-toast sticks, pancakes, assorted cereal with toast, juice and milk.

Lunch — Chicken nuggets with roll, chef salad, peanut-butter and jelly sandwich, mashed potatoes, green beans, Rice Krispy treats, assorted juice and milk variety.

Jan. 17
Breakfast — Sausage biscuit, French-toast sticks, pancakes, assorted cereal with toast, juice and milk.

Lunch — Corn dog, chef salad, peanut-butter and jelly sandwich, potato puffs, green beans, pears, assorted juice and milk variety.

Jan. 18
Breakfast — Breakfast pizza, French-toast sticks, pancakes, assorted cereal with toast, juice and milk.

Lunch — Lasagna, rolls, baked potato with roll, peanut-butter and jelly sandwich, peas and carrots, chef salad, chocolate cake, assorted juice and milk variety.

Jan. 19
No school.

LAZBUDDIE

Jan. 15
Lunch — Chicken and rice, submarine sandwiches, pizza (Pre-k-1), green beans, sweet potatoes, carrots, applesauce,

salad, Jell-O, cottage cheese, yogurt and milk.

Jan. 16
Lunch — Fish (Pre-k-1), tuna sandwich, burritos, black-eyed peas, fries, pears, salad, Jell-O, cottage cheese, yogurt and milk.

Jan. 17
Lunch — Tamales (school wide), beans, rice, hominy casserole, pineapple, salad, Jell-O,

PUBLIC RECORD

MULESHOE POLICE

Dec. 31
José Ernesto Villarreal, 28, no driver's license, failure to provide identification; immigration hold.

Jan. 6
Frank Maestas, 38, abuse of 911 calls.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Jan. 2
José Abraham Soto, aka Jesús Jiménez Balbino, 19, tampering with government documents; immigration hold.

Jan. 5
Ruben Rubio, 29, possession of marijuana under 2 ounces.

Andrew Mike Martínez, 28, possession of marijuana under 2 ounces.

Laura F. Hardin, 20, possession of marijuana under 2 ounces.

STATE POLICE

Dec. 31
Julio Cesar Reyes, 21, warrant for criminal mischief — grand jury indictment.

Joe Reyes, 24, warrant for criminal mischief — grand jury indictment.

Armando Davila, 50, motion to revoke probation on a DWI.

Jan. 6
Irma Jean Smith, 41, warrant for theft by check.

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OBITUARIES

GLADYS McCORD

Services were held Saturday in the First Baptist Church of Earth for Gladys McCord, 83, of Tucson. The Rev. David Hartman officiated. Burial was in Earth Memorial Cemetery.

Mrs. McCord was born June 25, 1917, in Haskell County, Texas. She died Jan. 7 in Tucson.

She was a graduate of West Texas State University and married J.E. "Pat" McCord on June 8, 1938, in Earth. She had been a fourth-grade teacher in Springlake-Earth schools for 30 years and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Earth.

She is survived by her husband; two daughters, Dr. Jane Pirosh of Seal Beach, Calif., and Jill Hamilton of Hereford, Ariz., and three brothers, Weldon Barton and Artis Barton, both of Earth, and Melvin Barton of Anson, Texas; three grandchildren, Justin Shobe, Heather Hamilton and Rachel Hamilton; and one great-granddaughter, Abby Shobe.

BECKY KEITH

Services were held Jan. 4 at the First Baptist Church of Devine, Texas, for Rebecca Ann "Becky" Keith, 53, of Lytle, Texas. Burial was in Sweet Memories Cemetery in Lytle.

Mrs. Keith was born June 25, 1947, in Stanton. She died Jan. 2 at Baptist Hospice House in San Antonio.

She moved to Bailey County with her family in 1950 and graduated from Muleshoe High School. She attended Lubbock Christian College and Texas Tech University, and married Woody Keith in Lubbock in 1967.

She and her husband ran a business before their retirement. She was a member of the First Baptist churches of both Devine and Lytle, serving as the children's Sunday school superintendent.

Mrs. Keith is survived by her husband; two sons; three daughters; her mother, Ann Camp of Muleshoe; four sisters; one brother; and one grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her father, Bernis Camp, in 1995.

Her brother and brothers-in-law served as pallbearers.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

JEAN MILLER

Services were held Saturday at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel for Jean Miller, 70, of Muleshoe. Cecil Bunch officiated. Burial was in Bailey County Cemetery.

Mrs. Miller was born July 17, 1930, in Bogata, Texas. She died Wednesday in Bender Terrace Nursing Home at Lubbock.

She married Herbert N. Miller in Hugo, Okla., on June 22, 1946, and moved to Muleshoe in 1976 from Clovis. Her husband died June 24, 1998.

She was a homemaker and a member of the West 21st Street Church of Christ in Clovis.

Mrs. Miller is survived by two sons and daughters-in-laws, Ron and Janie Miller of Miami, Fla., and Mike and Lynda Miller of The Woodlands, Texas; three granddaughters, Lindsey Miller, Kimberly Miller and Star Rothrock; and two great-granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by a son, Kim Wayne Miller, in 1982.

The family suggests memorials to the Smithlawn Home (P.O. Box 6451, Lubbock 79493).

JACKIE CLIFT

Services were held Saturday at Memory Gardens Mausoleum Chapel in Amarillo for Jackie Kay Clift, 59, of Amarillo. Dr. G.A. Roach officiated. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors of Amarillo handled arrangements.

She was born in Muleshoe. She died Friday in Amarillo.

She acquired a GED and had lived in Amarillo for six years. She attended the Church of the Nazarene.

She is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Dusty and Tina Clift of Amarillo and Shannon and Tracy Clift of Laredo; seven grandchildren, Mario Wayne Martínez, Jennifer Martínez, Dusty Allen Clift, Brandi Clift, Stephanie Clift, Samantha Clift and Hunter Clift; two great-grandchildren, Mario Junior Martínez and Nicole Kay Martínez.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Cindy Martínez.

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As many of you know I have spent the past year recovering from a recent illness. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my friends and family for all their prayers, cards, phone calls, food, and flowers. I especially would like to thank the staff at DeShazo Elementary and Watson Jr. High for their kindness during this difficult time. Words cannot express the love I feel for each and every one of you. I feel very blessed to live in a community with such great people. May God Bless each and every one of you.

*Thank you for being there for us,
Love, Rachel Lopez & family*

Anne Camp and her family want to express their appreciation for all the thoughts and prayers, the cards and calls, the beautiful flowers and memorials given in memory of our precious Becky. We lost her on January 2, 2001—but she will remain in our hearts forever.

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65th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

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The celebration will be held at the Sudan Community Center on Saturday, January 20th from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.
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January 14, 2001

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Muleshoe I.S.D. Athletics is now taking bids for track equipment and football equipment. Contact David Wood at 272-7308.

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COMPUTER INTERNET PEOPLE wanted to work online. \$125-\$175 per hour potential. Full training! 49 countries! Free e-book. www.e-cashcentral.com.

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Contact LeRoy Wilson, 805-266-5576 Fax 266-8841

HELP WANTED: Bailey County Electric Cooperative is accepting applications for Lineman or Lineman Trainee. Applications will be completed at the Muleshoe office at 305 E. Ave. B. Must be available 24 hours a day. All interviews will be conducted after the closing date of January 19, 2001 at 5:00 p.m.
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• NICE 3-3-1 Brick, Cent. heat, evap. air, built-ins, fans, 2000+ lv. area, fenced yd., patio, stor. bldg.!! \$57.5K!! RH-1
JUST LISTED - NICE 3-2-3 Brick Home on corner lot, new paint, carpets, whirlpool tub, shower unit, & heat pump. Home also has built-ins, fireplace, fenced yd., Stor. Bldg. & MUCH MORE!!! \$79,900!! RH-2

HIGHLAND AREA

• 2-1-1 Carport, built-ins, wall furn. heat, win. evap., 5 fans, covered patio, fenced yd. \$25K!! HL-4
• NICE 3-1-1 Brick, Cent. heat & evap. air, nice carpet, fans, 2 stor. bldgs., fenced yd., MORE!!! \$36.5K!! HL-1

LENAU - COUNTRY CLUB AREA

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• Nice Building with approximately 15,450 sq. ft. of shop area plus approx. 1,044 sq. ft. office (Dual Fuel Heat Pump for Office), 6 station phone system, restrooms (1 w/shower), loading dock, approx. 195 foot frontage. MORE!!!
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Bailey County Dryland - 2 Labs South of Muleshoe. Allotted. 150 Acres of growing wheat.
Bailey County - 320 Acres with Very Nice Brick Home. Large Barn. 2 Spinklers. 6 Wells.

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- Parmer County - 480 Acres on Pavement. 3 Pivot sprinklers. 2 Wells.
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- Northeast of Muleshoe - 195 Acres with center pivot. 2 wells. Lays good.
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- 280 Acres in Hub Area. Excellent soil, lays good. Excellent water. 2 Wells. Reasonably Priced.
- Castro County Lamb County Line, 600 Acres on Pavement. EXCELLENT WATER, 4 Wells. 3 Centerpivot sprinklers.
- Bailey County Dryland - 2 Labs South of Muleshoe. Allotted. 150 Acres of growing wheat.
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- 3-2 Home, corner lot, floor furnace heat, fenced yd. \$25K!! HS-10
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